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**Roots & Wings**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Memory verse: 2 Corinthians 5:17</b> Anyone who belongs to Christ is a new person. The past is forgotten, and everything is new.</p> <p><b>April Table Prayer:</b> God of Spring and all things new Thank you for the morning dew For streams and rivers and the earth, Water of new life, baptism, our rebirth. Amen.</p>			<p><b>1 April Fool's Day</b> Today's a day of fun practical jokes. Hey, your shoelace is untied! Make sure your jokes don't hurt others' feelings and are harmless. Have fun!</p> 	<p><b>2 World Autism Acceptance Day</b> People with Autism are just like us only their brains are wired just a bit differently. Let us remember we are all God's beloved children, just how God created us!</p> 	<p><b>3 Find a Rainbow Day</b> Rainbows are a gift from God, a promise in the sky. With the help of an adult, look on the internet for pictures of rainbows. Isn't God an amazing artist?</p> 	<p><b>4 Take Your Parents to the Playground</b></p> 
<p><b>5 Palm Sunday</b> Read Matthew 21:1-11</p> 	<p><b>6 National Tater Day</b> Baked potato, sweet potato, French fries? Which is your favorite? Tonight for dinner, help make a feast with your favorite potato side!</p> 	<p><b>7 National Beaver Day</b> Did you know that the beaver is the largest rodent in North America? Today is a good day to go to the library with an adult. Check out a book on our friend the Beaver!</p> 	<p><b>8 Draw a Bird Day</b> Take a peek outside of your window. The birds are happy that it's Springtime. Draw a picture of your favorite bird and give thanks to God for all of creation.</p> 	<p><b>9 Maundy Thursday</b> <i>John 13:1-13</i> Today's theme is "love one another". Think of one way to show a friend or family member how much you love them.</p> 	<p><b>10 Good Friday</b> <i>John 18:1-19:42</i> During family devotions tonight, talk about why today is called "Good Friday", the day on which we observe Christ's death on the cross.</p> 	<p><b>11 Holy Saturday</b> John 19:38-42</p> 
<p><b>12 Easter!</b> Read John 20:1-18</p> 	<p><b>13</b> On Sunday, we celebrated God's love for us as shown in Christ Jesus. As a family, talk about the special significance that Easter has for each you.</p> 	<p><b>14 Look Up at the Sky Day</b> Tonight is a good night to go outside with your family and look up at God's marvelous creation. Can you count all of the stars that God has made? Thank you, God, for sparkling beauty!</p> 	<p><b>15 National ALS Day</b> Sign Language is a way to communicate with your hands. With the help of an adult, find a YouTube video on how to say I love you in ASL.</p> 	<p><b>16 High Five Day</b> Instead of hugging your family and friends today, give high fives instead!</p> 	<p><b>17 Bat Appreciation Day</b> Did you know that bats can't see at night? With the help of an adult, Google some other fun facts about the incredible mammals.</p> 	<p><b>18 Family Fun Day</b></p> 
<p><b>19</b> Read John 20:19-31</p> 	<p><b>20</b> When the risen Lord appeared to His disciples, He said to them, "Peace be with you." We do the same thing on Sundays in church. Talk about this with your family at dinner.</p> 	<p><b>21 National Library Day</b> What a wonderful day to go to your local library. Stay and read a story and be sure to thank your librarian!</p> 	<p><b>22 Earth Day</b> God has given us this great, big beautiful earth to take care of. We can use less plastic, recycle, and be cautious of our water usage. Talk about how we can do this as a family.</p> 	<p><b>23 Spanish Language Day</b> <i>Hola, Amigos!</i> Today, find a friend who speaks Spanish and have them teach you a quick lesson. Buenos Dias!</p> 	<p><b>24 Admin Appreciation Day</b> Do you have a church administrator? Today, show your love by bringing flowers or making a special card to say thank you for all the work that they do for us.</p> 	<p><b>25 Family Fun Day</b></p> 
<p><b>26</b> Read Luke 24:13-35</p> 	<p><b>27 Babe Ruth Day</b> With the help of an adult, Google this famous baseball player. Batter up!</p> 	<p><b>28</b> The disciples on the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until he gave them something to eat. How can you recognize Jesus this week?</p> 	<p><b>29 World Wish Day</b> I bet you have dandelions in your neighborhood. We call them wish flowers. Pick a dandelion and make a special wish when you blow off the petals. What did you wish for?</p> 	<p><b>30 International Jazz Day</b> Billie Holiday, Ella Fitzgerald, Benny Goodman. With the help of an adult, go on YouTube and listen to some jazz music. Put on your dancing shoes!</p> 	 <p><b>Virginia Lutherans</b> FAITHFUL + BOLD + SERVING Virginia Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America</p>	