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## MARCH 2024 WEEKLY READER # 5 -===

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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter





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Easter is a Christian festival and cultural holiday commemorating the resurrection of Jesus, described in the New Testament as having occurred on the third day of his burial following his crucifixion by the Romans at Calvary c. 30 AD. Easter and its related holidays are moveable feasts, not falling on a fixed date; its date is computed based on a lunisolar calendar (solar year plus Moon phase) similar to the Hebrew calendar.

It has come to be the first Sunday after the ecclesiastical full moon that occurs on or soonest after 21 March. The English term is derived from the Saxon spring festival Eostre; Easter is linked to the Jewish Passover by its name, by its origin (according to the synoptic Gospels, both the crucifixion and the resurrection took place during the week of Passover. (More on page 2)

April Birthdays нарру 15 Rhonda Weddle Birthday 17 Donna Adams 17 Barbara Spencer 25 Yvonne Ryan 29 Lucille Davidson

Grab a pencil and piece of paper. How many words can you make using the letters in **"Easter Parade "** We found **89**! <u>TMRC Daylight</u> <u>Chapter #1145</u> - Next Stated meeting - APRIL 22nd at 1:30 pm

## <u>Date</u>

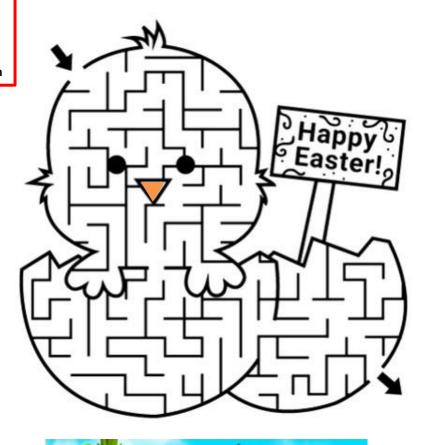
Easter and the holidays that are related to it are moveable feasts, in that they do not fall on a fixed date in the Gregorian or Julian calendars (both of which follow the cycle of the sun and the seasons). Instead, the date for Easter is determined on a lunisolar calendar similar to the Hebrew calendar. The First Council of Nicaea (325) established two rules, independence of the Jewish calendar and worldwide uniformity, which were the only rules for Easter explicitly laid down by the Council. No details for the computation were specified; these were worked out in practice, a process that took centuries and generated a number of controversies. In particular, the Council did not decree that Easter must fall on Sunday, but this was already the practice almost everywhere.

In Western Christianity, using the Gregorian calendar, Easter always falls on a Sunday between 22 March and 25 April, within about seven days after the astronomical full moon.

In countries where Christianity is a state religion, or those with large Christian populations, Easter is often a public holiday. As Easter always falls on a Sunday, many countries in the world also recognize Easter Monday as a public holiday.

In the United States, because Easter falls on a Sunday, which is already a nonworking day for federal and state employees, it has not been designated as a federal or state holiday. Easter parades are held in many American cities, involving festive strolling processions. (More on page 3)

March: Flower: Daffodil Birthstone: Aquamarine Zodiac Signs: Pisces -February 19 -March 20 Aries - March 21 - April 19) April: Flower: Daises, Sweet Pea Birthstone: Diamond Zodiac Signs: Aries -March 21 - April 19, Taurus - April 20 - May 20





– (His) MEMORY Jumble answers: CROWN, MADAM, BELFRY, LIMDER Easter is preceded by Lent, a period of penitence that begins on Ash Wednesday, lasts 40 days (not counting Sundays), and is often marked with fasting. The week before Easter, known as Holy Week, is an important time for observers to commemorate the final week of Jesus' life on earth. The Sunday before Easter is Palm Sunday, with the Wednesday before Easter being known as Spy Wednesday (or Holy Wednesday). The last three days before Easter are Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday (sometimes referred to as Silent Saturday).

Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday respectively commemorate Jesus's entry in Jerusalem, the Last Supper and the crucifixion.

## Non-observing Christian groups

Many Puritans saw traditional feasts of the established Anglican Church, such as All Saints' Day and Easter, as abominations because the Bible does not mention them. Conservative Reformed denominations such as the Free Presbyterian Church of Scotland and the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America likewise reject the celebration of Easter as a violation of the regulative principle of worship and what they see as its non-Scriptural origin.

Members of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), as part of their historic testimony against times and seasons, do not celebrate or observe Easter or any traditional feast days of the established Church, believing instead that "every day is the Lord's Day," and that elevation of one day above others suggests that it is acceptable to do un-Christian acts on other days. During the 17th and 18th centuries, Quakers were persecuted for this non-observance of Holy Days.

Groups such as the Restored Church of God reject the celebration of Easter, seeing it as originating in a pagan spring festival adopted by the Roman Catholic Church.

Jehovah's Witnesses maintain a similar view, observing a yearly commemorative service of the Last Supper and the subsequent execution of Christ on the evening of Nisan 14 (as they calculate the dates derived from the lunar Hebrew calendar). It is commonly referred to by many Witnesses as simply "The Memorial". Jehovah's Witnesses believe that such verses as Luke 22:19–20 and 1 Corinthians 11:26 constitute a commandment to remember the death of Christ though not the resurrection.





