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### **Easter**

#### **Please give thanks for**

- The glorious good news of Easter that we can share.
- The opportunities that we have to share the good news with those around about us.
- The joy that the Easter message brings to all who understand it.

#### **Please pray for**

- God to continue to draw people to our church family over Easter.
- That any visitors will receive a warm welcome and want to come back to experience God in their life.
- That people would sign up for a post-Easter Christianity Explained group and come to faith through it.
- The Easter Care Home services to White Birch Lodge, the Laleham and St Peter's. These are Monday and Tuesday next week.
- For Denise, Anthony and the team involved in these especially the conversations after the service.
- The Maundy Thursday meal and breaking of bread.
- For Dave and the team as they cook.
- For those who attend to meet with God as we start our Easter weekend celebrations.
- The two services on Good Friday to enable us to wonder afresh at the depth of God's love for us shown in Jesus' sacrifice.
- The Easter Saturday breakfast – that we have many visitors who will engage with the Easter message.
- That some of those who come to the breakfast sign up for Christianity explained.
- The Easter Sunday morning services to be full of joy and to have many visitors who want to return to and join our church family in the weeks that follow.
- The Easter Sunday tea and praise service to give the church family an opportunity to deepen friendships and rejoice together.
- All those who will lead, speak, take part, host our Easter services.

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**Youth and children's**

**Please give thanks for**

- The successful start of our Wednesday youth work.
- The successful start of our once a month 11am children provision.
- The numbers who now attend Check it Out.
- The links with the schools.

**Please pray for**

- The Easter schools' services with Hampton Primary and Herne Bay Juniors to help children and adults see the real meaning of Easter. These are Wednesday and Thursday next week.
- The Easter assemblies at Herne Bay High to challenge teenagers to think about Jesus and his sacrifice in a helpful way. These are Thursday and Friday this week and Tuesday to Thursday next week.
- The post Easter assemblies in the primary schools.
- The formation of the team to run a creche at all our 11am services to be led by Hazel.
- The Sunday 11am children's provision especially this Sunday.
- The Wednesday young people who are investigating the Christian faith and who are asking good questions.
- The plans to develop the youth work with a possible weekend away in the summer.
- The Baby and Toddlers group for the team and the conversations that happen every Wednesday to lead people to think about Jesus.
- The Tuesday family Bay Ignite that those who don't yet believe come to faith.
- The Tuesday family Bay Ignite that those who do believe will be discipled, so their faith develops.
- The planning of the post Easter Check it Out programme.
- The Check It out team to know how to encourage the children and adults who do not believe to come to faith in Jesus.
- The Check It out team to know how to encourage the children and adults who do believe to grow in their faith in Jesus.

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