Lenten Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			02/22 - Ash Wednesday Pray that you will be open to God during these 40 days of Lent.	02/23 Think of 3 specific ways you can bless others this Lenten season. Plan to do them.	02/24 Pray for OCC - Operation Christmas Child.	02/25 Prayer walk your neighborhood.
02/26 - 1st Sunday of Lent Start saving spare change to give to the Easter Offering.	02/27 Read Lamentations 3:22- 23 and think of examples of God's Faithfulness to you.	02/28 Do something nice for a sibling.	03/01 Visit <i>Grace In Store</i> and pray for this ministry.	03/02 Pray for homeless in your community.	03/03 Pray for CentrePointe Christian Counseling, especially those who come to Redland for counseling.	03/04 Make or buy a treat and share with a neighbor.
03/05 - 2nd Sunday of Lent Easter Offering Week of Prayer: Pray for missionary Kay Bennett in New Orleans, Louisiana	03/06 - Purim Easter Offering Week of Prayer: Pray for missionaries Vergil & Kelsey Brown in Portland, Oregon	03/07 Easter Offering Week of Prayer: Pray for missionary Sam & Joanna Choi in Minneapolis, Minnesota	03/08 Easter Offering Week of Prayer: Pray for missionaries Philip & Andi Coleman in Anchorage, Alaska	03/09 Easter Offering Week of Prayer: Pray for missionaries Emanuel & Ioana Grozea in Ridgewood, New York	03/10 Easter Offering Week of Prayer: Pray for missionaries Matt & Amanda Hadden in Porcupine, South Dakota	03/11 Easter Offering Week of Prayer: Pray for missionaries Matthew & Ruth Lahey in St. John's, Newfoundland
03/12 - 3rd Sunday of Lent Easter Offering Week of Prayer: Pray for missionaries Angel & Vanesa Viveros in Lincoln, Nebraska	03/13 Read John 15:4-5 and discuss ways to remain connected to Jesus.	03/14 Thank God for the beauty of His Creation - Draw a picture or write a poem.	03/15 Pray for American Heritage Girls Troop MD1212.	03/16 Give someone a compliment.	03/17 - St. Patrick's Day Pray for Mana Food Center and make a food donation.	03/18 Pray for classmates or coworkers and neighbors.

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03/19 - 4th Sunday of Lent Join a Grace Group or invite a fellow GG member to your house.	03/20 - Spring Begins Read John 13:1-17 and wash someone's feet.	03/21 Write a note of appreciation or thanks to someone.	03/22 Pray for the Shady Grove and Rockville Pregnancy Centers.	03/23 Invite a neighbor to Redland's Easter Egg Hunt and/or donate a bag of candy.	03/24 Pray for Kairos Prison Ministry.	03/25 - Maryland Day Do something nice for a teacher or pastor.
03/26 - 5th Sunday of Lent Discuss today's worship at lunch or supper.	03/27 Read Micah 6:8 and talk about what it means to <i>"act</i> <i>justly, love mercy,</i> <i>and walk humbly."</i>	03/28 Remember your baptism. Share your faith story with someone.	03/29 Donate nonperishable food items to <i>Grace In</i> <i>Store's Food</i> Pantry.	03/30 Invite someone to a Holy Week Service at Redland.	03/31 Pray for FCA - Fellowship of Christian Athletes.	04/01 - April Fool's Day If holding a grudge, offer forgiveness.
04/02 - Palm Sunday Give away something to someone.	04/03 Read about Good Friday in John 19:16 -37.	04/04 What are you most grateful for? Make a list, draw a picture.	04/05 - Passover begins Apologize for something you wish you did differently.	04/06 - Maundy Thursday Attend Maundy Thursday Worship at Redland at 7pm.	04/07 - Good Friday Thank God for the sacrifice of His Son Jesus. What does living a sacrificial life mean to you?	04/08 Meet someone new at Redland Easter Egg Hunt and invite them to church.
04/09 - Easter Sunday Celebrate the Resurrection at Redland! He is Risen! <i>He is</i> <i>Risen, Indeed!</i>	04/10 - Easter Monday Read about Jesus' Resurrection. Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20					