

# Lenten Blessings Calendar

During Lent, we encourage all of us to give thanks every day for our many blessings and at the same time share with others who are less fortunate by donating items listed below for each Saturday. (Please put the items in the boxes in Crossroads.)

[Another way we can help others: keep a running total of the answer to each day's question and donate that number of pennies, nickels, dimes, or quarters, etc., to one of the groups listed at the end of this document. Write a check to Redeemer and put the name of the group in the Memo line.]

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>March 5</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b> How many gloves and mittens are in your home?  Give thanks for warm hands!	6 How many letters are in your last name? Give thanks for families!	7 How many musical instruments are in your home?  Give thanks for musicians!	8 How many bathtubs are in your home? Give thanks for fresh water! <b>Bring a washcloth to Redeemer for the Lamb Center</b>
9 How many people wore robes during the worship service today?  Give thanks for all the people who help us worship!	10 How many blankets are in your home?  Give thanks for warm beds!	11 How many letters are in your street name?  Give thanks for streets and roads!	12 How many pets are in your home?  Give thanks for all kinds of animals!	13 How many sweaters do you have?  Give thanks for warm clothes!	14 How many rooms are or were in your school?  Give thanks for teachers!	15 How many shoes are in your bedroom?  Give thanks for warm feet! <b>Bring a pair of socks for grade-school children to Redeemer for Share</b>
16 How many pews are at Redeemer?  Give thanks for all houses of worship (churches, synagogues, mosques, etc.)!	17 How many rocking chairs are in your home?  Give thanks for relaxation!	18 How many boxes of cereal are in your kitchen?  Give thanks for breakfast!	19 How many plants are in your home?  Give thanks for God's creation!	20 How many tires are on your cars and/or bikes?  Give thanks for transportation!	21 How many lights switches are in your home?  Give thanks for electricity!	22 How many toothbrushes are in your home?  Give thanks for dentists & for people who help people in Guatemala! <b>Bring a toothbrush for 2-5 yr olds to Redeemer for Partner for Surgery</b>
23 How many crosses can you count at Redeemer?  Give thanks for Jesus!	24 How many doors are in your home?  Give thanks for freedom to come and go!	25 How many playgrounds are in your neighborhood?  Give thanks for exercise!	26 How many Bibles are in your home?  Give thanks for God's word!	27 How many pairs of sunglasses are in your home?  Give thanks for sunshine!	28 How many bandages are in your home?  Give thanks for doctors and nurses!	29 How many fruits are in your kitchen?  Give thanks for people who feed the hungry! <b>Bring a fruit bar to Redeemer for the Little Food Pantry</b>

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<b>30</b> How many songs were sung at Redeemer today? Give thanks for music!	<b>31</b> How many books are in your bedroom?  Give thanks for schools and libraries!	<b>April 1</b> How many words are in the Lord's Prayer? Give thanks that God hears our prayers!	<b>2</b> How many neighbors live next to your home? Give thanks for community!	<b>3</b> How many trees are in your yard?  Give thanks for the shade they will provide!	<b>4</b> How many phones are in your home? Give thanks for inventions to keep us connected!	<b>5</b> How many pans are in your kitchen? Give thanks for people who cook our meals. <b>Bring a small bottle of dish soap to Redeemer for Homestretch</b>
<b>6</b> How many outer doors are there at Redeemer? Give thanks for a welcoming place!	<b>7</b> How many umbrellas are in your house?  Give thanks for rain to make gardens grow!	<b>8</b> How many cans of vegetables are in your kitchen? Give thanks for farmers!	<b>9</b> How many mugs are in your kitchen?  Give thanks for good things to drink!	<b>10</b> How many windows are in your home? Give thanks for fresh air to breathe!	<b>11</b> How many balls are in your home?  Give thanks for being able to play sports!	<b>12</b> How many color pencils are in your home? Give thanks for imagination! <b>Bring a box of color pencils to Redeemer for HopeLink</b>
<b>Palm Sunday 13</b> How many times did you wave your palm at Redeemer today?  Give thanks for hearing the story of Palm Sunday!	<b>14</b> How many flowers are blooming on your street?  Give thanks for their beauty!	<b>15</b> How many people did you thank today for helping you? Give thanks for all "helpers"!	<b>16</b> How many clocks are in your home?  Give thanks for time with others!	<b>17</b> How many lamps are in your home?  Give thanks for light in dark places!	<b>Good Friday 18</b> How many people can you tell "I love you" today? Give thanks to God for His love for all of us!	<b>Holy Saturday 19</b> How many countries have you visited?  Give thanks for all of God's people!
<b>Easter Sunday 20</b> How many "alleluias" did you hear in church today? Give thanks to God that Jesus, our Savior, rose from the dead!	For more information about the work of the organizations included above:					
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