Holy Week 2020



Stay home, stay safe, celebrate Easter



Easter and Holy Week in 2020 is going to be very different to any year we've known before

With thanks to Engage Worship https://www.engageworship.org/articles/easter-and-holy-week-streaming-and-home-worship?fbclid=lwAR2ay8rlm0GSin8go0u-5OyRAPoSgg61mW4xb8HIU4KovmFGIjvEpl5KcBo

They have made clear that all of the resources are available to be <u>streamed and</u> <u>shared</u> during the current crisis (as have their friends at <u>Resound Worship</u> with their songs, videos and backing tracks). So dive in to these ideas...

Palm Sunday

The <u>Lent Family Creative Journal</u> pages available for free download. There is a Palm Sunday page which would be great to email to friends and use as families.

"The Clip Clop Beat" is a joyful celebration song for Palm Sunday from the Rhyming Bible Songs album.

https://www.engageworship.org/store/product/rhyming-bible-songs-cd or https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=6&v=kyFZ93k_0AU&feature=emb_l ogo

There is a sharable lyric video - put it on loud and dance around the living room with whatever "palm branches" you can fashion! A great song to remind us of the events of Palm Sunday, a chance to sing, dance and celebrate

There are a bunch of Palm Sunday <u>interactive readings</u>, by <u>Bob Hartman</u> and <u>Dave</u> **Hopwood**, which would be fun to engage with at home or lead over a video.



Maundy Thursday

The song When My Flesh is Weak

https://www.resoundworship.org/song/when_my_flesh_is_weak_watching_and_praying_joins with Jesus and the disciples in Gethsemane. Watch or stream the video.

Richard Lyall has set the text of <u>1 Corinthians 11</u> in an attractive visual style. Powerpoint file 1_Cor_11.23-26

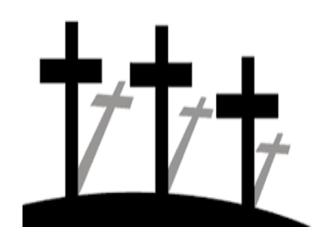


The institution of Holy Communion

- the sharing of the bread and wine



Good Friday



The song Let Us Kneel has striking video you can watch and stream.

https://www.engageworship.org/ideas/let-us-kneel-song-and-video

The <u>Psalm 22</u> video offers a stark, contemporary engagement with the Psalm spoken by Jesus on the cross. Ideal for streaming and sharing online.

<u>Jesus Died For Them</u> poem can be used for reflection and prayer.

Judas betrayed Jesus, Peter denied Jesus, Thomas doubted Jesus: Jesus died for them.

Pilate rejected Jesus, Herod taunted Jesus, Caiaphas framed Jesus: Jesus died for them.

The soldiers crucified Jesus, the disciples deserted Jesus, the people laughed at Jesus: Jesus died for them. Mary wept for Jesus, the women anointed Jesus, Joseph buried Jesus: Jesus rose for them.

We have doubted Jesus, we have denied Jesus, we rejected Jesus: but Jesus died for us.

Holy Saturday

This often-forgotten day gives us space to sit in the experience of Jesus having died, and resurrection not having yet come. The song **The Stone**



https://www.resoundworship.org/song/the_stone was written specifically into this space (although it is also usable on Good Friday). There is a video you can share or stream.

This could be a season where God is teaching his people to lament. Make use of Richard's **Lamentations 3** video, with its edgy soundtrack and graphics.

Waiting on the Risen Jesus

Like drops of water running together, we have come here to wait for you.

Like the disciples in the locked room, we are longing for you.

We have heard stories that you are alive. we are hoping to meet you.

Like drops of water running together, we have come here to wait for you.

We are waiting to meet you,

but some of us aren't sure that we will.

Some of us have lost our hope.

Some of us are sceptical.

Some of us need you to be real so much.

Like drops of water running together, we have come here to wait for you.

Lord, meet us here,

greet us with your peace,

bring us together like drops of water into a flood, into a blessing.



On Saturday evening the new Paschal Candle is

Blessed and Lit

This gives the Light of Christ for the coming year

Easter Sunday





Bob Hartman serves us well today, with two funny **Easter Poems**, an interactive **Resurrection Story**, and a powerful **Jesus Is Alive reading**. These could all be used via video or read at home.

The combination of poems and visuals in the **Recognising You** resource is really impactful. Consider how you could make use of this.

The song **Christ Was Raised**

https://www.resoundworship.org/song/christ was raised

is a triumphant song celebrating the impact the resurrection has over every aspect of God's creation.

If you want a softer song with a message of peace from the risen Jesus, try the song **Listen to the Words**.

https://www.resoundworship.org/song/listen_to_the_words_peace_be_with_you

St Lawrence Youngsters making the sign of the cross with their hands



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