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# Daily Ritual Calendar: Lent at Home 2024

## The Anointed One Among Us

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<p><b>Week 1: The Anointed One among Us: Repent &amp; Believe</b></p> <p><b>Prayer:</b> Jesus, we confess that we aren't always our best human selves. Bring us back to you. Help us turn around and show greater love to you, ourselves, others, and all of creation.</p>													
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Worship God in Community at Boulder Mennonite Church, 9:30am.		Cut out some footprints and add them to your centerpiece. You are on this journey with Jesus.		Read <b>Genesis 9:8-10</b> . God cares about all of creation, enough to establish a covenant with all creatures. Do something kind for creation today.		Read <b>Psalms 25:1-10</b> as your prayer.		Read <b>1 Peter 3:18</b> . What does this passage mean to you?		Read <b>John 1:9</b> again. Tell and reflect on the baptism stories of the people in your household.		Lent is a time for cleaning out and making space. Choose a drawer or closet to clean out.	
<p><b>Week 2: The Anointed One among Us: Showing Us Faith</b></p> <p><b>Prayer:</b> God, we confess that sometimes we forget our covenant with you. Thank you for sticking with us, as sure as the sun always rises.</p>													
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Worship God in Community at Boulder Mennonite Church, 9:30am.		Add a cross to your centerpiece. Each day, we learn what it means to take up our cross and follow Jesus.		Read <b>Mark 8:31-33</b> . Imagine what this "rebuking" sounded like.		Read <b>Mark 8:34-38</b> . Do someone else's chore for them.		Read <b>Genesis 17:1-14</b> . What is an outward sign of our covenant with God now?		Read Psalm 22:22-28. Read verse 22 aloud outside.		Get up early and watch the sunrise. As sure as the sun always rises, the Anointed One is among us.	
<p><b>Week 3: The Anointed One among Us: Showing Us Justice</b></p> <p><b>Prayer:</b> God, we confess that we sometimes just want to be like everyone else. Following you often looks foolish to the world around us. Give us courage to love others, to get angry at injustice, and to do "crazy" things like keeping the Sabbath.</p>													
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Worship God in Community at Boulder Mennonite Church, 9:30am.		Add a scroll to your centerpiece – the covenant gift of daily life in community.		Read <b>Ex. 20:8-11</b> . This is the hinge of the commandments. How do you (or how would you like to) practice the Sabbath?		Read <b>Psalms 20</b> aloud. Read it several times. What work does it do in you?		Read <b>John 2:13-16</b> . What makes you righteously angry?		Read <b>1 Cor 1:25</b> . Do something to foolishly show love to someone else.		Make <b>Lent Pretzels!</b> <a href="https://www.faithward.org/lent-pretzels-recipe-and-pretzel-prayer/">https://www.faithward.org/lent-pretzels-recipe-and-pretzel-prayer/</a>	
<p><b>Week 4: The Anointed One among Us: the Way of Mercy</b></p> <p><b>Prayer:</b> God, we confess that we don't always walk in your way of mercy. We know your steadfast love endures forever. You love us so much that you became a human like us. Help us show your loving kindness to others, even our enemies.</p>													
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Worship God in Community at Boulder Mennonite Church, 9:30am.		Add a heart to your centerpiece. God's steadfast love endures forever.		Read <b>Psalms 107:1</b> . This begins a recital of the ways God has stuck with the people. Tell bits of your own household's story, using that refrain with each part of the story.		The Hebrew word <i>hesed</i> is sometimes translated as "mercy," sometimes "steadfast love," and sometimes "loving kindness." Where have you experienced <i>hesed</i> ?		Read <b>John 3:16</b> . Many of us memorized this as children. What are your stories of learning this verse?		Show loving kindness, or <i>hesed</i> to someone else today.		Try a household fast from screens today.	
<p><b>Week 5: The Anointed One among us: the New Covenant</b></p> <p><b>Prayer:</b> God we confess that we hold tightly to things and ideas. We know you are the source of our life and strength. Give us the grace to let go and be ready for the newness you call us to.</p>													
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Worship God in Community at Boulder Mennonite Church, 9:30am.		Plant some seeds in a small pot and add it to your centerpiece. In order to have new life, we have to bury and let go of some things.		Read <b>John 12:24</b> . If you live in the northern hemisphere, step outside and notice the dormancy of nature. Imagine all the work God is doing in the soil to bring new life.		At nighttime, go outside and read <b>Psalms 130</b> out loud.		Read <b>Psalms 119:9</b> . Tell a story of a time you felt you strayed from God's instructions.		Read <b>Jeremiah 31:31-34</b> . This is the heart of the Anointed One among us, knowing us and walking with us.		Find all the loose change in the house and count it. Then bring it to church (or a person in need) as alms-giving.	
<p><b>Week 6: Holy Week</b></p> <p><b>Prayer:</b> God, we confess that sometimes we want you to be formed in our image, instead of letting you form us in your image. As Jesus was free to speak hard truths, surprise us and challenge us. Work in our hearts this week as we seek to follow you.</p>													
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 <p>It's <b>Palm Sunday!</b> Worship God in Community at Boulder Mennonite Church.</p>		Add the palm branch to your centerpiece. We are ready to follow Jesus into the journey of Holy Week.		This is a moment of triumph, but soon after this, the crowds will slowly turn on Jesus. Have you ever felt this kind of betrayal or turning by the people around you?		Read <b>Psalms 118:1-4</b> , and say it as call-and-response, using the names of those in your household. Imagine these words ringing in Jesus' ears during the week before his death.		 <p>Do the <b>Maundy Thursday</b> ritual in this resource &amp; attend the 6pm foot washing service at BMC.</p>		Do the <b>Good Friday</b> ritual in this resource or attend a communal worship service. No services at BMC.		When Jesus died, the Light of the World went out. Don't turn on any lights today.	



**Easter Sunday, March 31**  
**9:30am Brunch 10:30am Worship 11:45am Easter Egg Hunt**  
**Happy Resurrection Day!** Add a rock to your centerpiece. All barriers to fullness of life in God have been rolled away! Choose from the Easter Day activities in this resource as you celebrate the resurrection! Worship at Boulder Mennonite Church on Easter!



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