

■ **Begin developing a relationship with the new pastor.** It may be tentative at first if you have not previously worked with him. Remember, he is going through his own emotional process as well and may be nervous about ministering in a new place. Know that getting along with the new pastor is not being disloyal to your previous pastor. In many ways it is a compliment to his leadership that you can carry on after he has left. Refrain from calling him for advice, particularly if you are hoping he will influence the new pastor. He has moved on and needs to focus on his own new beginnings.

■ **If you have discerned that it is time for you to move on,** whether into retirement or another position, honor yourself for having the courage to make that decision. It is also possible that the pastor will ask you to resign. Be prepared for that, as well. Have an updated resume, know what resources are available to you, and look for new opportunities in your area.

Perhaps what you most need to remember is the lesson learned by the disciples on the road to Emmaus and the disciples in the Upper Room. Even after all that had happened, Jesus did not

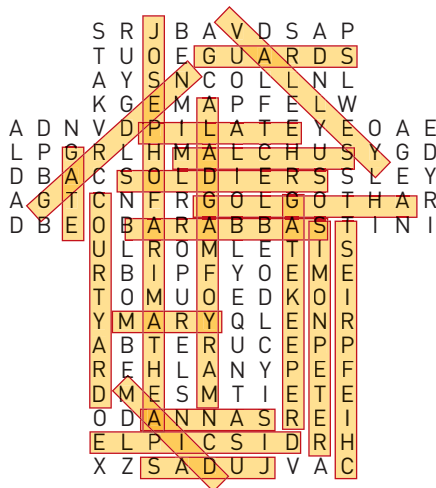
abandon them. He walked with them in their doubt and confusion, energized them in the breaking of the bread, and poured forth his Spirit. And so, too, will Jesus be there for you. Blessings on your new journey!



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**ANSWER AND EXTRA ACTIVITIES FROM Living the Liturgical Year** puzzles from page 34 & 35

**Answer to The people and places of the cross** puzzle from page 34



**Answer to Good Friday by the numbers** puzzle from page 35

- 2 Peter denies Jesus three times.
- 6 Jesus is crucified.
- 1 Jesus goes to the garden with his disciples.
- 7 Soldiers divide up Jesus' clothes and cast lots for his tunic.
- 4 Pilate has Jesus scourged.
- 5 A crown of thorns is placed on Jesus' head.
- 9 Jesus bows his head and dies.
- 10 Jesus is laid in the tomb.
- 8 Jesus says to the disciple about Mary, "Behold your mother."
- 3 The cock crows.

**Good prayers for good people**

On Good Friday, we think of people who need our prayers. Fill in the cross with names of people you are praying for.

**Stations of the Cross prayer**

*We adore You, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.*