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A Wordle Easter

Easter is a six-letter word and cannot be a wordle word. But these simple five-letter words help explain the reaction, emotions, and experiences of the first Holy Week and Easter:

Holy Thursday

Jesus - the holy and faithful one, Savior of the world

Towel/Dirty - the humility of washing the disciples' feet

Table/Bless - Last Supper and First Eucharist

Bread/Drink - Part of Passover Supper and the Body and Blood of Christ

Alone - Jesus in the garden as the disciples slept

Shame - Peter's denial and Judas' betrayal

Good Friday

Crowd - the fickleness of Hosannas on Palm Sunday to Crucify him on Friday

Angry - the religious leaders and the crowd

Cross - the horrific instrument of death and unlikely locus of our salvation

Mercy - "Jesus the face of God's mercy" even from the cross

Death - Loss, sadness, seeming end Shock - Jesus' followers at Jesus' death

Grave - Jesus' burial and the hopes of his disciples

Easter Sunday

Light - Mary Magdalene's loving faithfulness at the break of day

Risen - Jesus and His promise for all of us

Alive - Hope, faith, love, joy in a new and saving way

Peace - the first gift of the Risen Jesus to His disciples

Glory - God's victory over sin and death

Loved - all of us beyond our wildest imagination

Halle - short for ALLELUIA - He is risen Jesus - "Thank" you

Happy Easter! Halle, Halle, Halle!

Live Jesus!

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