#### **40 Lenten Wellness Activities**

### **Spiritual Well-Being**

- 1. Go for a walk in nature and pray during your walk
- 2. Call someone you care about and ask them to name three things you can pray for. Then do it.
- 3. Read one psalm a day, or one before every meal.
- 4. Start a gratitude journal for the season of Lent.
- 5. Reach for your ELW (or All Creation Sings) and pick out a hymn to sing or hum today.

# **Emotional Well-Being**

- 6. Set healthy boundaries
- 7. Learn to deal with uncertainty
- 8. Start a practice of mindfulness for your Lenten devotions
- 9. Watch Brene Brown's video about empathy
- 10. Use positive self-talk
- 11. Make a thank you list of people who have helped you over your lifetime

### **Physical Well-Being**

- 12. Try strength training one day a week to start
- 13. Set a schedule to walk 5 minutes every hour of your work day
- 14. Skip the fad diet and forge your own path of healthy eating habits
- 15. Drink three glasses of water today
- 16. Before you get out of bed, take some deep breaths and do a full body stretch, giving thanks to God for the gift of being alive.
- 17. Sticking to a bed-time that allows to get needed sleep
- 18. Check out Portico's podcasts and listen to one (or more) on a walk or workout

### **Financial Well-Being**

- 19. Write a will
- 20. Check in with your Portico financial planner and your retirement account
- 21. Set a savings goal for the rest of the year
- 22. Make a list of charities you would like to (or already do!) support, and why their mission is important to you.
- 23. Review your credit card statements or checking deductions to see if you have any reoccurring subscriptions (Hulu, Netflix, etc.) that you are no longer using.

#### **Vocational Well-Being**

- 24. Find a mentor or be a mentor
- 25. Consider connecting with an ELCA Coach.
- 26. Check out the Resiliency Program by Learn to Live through myPortico.
- 27. Take a Spiritual Gifts Assessment

# **Intellectual Well-Being**

- 28. Pick a new podcast on a topic you know nothing about.
- 29. Write an acrostic poem about ways you can grow your faith; use the word "DISCIPLE"
- 30. Read the most recent copy of <u>Living Lutheran</u>
- 31. Join a book club in your community, or gather some friends together!
- 32. Get back to a hobby that you've let go that allows you to recreate

# **Social/Interpersonal Well-Being**

- 33. Say no to requests that you don't actually have the time or energy to fulfill.
- 34. Go ahead, have a little fun! Do something new or something you haven't done in awhile.
- 35. Go for a walk with a friend (bonus points as it also counts as physical well-being!)
- 36. Think of someone you don't like. Make a list of their good qualities to remind yourself they, too, are God's beloved child.
- 37. Invite a friend to coffee who you haven't caught up with in a while.
- 38. Write and mail one post card to a family member who could use some encouragement.
- 39. Laugh invite a friend to a fun movie and laugh together
- 40. Put your phone aside for a couple of hours a day