



Midweek Lenten Service
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Opening Dialog

Jesus Christ is the Light of the world.

The light that no darkness can overcome. (John 8:12; 1:5)

Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening.

And the day is almost over. (Luke 24:29)

Let your light scatter the darkness,

and illumine your Church. (John 12:46)

For even the darkness is not dark to you.

The night is as bright as the day. (Psalm 139:12)

Opening Hymn: “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

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Salutation & Opening Prayer

The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

And also with you.

Let us pray... **Amen**

Lesson: Romans 10:14–21

Homily

The Apostles Creed

✠ I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

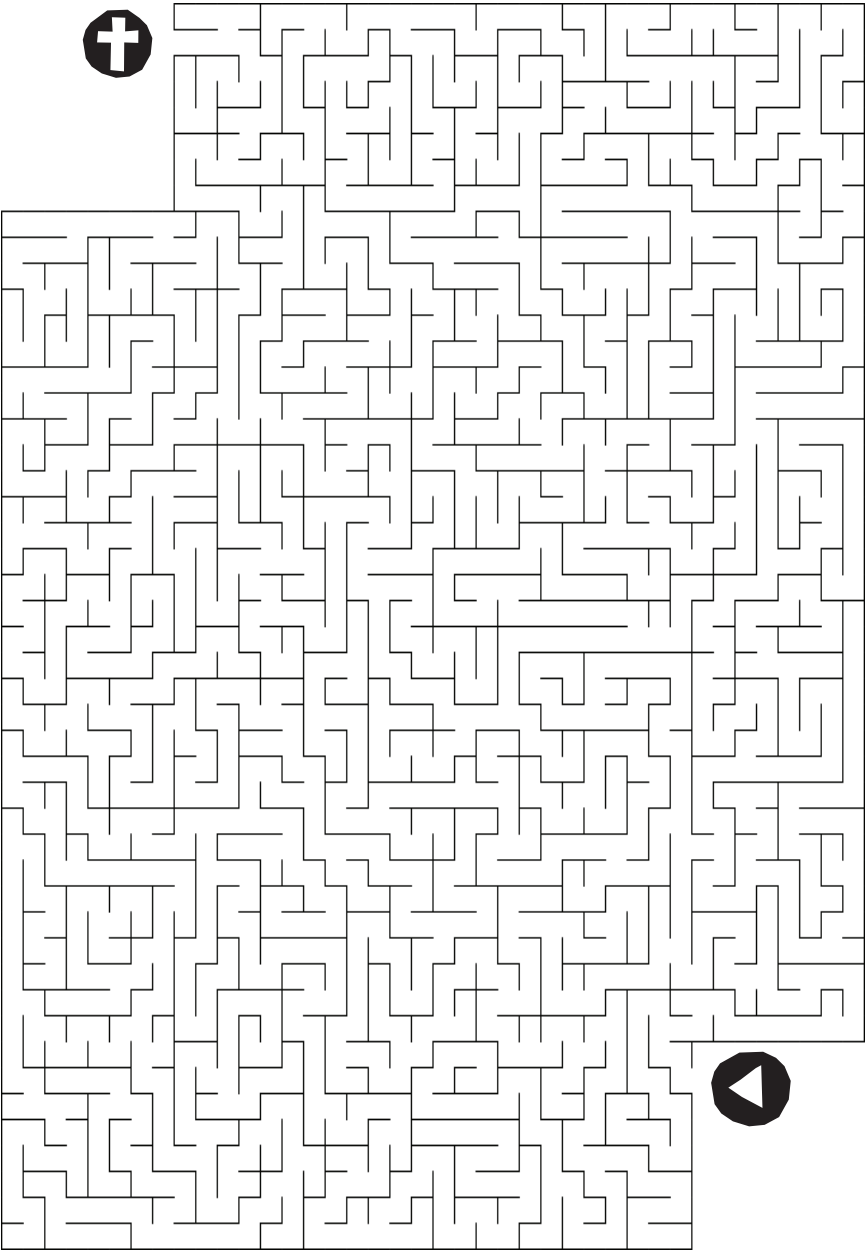
✠ I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

✠ I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Closing Prayer

Closing Hymn: “Now the Day Is Over”

Follow the way of faith to the cross of Christ.



Wrestling with God

Find the 20 **bold** words from Genesis 32:24–28.

S T R U G G L E D D X M L D Y
K R S B M W L I A G B D E E X
D Y I J O X S H A W V U A H I
M B N L G M P T W V N M R C M
J A L S S E L B R L E I S U E
M O N H A L O N E A I R I O N
H I X V I N D S S V I Q P T P
T H I G H D S E T E N N T Z O
H O W C F T F Q L U M A E B J
N A B C H W W G E I B A F D B
P S R P B R F G D R A R N N I
F N J O A I Q M E D Q V A T O
Y J C B V B Z A X A G F E Z E
K A O Y A D K L U W M O Q R A
J B Y N G P I Q K N B Y D W P

And **Jacob** was left **alone**, and there a **man wrestled** with him until the **break** of **day**. And when he saw that he did not **prevail** against him, he **touched** the **hollow** of his **thigh**. And the hollow of Jacob's thigh was **strained** as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for it is **dawn**." And he said, "I will not let you go **unless** you **bless** me." And he said to him, "What is your **name**?" And he said, "Jacob." And he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but **Israel**, for you have **struggled** with **God** and with **men**, and have **prevailed**."

Unscramble the verse:

I evah snee dgo afce ot ceaf dna eyt ym ielf sah neeb ieledervd.