



Weekly News

Easter Day 5th April 2026

A family following Jesus

The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.'

Matthew 28 vs 5, 6 (NIV)

Welcome to our All Age Morning Service with communion led by Revd Karen Bugg

Order of Service

Welcome and notices

Call to worship

Opening prayer

Song 689: Thine be the glory

Egg hunt and story Part 1

Song: Man of sorrows

Egg hunt and story Part 2

Song 995: Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice

Egg hunt and story Part 3

Song 839: He has risen

All age communion

Intercessions

Song 1105: See, what a morning

Blessing

The Grace

On **Sunday 12th April** the Lower Hall will be in use for a child's birthday party from 1.00 to 4.30 pm.

Paul Altobell's (Celia's husband) funeral will be on **Sunday 12th April at 10.30am** at Greenacres Chiltern Park, Beaconsfield HP9 2XB. There will be a reception afterwards, from 12.15pm at The Rex Cinema, downstairs in the bar area. All church friends are invited.

We are intending to **spring clean** the church in the coming weeks. There is a list of tasks to be completed on the notice board in the kitchen corridor. Please sign up to tasks you intend to do, and tick when completed.

Very many thanks to those who supported the **Christian Aid Lent lunch**. We raised £442 including Gift Aid, which is wonderful. *Margaret Pike*

Meet & Make is on an Easter break, so there will be no Meet & Make on 7th or 14th April.

Open Church is taking a break over Easter, and won't be running 9th April.

First Steps will not be running this week due to the Easter holidays.

We are continuing to collect food and other grocery items for the DENS Foodbank; these are delivered to Hemel Hempstead each week. Please leave your contributions in the box in the church entrance.

Notices

Today, 5th April, will start with the town Sunrise Service at 7am in the castle grounds. Our church Easter Day service will follow at 10.30am.

Karen will be on holiday from Mon 6th - Sun 12th April. Whilst she is away, please contact the Leadership or Pastoral Care Team with any church related issues.

The **Ladies Group** meeting on 9th April, which was to join Open Church, is cancelled.

Their urgent needs include:

- Coffee
- Tinned ham/corned beef
- Tinned fruit
- Cooking sauces
- Long life juice/squash
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned sweetcorn
- Tinned vegetarian meals
- Chocolate
- Custard
- Rice pudding
- Jams and spreads
- Toothpaste
- Laundry liquids/tabs/powder
- 2-in-1 shampoo
- Carrier bags

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Prayers

Please pray for

- The Bible Study groups
- Christians who are unable to gather freely for worship
- Refugees throughout the world
- Our outreach to our community

From BMS World Mission

Give thanks that Philip and Rosemary Halliday are able to mentor French Baptist ministerial students and newly accredited pastors in order to give these people a great start to their pastoral positions.

Rejoice!

The stone is rolled away,
grave clothes neatly folded,
no more the smell of death,
behold the empty tomb!
Halleluia! He is risen!

Rejoice!

Scripture has been fulfilled,
the sting of death is gone,
the victory has been won,
behold the risen Christ!
Halleluia! He is risen!

Rejoice!

The curtain's torn in two,

our God invites us in,
Christ's sacrifice enough
to wash away our sins!

Halleluia! He is risen!

From <https://www.faithandworship.com/>

Hope is a gift from you Lord.

Hope soars upwards when all is falling.

Hope rides high on the stormy waves.

Hope dances in the darkest places.

Hope rings out across the fields of devastation.

Hope remains strong amidst crushing burdens.

Hope opens hearts that have been neglected or rejected.

Hope belongs to you, because you rose again,
beyond the grave.

Hope declares, life and faith and true love wins!
Always!

Amen.

Prayer courtesy of www.prayerscapes.com

I will exalt you, my God the King;

I will praise your name for ever and ever.

Every day I will praise you

and extol your name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.

One generation commends your works to another;
they tell of your mighty acts.

They speak of the glorious splendour of your majesty
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

They tell of the power of your awesome works –
and I will proclaim your great deeds.

They celebrate your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

Psalms 145 vs 1 - 7 (NIV)

And finally...

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. *1 Peter 1 v 3 (NIV)*

Items for the next News Sheet to Chris Hayward by Thursday 9th April, please

Motto text 2026: So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.
Colossians 2 vs 6 - 7 (NIV)