

# How Does God's Garden Grow?

# Lent • 2015

God made a garden long ago. Dear God, how does your garden grow?

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

22 • 1st Sunday in Lent

God's garden had too many weeds. A brand new start is what it needs.



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When the dove returned, there in its beak was an olive leaf: and Noah knew that the water had receded. Genesis 8:11



24, 25

Noah planted a vineyard. Plant seeds today and keep track of their growth in the next weeks.



March 1, 2 • 2nd Sunday in Lent

God's people lived in Egypt now. They'd grown into a mighty crowd!



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The king of Egypt said, "The Israelites have become far too numerous for us." Exodus 1:9



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Baby Moses hid in the water garden. Read Exodus 2:1-9



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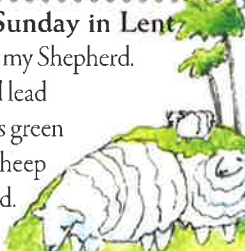


A bush was burning brilliantly. "Moses, set my people free!"

What colors do you see on the bushes this spring?

8 • 3rd Sunday in Lent

The Lord's my Shepherd. He will lead To pastures green where sheep can feed.



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You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance. Psalm 65:11

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Read Psalm 96. Join the trees in singing God's praises.



The garden grows. God makes things new! His love is springing up in you!

15, 16 • 4th Sunday in Lent

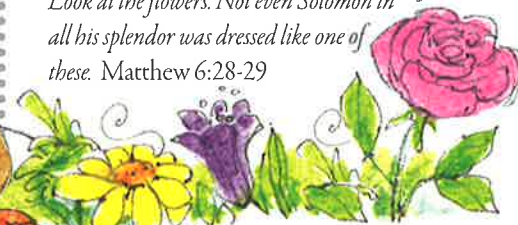
God loves us, each and every one. To help us grow, he sent his Son.



Look at the flowers. Not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. Matthew 6:28-29

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A sower sowed some seed around. It fell on fine and fertile ground. That fertile soil had plants that grew. That's how God's Word can grow in YOU!



22 • 5th Sunday in Lent

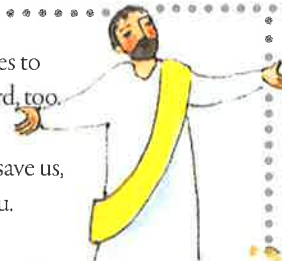
I am the vine, the Savior said. Without the vine, the branch is dead.



Read Matthew 20:1-16. We are all workers in God's vineyard. Can you rearrange the letters on the grapes to spell out your reward?

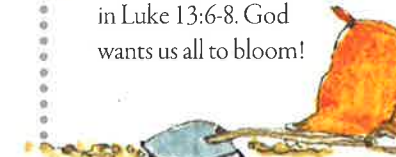
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The Son comes to the vineyard, too. He comes to save us, me and you.



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Read about the fig tree in Luke 13:6-8. God wants us all to bloom!



29, 30

**PALM Sunday**  
Let's gather palms. Let's dance and sing to welcome Jesus Christ our King!



31, April 1

Jesus went to the garden and prayed, "Father take this cup from me." Matthew 26:39

Where did Jesus go to pray? Unscramble the letters to find out.  
GES  
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NAME \_\_\_\_\_



2 • Holy Maundy Thursday

Our Savior died upon a tree. He died for you. He died for me.

3 • Good Friday

**Paradise**  
Jesus promises paradise again. Read Luke 23:39-43

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Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. John 12:24



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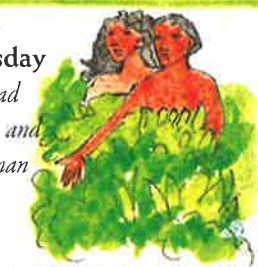
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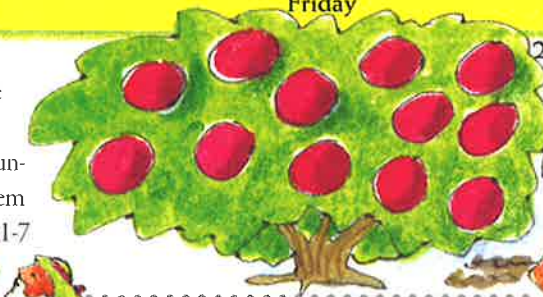
Ash Wednesday

The Lord God had planted a garden, and there he put the man he had formed. Genesis 2:8



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God told Adam and Eve not to eat fruit from his tree. Draw the creature under tree that tempted them to eat it. Read Genesis 3:1-7



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The Lord God banished him from that garden paradise to work the ground. Genesis 3:23



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The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country to a brand new land!" Genesis 12:1



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God tested dear old Abraham. He passed the test! God sent a \_\_\_\_\_! Read Genesis 22:13-18 to find the answer.



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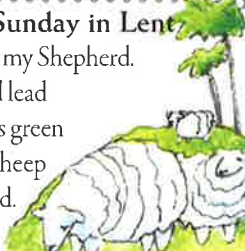


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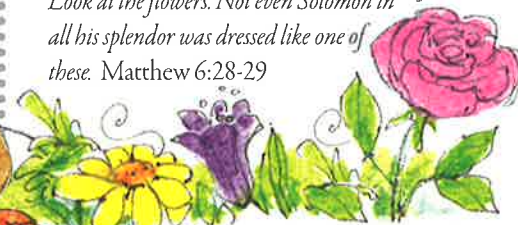
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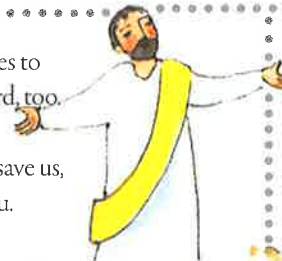
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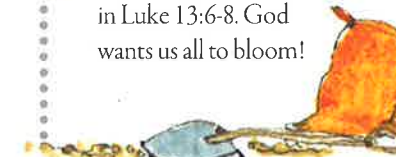
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There is a garden far away where Jesus rose on Easter Day. He lives! He lives! And so will we, in paradise eternally!