

March
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Dear Friends,

I can't quite believe we are in March already. The spring flowers are in full flow, showing us new life, hope and expectation. The days are getting longer, and we are lucky to be able to witness nature's joys around us.

In my childhood we always went on a walk every Sunday after lunch. It didn't matter the weather, if we had a cold and were feeling groggy, if we wanted to walk or not. It was always going to happen, it was a family tradition.

During those years there were times when I didn't feel like it, I would moan, groan and try to make excuses. But now, I look back and see that the walks were important, but not so much as the conversation was. I am grateful for the time that my parents actively engaged with me.

Taking an interest in somebody, taking time to listen, guide, joke with, and have fun, are probably the most important things we can do. It helps us stop focusing on our own priorities, and it helps the other person know they are important and worth spending time with. Relationships broaden our outlook and add depth to our faith.

So, as we look around us this spring, and think of memories that make us smile, may we be grateful for the colour that God has brought into our lives. The colourful people we know, or have known, the colours of nature, and the excitement of new life.

As we journey through Lent towards Easter, let us give God thanks for the new life that God has promised all of us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and the vitality that our faith brings to our lives and the lives of those around us.

With blessings

Elveen



SAMARITAN'S PURSE – Operation Christmas Child

As most of you know, in November each year, Chris and Bob Lyne co-ordinate the collection of shoeboxes to be sent to children overseas - 'Operation Christmas Child'.

Stratton Team Ministry sent many shoeboxes, I was wondering whether anyone else received an email as I did, on 30th January from the Samaritan's Purse.

'Discover the Destination of Your Shoebox'

Thank you for packing Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts in 2023! It's time to discover where your gifts were sent. Visit our new website via the link below to find out your shoebox destination(s).

[Follow Your Box](#)

If you packed more than one shoebox, you will see all of your scanned destination countries listed. If your shoeboxes all went to the same place, it will just display that country once.

It is really encouraging to read the following 'You are part of a global family that sent 11,330,126 shoebox gifts this season—including 237,735 from the UK! Thank you for your amazing partnership. Each shoebox gift brings so much joy, shows a child they are loved, and gives them an opportunity to hear the Gospel'

I clicked on the link 'Follow Your Box' and was taken to the Samaritan's Purse website and against a picture of the National flag of Belarus, the word **BELARUS**.

Then the words 'Thank you for bringing Good News and great joy to a child living in Belarus!'

By clicking on 'Read more' the following pages appear. The first page is of a little girl holding her Christmas box – her face is of sheer joy!

The details below were shown:

Many shoebox gifts packed in the UK are now bringing joy to children living in Belarus!

Location:

Eastern Europe, east of Poland

Population:

9,413,505 with 16% under the age of 15 (source – CIA The World Factbook)

We thank God for the thousands of children who have received shoeboxes here since Operation Christmas Child began outreach events. While we are not able to provide pictures or information on the specific child who received your individual shoebox, we hope you will be inspired by the photos and stories below.

There then appeared a group of 6 **'Children Receiving Shoebox Gifts In Belarus'**

I was so pleased to see this little boy as the box he is holding is one of the ones that I had sent. It was beautifully covered in Christmas paper by Bob Lyne, as I had difficulty covering the lid as well as the box – thank you Bob!





I recognised the items and it was so encouraging to see that a box from Stratton St. Margaret had been received in Belarus!

I wondered if anyone else had received an email and had recognised their box?

Please go to the Samaritan's Purse Website and take a look at the children's faces and see if you recognise any of the boxes for yourself.

Thank you Chris and Bob Lyne for enabling us to be involved with such a rewarding scheme.

June Lewis

TRY

Ask, Believe, Thanks.

If a man asks his father for a loaf of bread will he give him a stone? (Matt 7: 9-1)

Jesus said "Oh ye of little faith (Matt 16:8) and "Were not ten healed, where then are the other nine"? (Luke 17:15-20)

Tripod, Triceratops, Tricycle, Trimaran are all formed around the prefix "Tri". As Christians we are all familiar with that most important member of the "Tri" family. It is, of course, the "Holy Trinity".

I suggest that "Ask, Believe and Thanks" is an addition to the "Tri" family. We ask God for all manner of things; we know, not just believe that our requests will be heard. When we eventually receive what we need, then is it too much just to say, "Thank you"?

So, why not add another "Tri" to the list? Give it a TRY, it will repay you many times over.

Colin Howell



Update on Rehanging Bells and Tower work at St Margaret's Church.

As you will know the Bells were dismantled and removed by John Taylor and Co of Loughborough between January 8th and 12th this year and work has commenced to clean, retune, add new fittings and headstocks to the bells in readiness for rehanging after the internal work to the tower.

The work in the tower requires the removal of the Victorian chimney which was part of the previous heating system. This will give a better space in the ringing chamber to ring the bells. Once this is removed a Mezzanine floor will be installed so that the bells will be rung from the first floor of the tower and for access to this floor a staircase will be built.

The lower tower floor will then be cleared and a disabled toilet will be added and the electrics will be renewed. There will still be access to the gas boiler below the tower which provides warm air to the church. Further to this we will then install a kitchen and serving trolley to enable the serving of refreshments in Church.

You may wonder why it has taken time for work to start on the tower. E.W. Beards construction have been checking the services, water, electrics, wastewater and drainage to formulate a plan to create the addition of the new toilet and kitchen. Beards have also been selecting subcontractors to carry out the joinery and building work required to progress the project.

The final details for the kitchen and toilet are being selected and work will start on these items in a few weeks.

Hopefully we will see work commencing in church over the next few weeks and I will be able to update you on the progress in April.



Richard Pfleger St Margaret's Church Building Committee



Springtime wishes from St Mary Magdalene's Church

Gardening God's Way

Plant three rows of Peas:

Peace of Mind

Peace of Heart

Peace of Soul

Plant four rows of Squash:

Squash Gossip

Squash Indifference

Squash Grumbling

Squash Selfishness

Plant four rows of Lettuce:

Lettuce be faithful

Lettuce be kind

Lettuce be obedient

Lettuce really love one another

No garden without turnips:

Turnip for meetings

Turnip for service

Turnip to help one another

Water freely with patience and

Cultivate with love

There is much fruit in your garden

Because you reap what you sow

To conclude our garden

We must have Thyme

Thyme for God

Thyme for study

Thyme for prayer

STRATTON ST MARGARET PARISH COUNCIL



Stratton St Margaret
Parish Council

MOTHER'S DAY

REMEMBRANCE EVENT

SUNDAY 10TH MARCH 2024
10:00AM - 12:00PM

ST MARGARETS CENTRE, KENWIN CLOSE
SN3 4NY

COME ALONG TO COLLECT A FLOWER AND LAY AT ST
MARGARETS CEMETERY
TEA AND COFFEE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE DAY

THE INTRUDER

I wonder why the Church is empty?
I came in for God to, sort of, tempt me.
I came in to think about my ways,
To listen (I'm told) to what he says.
But why is it no-one else is here?
If I shout a bit, will they appear?
What do I say? What do I do?
How do I say it? I ain't got a clue.
Where do I start? Say sorry, I wonder.
If I swear a bit, will I hear thunder?
It's ever so strange, all these benches and books.
I wonder who sits, I wonder who looks.
I wonder what sort of people are they,
Do they really sing? Do they really pray?
They'll be all very nice - not smelly like me.
But then, I bet they pay, it can't be free.
I'll sit here a while on this little back seat,
If the Vicar appears, I'll quickly retreat.
I don't suppose I should stay too long,
I wouldn't want to cause a dance or a song,
or grief, for me just being here.
Perhaps it won't hurt if I sit and stare.

But thanks God for letting me in,
I know I'm bad, they call it Sin.
I'll just say my peace and be on my way,
They might leave the door open another day.

Dan Read

Weekly Prayers for March – **Transformation - Inspiring Women**

Monday: Clothed with Strength and Dignity

Loving God, we come into your presence in faith and hope. Be with us as we pray and help us to listen to your Word.

‘The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold, my refuge and my Saviour.’

2 Samuel 22:2-3

Living Lord, Open our ears to hear Your promises and open our eyes to see Your provision. May we pursue Your call, despite obstacles. May our eyes and hearts be open to recognise and encourage the gifts of others, and may we learn to be content with our weakness as much as we rejoice in your strength.

Encourage us, like Mary, to listen.

Inspire us, like Martha, to serve.

Tuesday: In spite of my weakness

Loving God, we come into your presence in faith and hope. Be with us as we pray and help us to listen to your Word.

‘My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.’ 2 Corinthians 12:9

Prayer of personal commitment:

God of Grace, You are familiar with all my ways and failures. Here I am, Lord, in all my brokenness and humanity. I give myself to You. In Your grace and mercy, make me useful in Your plan to redeem the world. Amen

Dear Lord, You created within us a capacity to love and nurture. You gave us understanding and patience in a troubled world. Walk beside us, every moment of each day. Guide us, encourage us and lead us, to reflect more and more of your life within our own. Amen

Wednesday: Growing Membership of the Church

Loving God, we come into your presence in faith and hope. Be with us as we pray and help us to listen to your Word.

‘Happy are those who hear the joyful call to worship, for they will walk in the light of your presence, LORD.’
Psalm 89:14-15 NLT

Almighty Lord, thank you that we are joined together in unity through the love of Christ. Strengthen our bonds of worship and service that together we may share your love with those you bring into our lives.

‘First at the cradle and last at the cross.’ Women from every walk of life continue to inspire us. Whether we are like ‘Mary’ or ‘Martha’, We pray to be blessed with a prayerful heart and spirit of hope that brings encouragement and light to others.

Thursday: The Ministry of Reconciliation

Loving God, we come into your presence in faith and hope. Be with us as we pray and help us to listen to your Word.

‘The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?’
Psalm 27:1

Father, who formed humanity to live in harmony and peace; we acknowledge before you our divisions, hatreds, injustice and greed.

May we your people demonstrate before the world the power of the gospel to destroy divisions, so that in Christ Jesus there may be no barriers and that all should come to know you.

Everyone a child of God, members with one another and heirs together of your everlasting kingdom. Amen

Friday: Mothers Everywhere

Loving God, we come into your presence in faith and hope. Be with us as we pray and help us to listen to your Word.

‘When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, ‘Woman, here is your son.’ Then he said to the disciple, ‘Here is your mother.’ And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home. ‘ John 19.25-27

Loving God, we pray for single parents, and those who have unexpectedly found themselves alone with the responsibility of raising a family. May they know Your comfort and your companionship.

A prayer from a mother in Sri Lanka:

Lord, we thank you for your love and compassion to us. Whenever we face difficult situations in life you are there to provide us strength and guidance to overcome them. Lord, we pray for your presence through all losses, trauma, and adversity we face in our daily lives. May your guiding hand be upon us, may your strength and our faith in your presence help us to have resilience to face the future. We pray in Jesus’s name. Amen
Uthpala Kalpage, Sri Lanka.

Heavenly Father, Give us grace in all our family relationships. May hope be stronger than struggle, celebrations more frequent than trials, May kindness prevail over anger, and may love build bridges. Keep us safely gathered in the love of Christ, members of your worldwide family.

Saturday: Holy Ground

Loving God, we come into your presence in faith and hope. Be with us as we pray and help us to listen to your Word.

‘Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.’
Psalm 100

God of creation, we give thanks for all that you have made. We see the beauty of our planet that nurtures us. We hear your word that enlightens us. We wonder at all you have done for us and we pray that you will make us better stewards of the environment.

Father, we thank you for the gift of Jesus Christ to be the Way, the Truth and the Life. As we walk the earth, the holy ground of your creation, as we breathe the air, and drink of the water of life, Show us the way to treasure the living world for all the families of the future.
Amen

Jokes

Harry goes into his favourite restaurant and orders his favourite dish, a bowl of tomato soup. The soup arrives and Harry looks at it for a moment before signalling the waiter to come back. "Taste the soup," says Harry.

"Why?" asks the waiter.

"Just taste the soup!" says Harry."

"Sir, you've been coming in here almost every day for many years," says the waiter.

"You've always enjoyed our soup".

Harry says, "I know, taste the soup!"

The waiter protests, "But what's wrong? Is it too hot? Not hot enough?"

Harry says "Taste the soup!"

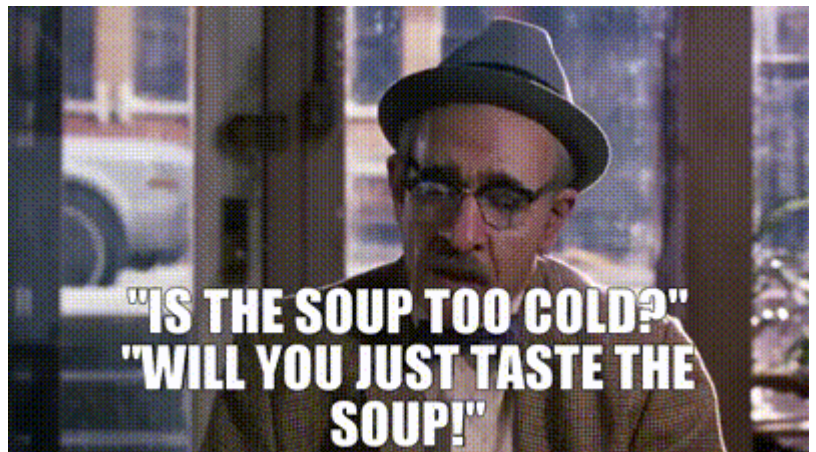
"But I don't understand, sir," splutters the waiter. "Did we leave out the salt? Perhaps you don't have enough bread? Is it the bread? Do you want more bread?"

Harry glares at the waiter, "Just-taste-**-soup!" he shouts.

The waiter gives in, "All right, sir I'll taste the soup!"

He looks around "Where's the spoon?"

"Aha!" says Harry.





A Sunday school teacher is telling the story of Noah and the flood.

Little Jimmy sticks his hand up and says "Didn't they get bored floating around for 40 days and nights?"

"No", replies the teacher.

"They had plenty of things to do, like feeding the animals and cleaning their stalls."

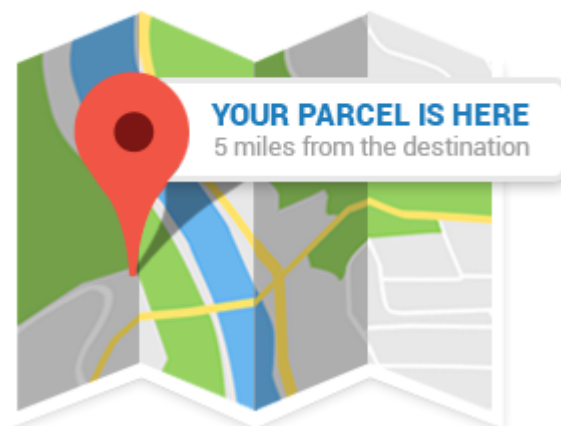
"That's not much fun", observes Jimmy.

"They probably did fun things as well,"

says the teacher, "like fishing."

"That can't have been fun," replies Jimmy, "not if they only had two worms".

Old Bill's legs are playing up, so he asks his neighbour, old George, if he can walk up the hill to the post office and see if a parcel has arrived for him. Old George was going to the post office anyway to get some tobacco, so he totters slowly to the top of the hill. When he finally gets there, he goes into the post office and a few minutes later totters out again. Old Bill watches as George makes his way down the hill then along the road to Bill's front door. "Was my parcel there?" asks old Bill. Old George nods as he shuffles inside his front door. "Oh yes" he says "It's there all right."



Dick went on a history tour of England. He was taken to Runnymede, where the barons made King John sign the Magna Carta. Dick asked the guide when it had happened and the guide told him 1215. Dick couldn't believe his bad luck, he'd missed it by half an hour.

To end with a few quotes:

"I hurt my back the other day. I was playing piggy-back with my six-year-old nephew and I fell off"

Tommy Cooper

"But I'll tell you what I love doing more than anything: trying to pack myself in a small suitcase. I can hardly contain myself."

Tim Vine

I remember once I was walking through campus and my instructor grabs me and yells, "It's been six weeks since I saw you in camouflage class!" I said "I'm getting good!"

Emo Phillips

We spend the first twelve months of our children's lives teaching them to walk and talk and the next twelve telling them to sit down and shut up.

Phyllis Diller

March



3rd March		Third Sunday of Lent	
St Margaret's Church	St Leonard's Church	St Mary Magdalene Church	
9:30am	9:30am	10am	
Holy Communion Service	Sunday Morning Worship	All Age Worship	
10th March		Mothering Sunday & Forth Sunday of Lent	
St Margaret's Church	St Mary Magdalene Church	St Leonard's Church	
9:30am	9:30am	11am	
Sunday Morning Worship	Holy Communion Service	Family Service Mothering Sunday	
17th March		Fifth Sunday of Lent	
St Margaret's Church	10am	Team Worship	
24th March		Palm Sunday	
St Margaret's Church	St Leonard's Church	Coleview Community Centre	
9:30am	9:30am	11am	
Sunday Morning Worship	Holy Communion Service	Holy Communion Service	
31st March		Easter Sunday	
St Mary Magdalene Church	St Margaret's Church	St Leonard's Church	
8am	9:30am	11am	
Holy Communion Service	Holy Communion Service	Holy Communion Service	

Please see our website for the most up to date information www.strattonteamministry.co.uk

We will endeavor to give as much notice as possible to any changes but that may not always be possible.

EASTER



Palm Sunday March 24th

9:30am St Margaret's Church

Sunday Morning Worship

9:30am St Leonards Church

Holy Communion Service

11am Coleview Community Centre

Holy Communion Service



Maundy Thursday March 28th

7pm St Margaret's Church

Holy Communion Service followed by a

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Good Friday March 29th

10am St Margaret's Church

Good Friday Service

2pm St Leonard's Church

Stations of the Cross



Easter Sunday March 31st

8am St Mary Magdalene Church

Holy Communion Service

9:30am St Margaret's Church

Holy Communion Service

11am St Leonards Church

Holy Communion Service

St Margaret's Church Stratton



at

St Margaret's Centre

Every Thursday

9:30am - 11:30am

Sundays after Church Services

Tea also available



St Leonards Family Service

**Invite you on the
10th March at 11am
Mothering Sunday**



for a lively Family Service designed to involve children
and appeal to adults.

The Theme this Sunday

Mary Mother of Jesus

Come and
join us for:

Activities

Songs

Food

Messy
CHURCH

Crafts

Games

Stories

SATURDAY SCENE

At St Margaret's Centre

(Kenwin Close, off Ermin street, Stratton St. Margaret)

Saturday 9th March @ 4pm

Messy
CHURCH

I AM
THE
Resurrection
AND
THE
life

JOHN 11:25a

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Next date 16th March

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10:15am - noon

On Wednesday

20th of March 2024

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14th

September

**FREE
ENTRY**

2024

Select Society Presents

Divorced, Beheaded, Died An Audience with King Henry VIII

The Year is 1544 and King Henry, the Eighth of that name, is engaged upon 'Royal Progress'; halting here to afford his Loyal Subjects the opportunity to have Audience with their Sovereign Lord and King.

Performed by:

Jack Abbot

Written by:

John White

Audience Age Guidance: 12+

www.kinghenry8th.com



Friday 8th March 2024 at 7pm

@ Christ Church Community Centre

Tickets from £6 from <https://ccccswindon.co.uk/events/>

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Email: ccoperations@christchurchswindon.co.uk



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Doors 7pm for 7:30pm
Bar available (cash or card)

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Enquiries: 01793 617237

Bumps & Babes

ARE YOU A NEW
OR EXPECTANT PARENT?

Register Now

forms.gle/fM4NesmSPYWTNuiC7

Come and join Stratton Team Ministry for our Bumps and Babes group on Tuesdays.

Bumps & Babes is a place for expectant parents and parents with babies (up to one year old*) to meet and chat over a coffee – sharing in the experiences of pregnancy and the joys and challenges of the early months of parenthood.

Mats and toys are available for you to play with your babies, as well as time for a few songs!

We are joined by guests each a month to share with us about subjects from weaning to breastfeeding; faith to reusable nappies!

Register for your place now via the link or complete a form on arrival – we look forward to welcoming you!

When: Tuesdays 11.15-12.15
(term time only)

Where: St Margaret's Centre,
Kenwin Close, SN3 4NY

Cost: Free

Contact Us & Useful Links



Bumpsandbabes9@gmail.com



www.strattonteamministry.co.uk/explore/kids-and-youth/bumps-babes/



Register for your place now
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Bumps and Babes St Margaret's Swindon

*Bumps and Babes aims to provide a safe place for younger babies to explore, therefore the group is only open to babies up to a year old or until they are very mobile - you will be responsible for your child at all times. A babies and toddlers group runs in the St Margaret's Centre on a Wednesday and Friday where there are more age-appropriate toys for toddlers. Please contact us if you have a special request.



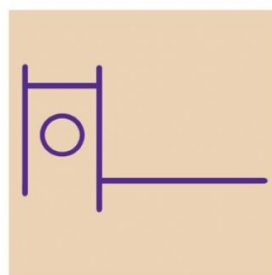
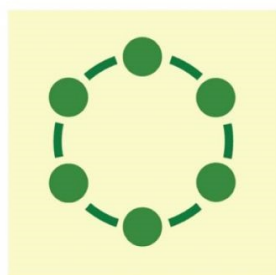
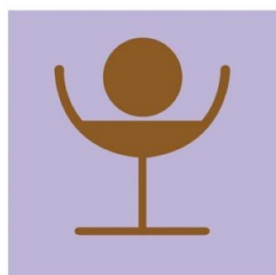
You may be aware that many charities and organisations are struggling at this time, this includes churches.

Great News! You can now sign up to join the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) online. There is a link for this on the Giving page of our website:

<https://www.strattonteamministry.co.uk/giving/>

If you haven't considered the PGS before, we would ask you to prayerfully consider doing so. It's very easy to sign up and it works in a similar way to a Direct Debit (that it is intended to replace), in that a regular payment authorised by you goes out either weekly, monthly or yearly straight to the church. It is perfectly safe and can be stopped or changed at any time.

PGS is a great way to give to the work and mission of St Margaret's Church. Donations given through PGS come straight to the Church, there are no admin fees or bank charges for us to pay. 41 people have now signed up to do this - Thank you



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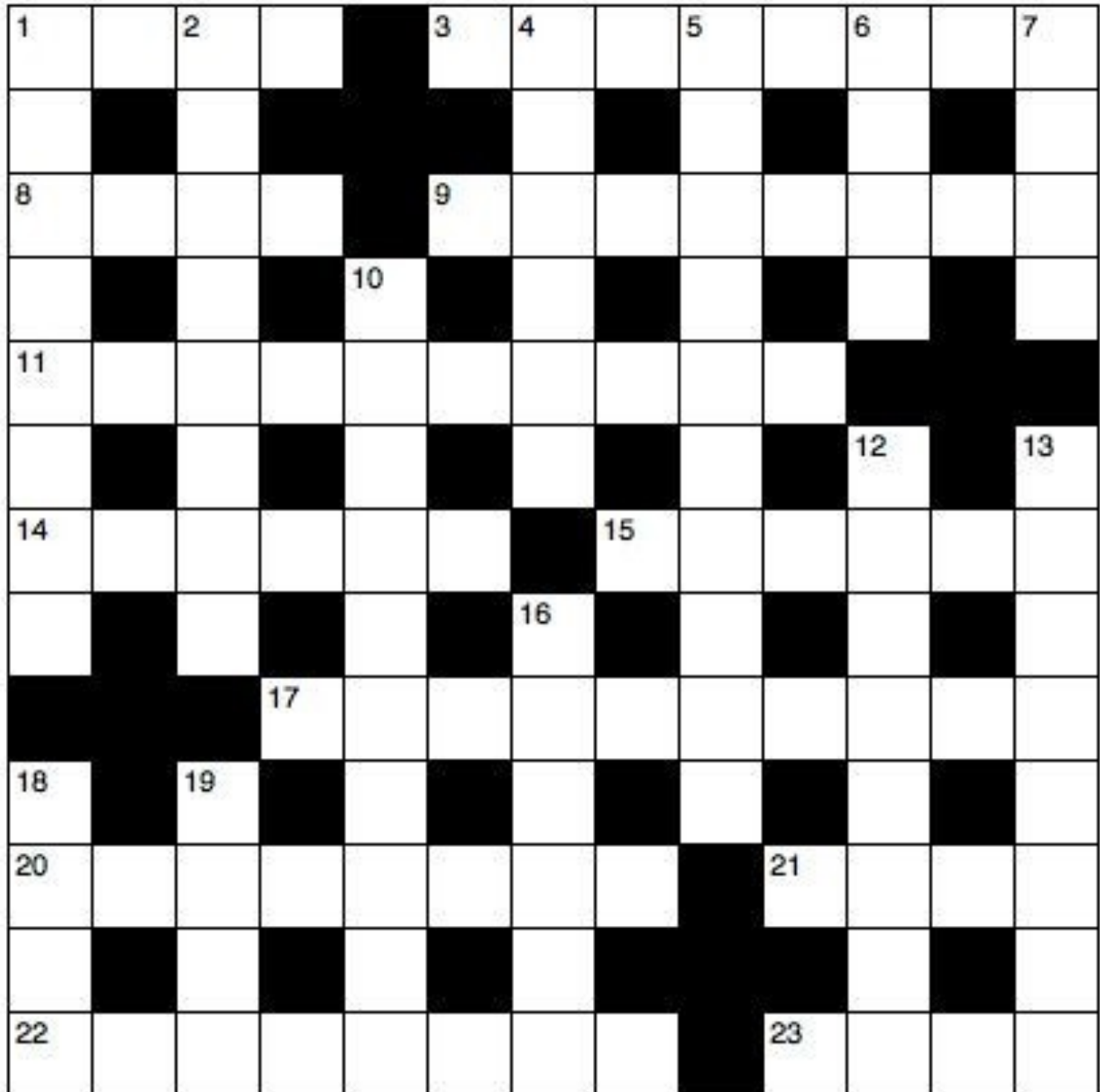
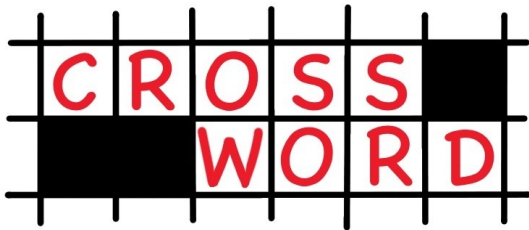
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Across

- 1 Made from the fruit of the vine, symbol of the blood of Christ (4)
- 3 'You are to set an ambush behind the city. Don't go very far from it. All of you be on — —' (Joshua 8:4) (3,5)
- 8 Seep (4)
- 9 Celebrated by Jesus on the night of his betrayal (Luke 22:15) (8)
- 11 One of the supposed sites of Christ's burial place in Jerusalem (6,4)

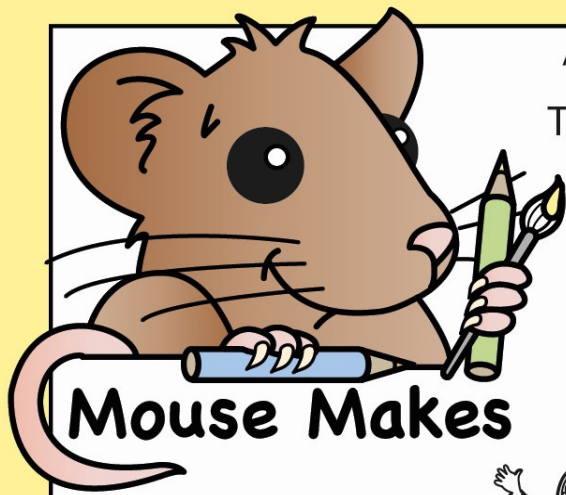
Across

- 14 'A city on a hill — be hidden' (Matthew 5:14) (6)
15 He inherited Elijah's mantle (2 Kings 2:12–13) (6)
17 Where Jesus prayed 'Not as I will, but as you will' (Matthew 26:36, 39) (10)
20 'Only in his home town and in his — — is a prophet without honour' (Matthew 13:57) (3,5)
21 Sail (anag.) (4) 22 How Jesus was punished before his crucifixion (Matthew 27:26) (8)
23 Eye sore (4)

Down

- 1 Can't grow (anag.) (5,3)
2 A servant girl to Peter, 'You also were with that — , Jesus' (Mark 14:67) (8)
4 Well-being (Proverbs 3:8) (6)
5 Pentecostal denomination, — of God (10)
6 One of the 'obvious' acts of the sinful nature (Galatians 5:19, 21) (4)
7 'I preached that they should repent and — to God' (Acts 26:20) (4)
10 ' — — , the world will not see me any more, but you will see me' (John 14:19) (6,4)
12 He betrayed Jesus: Judas — (Luke 6:16) (8)
13 Jesus to Peter: ' — — of my sheep' (John 21:16) (4,4)
16 The centurion said, 'Surely this man was — — of God' (Mark 15:39) (3,3)
18 Baked bread (Mark 8:14) (4)
19 'Blessing and honour, glory and power, be — Him' (Handel's Messiah) (4)





"I am the **resurrection** and the life.
The one who believes in me will live
even though they die."

John 1:25



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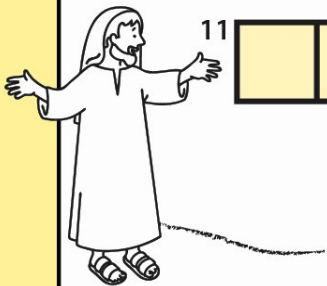
Matthew 21:1-11

1. Which city did Jesus ride into?
2. What did he ride on?
3. What did the crowd shout?
4. What did clothes did they put down?
7. What did they cut down to spread on the road?



Matthew 26:17-29

15. What feast did Jesus celebrate?
12. Who did he celebrate it with?
11. What did Jesus break to eat?



Matthew 27:27-61

17. What was Jesus' crown made of?
9. What was Jesus crucified on?
14. Who's tomb was Jesus buried in?
13. What did they wrap Jesus' body in?
16. What did they roll in front of the tomb?

Matthew 26:36-75

6. What did Jesus go to do at Gethsemane?
18. Who denied Jesus?



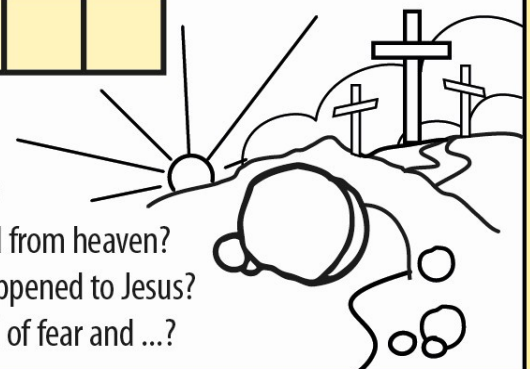
Matthew 26:14-16

- 8d. Who betrayed Jesus?
10. How many silver pieces was he paid?



Matthew 28:1-10

5. Who descended from heaven?
19. What had happened to Jesus?
- 8a. Mary was full of fear and ...?





Crossword Solutions

ACROSS: 1, Wine. 3, The alert. 8, Ooze. 9, Passover. 11, Garden Tomb. 14, Cannot. 15, Elisha. 17, Gethsemane. 20, Own house. 21, Lisa. 22, Flogging. 23, Styx.

DOWN: 1, Wrong act. 2, Nazarene. 4, Health. 5, Assemblies. 6, Envy. 7, Turn. 10, Before long. 12, Iscariot. 13, Take care. 16, The Son. 18, Loaf. 19, Unto.

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