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**Easter Sunday Worship**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**April 17, 2022**

## Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of Our Lord

**Prayer Before Worship:** Living God, on this Easter Day we come together in joy, and in praise. The sorrow of these last days has passed, Jesus is risen and with us today, and forever. Help us to take strength from the truth of the resurrection. Help us to remember that though we each travel through our own times of trial, though the darkness may surround us, your light will always shine and new life is always possible. Amen.

*(In preparation for our worship together, you are invited to take a moment of silence to offer your own prayers of worship and praise.)*

**KEY:** ELW and any page number = Worship hymnal (cranberry),  
OSB = Other Song Book (red), W&P = Worship & Praise (purple).

\* Indicates please stand if able. Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** type.

**A Warm Welcome** to all as we gather as God's people to worship our Lord. We pray our worship together would strengthen your faith and desire to know and serve the One who loves us with an everlasting love as made known to us in Jesus Christ.

***Visitors,** if you are worshipping with us in person or online today,  
we are glad to have you with us.*

### Prelude Music

### Welcome and Announcements

## ✠WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS✠

### Call to Worship

Today is the day of resurrection!

**We will rejoice and be glad!**

Our sin has been forgiven.

**Death has been defeated.**

Light has overcome the darkness.

**The tomb is empty!**

Jesus Christ is risen today.

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

- 1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**
  
- 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!  
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**
  
- 3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!  
our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!  
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**
  
- 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!  
praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

**\*The Easter Greeting and Prayer of the Day**

The grace and the peace of the risen Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**\*Glory to God:**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**†GOD'S WORD SPEAKS TO US†**

**First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-8**

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

<sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

<sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;  
God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>**Let Israel now declare,  
"God's mercy endures forever."**

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:  
"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"**

<sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup>**I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed punished me sorely,  
but did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup>**Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the LORD;  
here the righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup>**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and you have become my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>**By the LORD has this been done;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

<sup>24</sup>This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

## **Second Reading: John 6:25-35**

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Acclamation:**

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**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**\*Gospel: Luke 24:1-12**

*Response after the announcement of the gospel:*  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup>While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup>The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup>Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." <sup>8</sup>Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup>and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup>But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup>But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

*Response after the gospel reading:*  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Kids Sermon**

**Pastor Chris**

**Sermon:**

**Pastor Chris**

*(Silence for Reflection and Meditation.)*

**‡WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD‡**

**\*Hymn of the Day:**

**“The Day of Resurrection!”**

**ELW #361  
vv. 1&3**

**1. The day of resurrection!**

**Earth, tell it out abroad,  
the passover of gladness,  
the passover of God.  
From death to life eternal,  
from sin's dominion free,  
our Christ has brought us over  
with hymns of victory.**

**3. Now let the heav'ns be joyful,  
let earth its song begin,  
the round world keep high triumph  
and all that is therein.  
Let all things, seen and unseen,  
their notes of gladness blend;  
for Christ the Lord has risen,  
our joy that has no end!**

**\*Profession of Faith: The Apostles Creed**

Christ is Risen!

**Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

Once you were no people, now you are God's people. Through our baptism into Jesus' death and resurrection we have become God's people.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God, the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

Do you renounce your old, dead life?

**Yes, for once we were dead in our sins, but now we are alive in Christ Jesus.**

Do you plan to continue living as one of God's children, proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection in all you say and do?

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me -- each and every day of my life.**

**\*Prayers of the Church:**

*Each petition ends with:*

Risen Lord....**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude with:*

...to the glory of our resurrected Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**\*Exchange of Peace**

The peace of the risen Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**"Mighty to Save"**

**Choir**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

Blessed are you, O God,

**Ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**‡HOLY COMMUNION‡**

*Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**\* Words of Institution**

*(The Words of Institution are spoken by the pastor ending with...)*

As we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!**

The stone is rolled away. Death could not hold Him.

**Set free from the power of death, we live in the joy of the resurrection.**

To you, O God, Father, ‡ Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever, and ever. Amen.**

**Invitation to Communion**

The risen Christ dwells with us here.

All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

## **Distribution of Communion:**

Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper with gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

**All are welcome and invited to receive Holy Communion.**

*(Communion will be served continuously at two stations in the front of the church.*

*WHITE GRAPE JUICE and GLUTEN FREE WAFERS are available. Just ask the server.*

*Children who are not yet communicants are invited to come forward for a blessing.)*

## **Distribution Music**

**Rhonda Boettcher**

### **\*Post-Communion Blessing**

### **\*Post-Communion Prayer**

Mighty and compassionate God, you have brought us over from death to life through your Son, our risen Savior, and you have fed us with the food of life in the sacrament of his body and blood. Send us from this place as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

**✠WE DEPART TO SERVE✠**

### **\*Benediction**

The God of life, who raised Jesus from the bonds of death, who sends forth the Spirit to renew the face of the earth, be merciful to you and ✠ bless you, now and forever. **Amen.**

***(Sunday School youth are invited to go to Sunday School during the singing of the closing hymn.)***

### **\*Sending Hymn:**

**“Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing”**

**ELW #389  
vv. 1,2&5**

**1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**

**2. Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
but saving, healing, here and now,  
and touching ev'ry place and time.**

**5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring  
good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring  
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.**

**\*Dismissal**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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**✠In Our Thoughts and Prayers✠**

*Prayers for healing:* **Shirlie Schuldies** (surgery-pacemaker), **Mary Jo Haack** (Becky Martin's mother), **Allie Meyers** (friend of Marissa Wright), **Mabel Dedlow** (recovering from hip surgery), **Andrew Miller**, **Jean Collins** (recovery from hip surgery), **Kathy Pickett** (cancer—Virginia Pickett's niece), **Marj Nikont** (healing & recovery), **Kathy Johnson** (back issues), **Mark** (Jean Collins & Kathy Johnson's cousin's husband), **Kathy Rahrs** (recovering from back surgery—Val Rahrs' mother), **LaDonna Schmidt** (chemotherapy), **Gloria Gorr** (health issues),.

*Prayers for comfort and peace for:* Family and friends of **Steve Kaufman** and **Greta Mehling**.

*Prayers for:* **B.J. Carr** (deployed to Poland—Dee Brady's son-in-law), the people of Ukraine, for peace and the end of war.

**Prayer Requests**



If you have a prayer request you would like added to the prayers of the people on Sunday morning, you may notify Christy in the church office during the week or during worship use the Attendance and Prayer Request card and pass them towards the center aisle to be picked up by the ushers (for those worshipping with us online you will find the form under the worship tab on our website and prayer requests will be added to the prayer list in the bulletin the following weekend.)

Thank you to everyone who provided an Easter lily for our sanctuary this Easter.



Virginia Pickett & Family  
**In memory of**  
**her brother Larry Stahla,**  
**her husband Lloyd Pickett,**  
**her parents Carl & Fern Stahla**  
**and her husband's parents Ernest & Effie Pickett**

Marv and Alice Braaten  
**In memory of**  
**Marv's parents Hans & Mabel Braaten, Marv's brother Glen Braaten,**  
**Alice's parents Sam & Betty Backer,**  
**and brother-in-law Don Stormoe.**

Jean Stormoe  
**In memory of**  
**her husband Don Stormoe**  
**and her parents Sam & Betty Backer.**

Pam Eskam  
**In memory of**  
**her husband Gary Eskam.**

Chris Thomas  
**In memory of**  
**sisters and brothers.**

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Pat Smith, 4/20; Dick Heidingsfelder, 4/20; Lindsey Singer, 4/20; Ron Wegelin, 4/22

*If we have missed your birthday, please let the office know. Thanks.*



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## APRIL FOOD DONATIONS REQUESTED

**FOOD PANTRY:** Pancake Mix

**BACKPACKS:** Mac 'n Cheese Bowls

Containers are located outside Fellowship Hall.

Thanks for your generosity.



## **CLCW APRIL MISSION PROJECT: CALVARY KITCHEN SHOWER**

A box will be placed in the Reception Area on the table under the CLCW bulletin board next to Pastor Chris's office to receive items needed for the kitchen. The

kitchen could use the following:

**paper towels, napkins, and cups.**

Cash donations are also welcome; be sure to clearly mark them 'Kitchen Shower' when sending to or dropping off at the church. Be sure to designate CLCW on the envelope.

## **JAM on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m.**

Our Wednesday evening youth group is for kids in kindergarten through 6th grade. We begin with dinner (chicken strips/mac 'n cheese) at 5:30 p.m. followed by storytelling, music, crafts, games, and lots of fun until 7 p.m. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Angie, Pastor Chris, or Pastor Sheryl at the church.



# CHILDREN'S Sunday School

**"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it"**

**Proverbs 22:6**

We believe that children are a precious gift from God. We invite your children to celebrate the love of Jesus Christ through Bible stories, songs, games, and crafts. every Sunday @ 11 a.m.



Come join us TODAY for our Easter Egg Hunt during Sunday School!

## Coffee and Fellowship

Coffee and fellowship has started back up. We would like to invite people to stay after worship for a time of fellowship. The coffee pot will be on, but if you would like to provide treats, please sign up on the sheet outside the office.

Do you like a treat with your coffee, but you would rather not bake or buy something? **Donate** to the treat fund by dropping dollars or coins in the mug and when no one signs up, there will be treats purchased to enjoy!



## Laundry Love

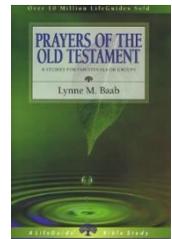
Calvary has partnered with St. Francis Episcopal Church and First Presbyterian Church to provide a monthly Laundry Love Event in our community. Calvary will host Laundry Love every 3rd month. In preparation for that day, we will need quarters as well as dryer sheets or softener.

Laundry detergent has already been donated. So, save your quarters and drop them in the Laundry Bottle outside the pastor's offices.



## **Prayers of the OLD Testament Tuesday Evening Study @ 7 p.m. (8-week study)**

Having just finished up a study on the prayers of the New Testament, we will now turn our attention to some of the "Prayers of the Old Testament." Join Pastors Sheryl and Chris as we study eight different prayers from the Old Testament (prayers from Moses, Hannah, Samuel, Solomon, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Jonah and Habakuk). You need not have attended the New Testament study to benefit from this new study. Everyone is welcome.



## WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastors Chris and Sheryl Kester Beyer

**This Sunday – April 17**

**USHERS:** Monty & Shari Copsey  
**LAY READER:** Chris Jensen  
**COMMUNION ASST:** Barb Jensen  
**POWERPOINT:** Angela Bonow  
**ACOLYTES:** Allie Baer & Clare Schlothauer  
**MEDIA:** Maunette Loeks-Van Patten  
**AUDIO:** Jack Martin  
**ALTAR GUILD:** Abby Newsom, Maunette Loeks-Van Patten, Barb Jensen, Nannie Walsh  
**ORGANIST:** Rhonda Boettcher  
**COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP:** Please Sign Up!

**Next Sunday – April 24**

**USHERS:** Deb Brown & Vicki Howell  
**LAY READER:** Marissa Wright  
**COMMUNION ASST:** Vicki Schmidt  
**POWERPOINT:** Shawna Payne  
**ACOLYTES:** Rhyan Buckley & Katie Hess  
**MEDIA:** Jeff Van Patten  
**AUDIO:** Val Rahrs  
**ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Brown, Vicki Howell, Tracy Steele, Shari Copsey  
**PIANIST:** Dee Brady  
**COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP:** Please Sign Up!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, April 17**

***Easter Sunday***

9 a.m. – Easter Breakfast  
10 a.m. – Worship  
11 a.m. – Children’s Sunday School & Easter Egg Hunt  
11 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, April 19**

8:30 a.m. – Men’s Study  
12 p.m. – Women’s Study  
1 p.m. – Quilting  
**NO** Pastor’s Bible Study

**Wednesday, April 20**

5:30 p.m. – JAM  
6 p.m. – Confirmation Rehearsal  
7 p.m. – Choir Practice

**Saturday, April 23**

5:30 p.m. – Worship

**Sunday, April 24**

***Confirmation Sunday***

9 a.m. – Confirmation Pictures  
10 a.m. – Worship  
11 a.m. – Children’s Sunday School  
11 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

APRIL 17, 2022  
EASTER SUNDAY



*The resurrected Jesus changes who we are.*

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 20:1-18	The resurrection of Jesus
Monday	Luke 24:1-12	Jesus is alive
Tuesday	Acts 10:34-43	Peter speaks of faith in Jesus
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 15:19-26	Confidence in the resurrection
Thursday	Ezekiel 36:24-36	The renewal of Israel
Friday	Romans 12:1-8	The new life in Christ
Saturday	Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24	The Lord is always merciful
Sunday	John 20:19-31	Seeing Christ's wounds

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). John 20:16 (NRSV)

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

God of power and might, give us joy in the good news of Jesus' victory over death that we may celebrate life in his name each and every day. Amen.

Meatime Prayer:

Christ is risen! Alleluia! For the power of resurrection to give life and for the gift of this food, we give you thanks through Christ Jesus our Lord. Alleluia! Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the words "Christ is risen" bring you joy, Alleluia!



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

Jesus Christ is  
Risen Today

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.



CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Our lives are influenced by those around us. How have others influenced who you are?
- How does believing in Jesus and his resurrection influence your life today?

DEVOTIONS

Read: John 20:1-18.

John's resurrection account brings together important themes from the Gospel. John 1 begins as a new creation story, imitating the language of Genesis 1. This new creation—born again—language is continued on the lips of Jesus in John 3:3-8. The empty tomb experience takes place in a garden where Mary thinks Jesus is the gardener. The setting reminds us of the origins of human life in the Garden of Eden. In John 1:39 Jesus invites the disciples to "Come and see" where Jesus is staying. After the resurrection, Mary says to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord." Mary's new birth as a follower of the resurrected Lord is seen in her recognition not only of Jesus but of her own identity and calling as a disciple. Jesus calls her by name and in that moment, she not only sees Jesus as her teacher, but her role as student and disciple. The resurrection for Mary is a very personal recognition of the resurrected Jesus and her new life as a disciple who has seen the Lord.

Discuss: How does the recognition of Jesus' resurrection impact your life of faith?  
Pray: Almighty God, help us to see in Jesus' resurrection, our calling as followers of the Lord and those who share love, hope, and good news with others. Amen

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you encourage someone with love and hope in Jesus' name?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

The word Easter means "spring." Easter ushers in new life. Plant an Easter Garden with colorful flowers like pansies, tulips, and petunias. If you buried or hid the word "Alleluia" on Transfiguration Sunday, display it in a visible place in your home during the Easter season or laminate it and place it on a stick in your Easter garden. As the garden grows during the fifty days of Easter, recall Mary in the garden with her Lord and remember that Jesus has given you a new identity as a follower of Jesus. When you look at your Easter Garden, say, Alleluia! Christ is risen.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: [www.milestonesministry.org](http://www.milestonesministry.org)