



The KEY MAY 2026

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



The Humble Mustard Seed

The humble mustard seed has long represented faith and potential for many Christians. Though tiny, it carries the capacity for remarkable growth and transformation. For generations, Sunday Schools and Bible Studies have reminded us that even the smallest measure of faith can lead to extraordinary outcomes.

Matthew 17:20 (NKJV)

So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.

Mark 4:30-32 (NKJV)

Then He said, "To what shall we liken the kingdom of God? Or with what parable shall we picture it is like a mustard seed which, when it is sown on the ground, is smaller than all the seeds on earth; but when it is sown, it grows up and becomes greater than all herbs, and shoots out large branches, so that the birds of the air may nest under its shade."

Matthew 13:31-32 (NKJV)

Another parable He put forth to them, saying: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field, which indeed is the least of all the seeds; but when it is grown it is greater than the herbs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and nest in its branches."

Luke 13:18-19 (NKJV)

Then He said, "What is the kingdom of God like? And to what shall I compare it? It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his garden; it grew and became a large tree, and the birds of the air nested in its branches."

Follow The Spirit



Like the mustard seed, our faith may begin small, yet with time, nurturing, and perseverance it can grow into something strong and life-giving. It teaches us not to underestimate the power of small beginnings—whether in the hearts of children hearing Bible stories for the first time or in adults taking hesitant steps toward spiritual renewal. Even the faintest spark of faith can illuminate our lives and bless those around us.

This image of the mustard seed offers a powerful metaphor for our spiritual journey. At times we may feel stagnant or unsure of our progress, yet Scripture assures us that growth is inevitable when we remain rooted in God. Just as the seed becomes a tree, our faith flourishes when tended with prayer, trust, and openness to God’s quiet work within us.

This truth also speaks to the work of our church councils. Members from each congregation give their time and talents while navigating internal, local, and legislative challenges. Obstacles can feel overwhelming, yet the mustard seed reminds us that faith—especially shared faith—can move what seems immovable. It is why we pray together before making decisions: we trust in a power greater than ourselves.

James 1:6 (NKJV)

“But when you ask you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.”

We should never underestimate the impact we can have. Our experiences, struggles, and joys all contribute to the beauty of God’s Kingdom. Every small act of faith, every step forward, matters.

The Kingdom of God itself is described as beginning like a mustard seed—small, almost unnoticed, yet destined to grow into something vast and sheltering. By being faithful in our lives, our churches, and our communities, we participate in that growth in ways we may never fully see or understand. Still, we are part of God’s unfolding plan.

Together, we can flourish like the mustard seed—becoming a sheltering, life-giving presence that offers shade, comfort, and hope to others. May we continue to nurture our faith and generously share it with the world.

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MAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Year A

Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 3, 2026 (W)

ACTS 7:55-60/PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16
1 PETER 2:2-10/JOHN 14:1-14
9:30 St. Peter's/Trinity (Charlotte), w
11:30 Christ Church (Charlotte/Carl), w
2:00 St. Edmund's (Bernie/Rev'd Mona)

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 10, 2026 (W)

ACTS 17:22-31/PSALM 66:7-18
1 PETER 3:13-22/JOHN 14:15-21
9:30 St. Peter's/Trinity (Pastor Janaki)
11:30 Christ Church (Pastor Janaki)
2:00 St. Edmund's (Pastor Janaki)

Seventh Sunday of Easter, May 17, 2026 (W)

ACTS 1:6-14/PSALM 68:1-10; 33-36
1 PETER 4:12-14; 5:6-11/JOHN 17:1-11
9:30 St. Peter's/Trinity (Pastor Janaki)
10:00 St. Edmund's (Pastor Janaki)
11:30 Christ Church (Pastor Janaki)

May 17th

7:00 PM St. Margaret's Chapel
Special Opening Service - Holy Eucharist
Story Teller: Pastor Janaki

The Day of Pentecost, May 24, 2026 (R)

ACTS 2:1-21 or NUMBERS 11:24-30/PSALM
104:25-35;37
1 CORINTHIANS 12:3b-13 OR ACTS 2:1-21/JOHN
20:19-23 OR JOHN 7:37-39
9:30 St. Peter's & Trinity (Deacon Karen Kovats/
Rev'd Graham)
10:00 St. Edmund's, (Rev'd Mary Anne
Sommerville/Bernadette)
11:30 Christ Church (Rev'd Graham/Carl)

First Sunday after Pentecost, May 31, 2026 (W)

Details Pending

9:30 St. Peter's/Trinity (Pastor Janaki)
10:00 St. Edmund's, Mary Anne
Sommerville/Bernadette)
11:30 Christ Church (Pending/Carl)

Sponsorship Opportunities

The KEY may be sponsored for \$60.00
An individual congregational bulletin may be
sponsored for \$30.00

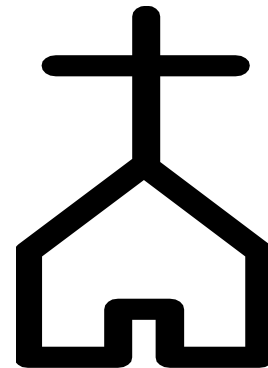
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with Satomi in the Parish Office.*

LUTHERAN & ANGLICAN MINISTRIES OF THE BRUCE PENINSULA

Together in faith,
loving and serving God
by helping others.

We pledge to:

- be led by Holy Spirit
- embrace differences
- adapt to changing times



MISSION STATEMENT,
adopted by PPC, November 14, 2018



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MAY EVENTS

Wiarton Ladies Group

The spring date for collection of donations this year is **Sunday May 10th** for the **Kidney Foundation of Canada**. Green Garbage Bags, labelled with a **K** with clothing, shoes, purses, outerwear, bedding, drapery and fabrics, jewelry and belts. Thank you for your help in this endeavour.



Their next meeting will be held at
595 Gould Street, Wiarton
at 1:30 pm on Wednesday May 20th
 Shirley Dimoff

St. Andrew's Memorial Howdenvale

Will open for the season this year on
 June 7, 2026
 With Father Mark Curtis, Holy Eucharist

Service of Ordination For Brent Krysa

At
 4:30 p.m. on May 31st
 The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, London



NEXT AVGEN ORDER

Orders Collected
Sunday May 31st
 Cheques must be made payable to Christ Church
 In the memo line record 'Avgen in trust'



An easy way to help your church fund outreach



St. Edmund's Church – Update

Will hold their annual Garage Sale on
 Saturday, July 16th

Proceeds from the sale will be distributed between

The Tobermory Outreach Committee which arranges transportation to medical appointments for locals without cars and assists in paying utility bills for those in need

And Local Outreach Through the 'Summer in the Spirit Program'

MOTHERS DAY

More Than Just a Card

For some, Mother's Day is simple.
A card. A bunch of flowers. A moment to say
thank you.

For others, it's anything but.

Some miss a mother they can no longer call.
Some ache for a mother they never really had.
Some carry the quiet heartbreak of being a
mother to a child they've lost —
or never held at all.
Some long for motherhood, but it hasn't come.

Even those who celebrate joyfully still carry the
weight of tiredness, invisible sacrifices, and deep
emotional labour that rarely makes it into the
photos or the poems.

So, what do we do with a day like this, when a
single title can carry so many different stories?

We look to the God who holds them all.

The God who compares His care to a mother's
comfort (Isaiah 66:13).

The God who sees Hagar, a single mother
crying in the wilderness, and calls her by name
(Genesis 16).

The God who gives Ruth, widowed and
childless, a future and a legacy she never
imagined.

Motherhood is more than biology.
It's presence. It's nurture. It's sacrifice. It's
sometimes pain.

So today, we thank God for the mothers who
gave us life.

And for the women who showed us love even if
they weren't our mums.

And for the God who mothers us all with
unmatched compassion.

Because this day is more than just a card.
It's a reminder that love, like God,
holds space for every story.

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CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER

Wednesday May 20th 2026

1:00 to 4:00 PM

Faith Lutheran Church, Port Elgin
Join In Person or Virtually VIA TEAMS

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Finding Meaning & Moments of Joy in Caregiving
Sandra Hong – Public Education Coordinator
Alzheimer's Society Grey Bruce
1:30 – 2:30

Your Pharmacist: A Key Part of Your Health Care
Kristen's Pharmacy
2:45 – 3:45

To Register Please Contact
519-373-4135 Michelle.Cliche@VON.CA
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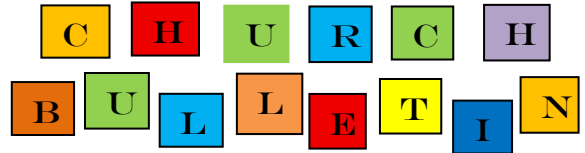
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SUNDAY HUMOUR



“Our mouths were filled with laughter”

Psalm 126:2



BLUNDERS!

Paraprosdokians
(A What?)

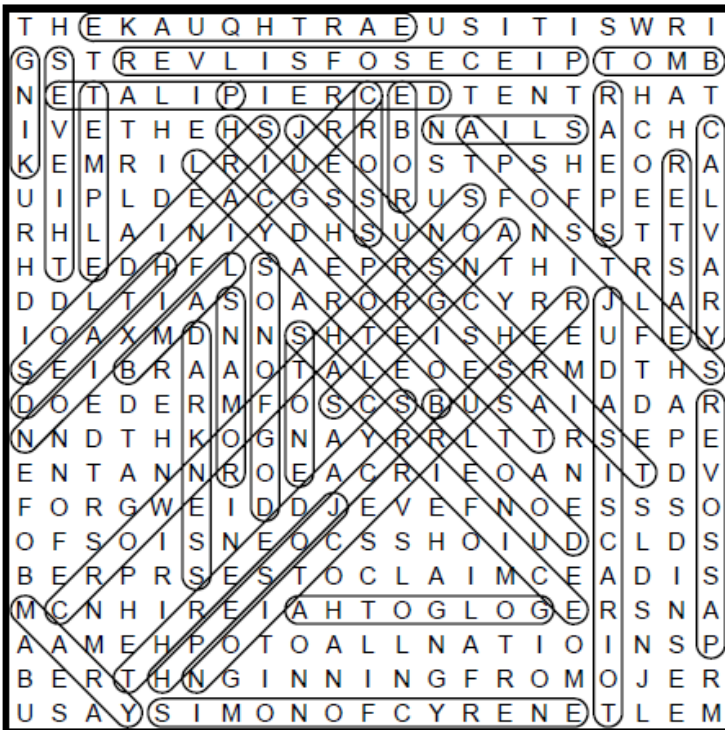


To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target!

Paraprosdokians written by
Unknown



Answer April Wordsearch Puzzle



Biblical Anagrams

April Answer:
God Loves A Cheerful Giver
2 Corinthians 9:7

New Anagram for April

Mouthy Aharon Rooney Rutherford

starts with: ...**H**.....

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Hint: verse is in Exodus

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MAY WORD SEARCH

People & Places From John's Gospel

Find each of the following words. Be prepared to tell one thing about each person or place.


ABRAHAM
AENON
ANDREW
BETHANY
BETHESDA
BETHLEHEM
BETHSAIDA
CAIPHAS
CANA
CAPERNAUM
CEPHAS
DAVID
DIDYMUS
EPHRAIM
GALILEE
GENTILES

JACOB
JEWRY
JORDAN
JOSEPH
JUDAS
JUDEA
LAZARUS
MARTHA
MARY OF BETHANY
MESSIAH
MOSES
MOUNT OF OLIVES
NATHANAEL
NAZARETH
NICODEMAS
NOBLEMAN

PHARISEES
PHILIP
PRIESTS
ROMANS
SAMARIA
SCRIBES
SILOAM
SIMON THE LEPER
SYCHAR
SYNAGOGUE
THE HOLY GHOST
THE MAN BORN BLIND
THE POOL OF SILOAM
THE PROPHET
THOMAS
TIBERIAS

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LUTHERAN & ANGLICAN CONGREGATIONS EVENTS CALENDAR – MAY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Lutheran & Anglican Ministries of the Bruce Peninsula Office 519-534-1604 Office Hours: Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.</p>					1.	2.
<p>3. 9:30 St. Peter's Trinity 11:30 Christ Church 2:00 St. Edmund's at</p>	4.	<p>5. 10:30 am Golden Dawn Service Lion's Head</p>	6.	<p>7. 10:00 a.m. <i>Virtual Bible Study</i></p>	8.	<p>9. 10:00 am Christ Church Council</p>
<p>Pastor Janaki On Book Study Leave</p>						
<p>10. Mother's Day 9:30 St. Peter's Trinity 11:30 Christ Church 2:00 St. Edmund's</p>	<p>11. 7:00 pm Lay Leaders Meeting</p>	12.	<p>13. 10:00 am Wiarton Joint Council Meeting Gateway Celebration of Life Service</p>	<p>14. 10:00 a.m. <i>Virtual Bible Study</i></p>	15.	16.
<p>17. 9:30 St. Peter's Trinity 10:00 St. Edmund's 11:30 Christ Church 7:00 St. Margaret's</p>	18.	19.	<p>20. 1:30 Wiarton Ladies Gathering 1:00 to 4:00 Care For The Caregiver</p>	<p>21. 10:00 a.m. <i>Virtual Bible Study</i></p>	22.	23..
<p>24. 9:30 St. Peter's Trinity 10:00 St. Edmund's 11:30 Christ Church</p>	25.	26.	27.	<p>28. 10:00 a.m. <i>Virtual Bible Study</i></p>	29.	30.
<p>Pastor Janaki On Book Study Leave</p>						
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