

TODAY PALM SUNDAY

9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
11.00am Palm Sunday Worship with Colin & Nicola
2.30pm Community Care Ministries at Deerhurst

4.00-5.30pm *Easter Crafts* – see inside

Monday 26th March

8.00pm CAMEO Craft Group – Easter Cards

Tuesday 27th March

11am-3pm & 6-9pm 'A Walk through Holy Week'

Wednesday 28th March

3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World

Thursday 29th March MAUNDY THURSDAY

10.30am "Meet & Greet" 12.30pm Lunch Club

2.00pm Friendship Club – maybe making Easter Bonnets!
7.30pm 'Calvary Track' A reflective look at Jesus' journey to the cross

Friday 30th March GOOD FRIDAY 9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World

10am: 'Music & Hot Cross Buns' in the Square

11am: **Good Friday Service**

Saturday 31st March

10am-12pm NO Coffee Morning Sunday 1st April EASTER SUNDAY

9.00am Easter Breakfast – PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE FOYER

11.00am **Easter Worship** with Colin & Nicola

12.30pm *Easter March* led by the Band, everyone can join in!

5.00pm **NO** Worship



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The Weekly Bulletin for Palm Sunday 25th March 2018

The bible says people cut palm branches and waved them in the air, laid them out on the ground before Jesus as He rode into the city. The palm branch represented goodness and victory and was symbolic of the final victory He would soon fulfil over death.



Jesus chose to ride in on a donkey. In Biblical times, it was common for important people to arrive by a procession riding on a donkey. The donkey symbolized peace, so those who chose to ride them showed that they came with peaceful intentions. Jesus reminded us that He is the Prince of Peace.

When the people shouted "Hosanna!" they were hailing Christ as King. That word actually means "save now," and though in their own minds they waited for an earthly king, God had a different way in mind of bringing true salvation to all who would trust in Him.

We have so much to be grateful for this week. In this Holy Week, may God direct your thoughts and attention towards what matters most, Jesus Christ our King. Let's choose to focus on worshipping our Lord, thanking Him for the gift of His sacrifice, celebrating the power of the Resurrection, and the new life found in Him alone.

We invite you join us on the Journey from Bethlehem starting today in worship & at our Easter Family Crafts. See these and other events iside.

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ANNUAL STATISTICS BULLETIN: Please continue to send your statistics to Andy Sims at handasims@yahoo.co.uk week by week. Thank You.

EASTER BULLETIN: Holy Week 'Journey to Calvary'

Sunday 25th March: 11am: Palm Sunday Worship

4-5.30pm Easter Family Crafts . These craft events are become something of a tradition at Staple Hill - the Christmas one was packed! A great opportunity to relax, spend time with your friends and share the Easter in craft. Why not

come along & bring someone with you.

Monday 26th March: 'A Night at the Cinema' We are very

disappointed, that due to commercial reasons, the major film studios are not showing 'Mary Magdalene' during Holy Week. Therefore, we have cancelled our trip to the cinema although we intend to buy the film and show it next year.

Instead, you can go to **CAMEO at 8pm** where they will be making Easter Cards. If you can, bring a cutting board, small sharp scissors or a craft knife.

Tuesday 27th March: 'A Walk through Holy Week' 11am-3pm & 6-9pm

Pop in when you can, for as long as you can.

Thursday 29th March: 'Calvary Track' At 7.30pm, a reflective look at the

Journey Jesus made to the cross, music provided by the Songsters, followed by Hot Cross Buns.

Friday 30th March: 10am: 'Music & Hot Cross Buns' in the Square

11am: Good Friday Service

Sunday 1st April: 9am: Easter Breakfast (sign up in the Fover)

11am: Easter Worship

12.30pm: **Easter March** for the Band & everyone!

Linda James wants old unwanted keys for Holy week - See Linda!

APRIL BULLETIN:

Sunday 15 th April	Worship led by Majors Diaper-Clausen
Monday 16 th April	Mission Council Meeting
Saturday 21st April	Fundraising event led by Youth Group
Sunday 29 th April	Pastoral Care Council Meeting

PRAYER BULLETIN: staplehillprayers@gmail.com

Why not join the global wave of prayer

10th - 20th May? We intend to and we would encourage you to join us, corporately & individually. You can do it with us at the Hall at a number of events THY KINGDOM ranging from combined Cell Groups, open musical practices, a Prayer Concert of reflective music, creative prayer reflections. Or you can do it at home. Linda will



be preparing material for you to use in your own time. Why not visit the global website to get a feel of what's ahead: https://www.thykingdomcome.global

Pray as an individual. Pray as a family. Pray as a Church.

"During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who participates will deepen their friendship with Jesus, bring others to know Jesus or know him better, and come to know that every aspect of their life is the stuff of prayer".

11 Themes for 11 Days:

Jesus, Praise, Thanks, Sorry, Offer, Pray For, Help, Adore, Celebrate, Silence, Thy Kingdom Come

Pledge2Pray

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN:

Please continue to remember Ed Bowen - the funeral arrangements for Maureen are still unconfirmed. Bob Perkins, Jill Welling & David Nee are all far from well and continue to need your prayers & support.

Plus there maybe others you know of

Congratulations to Joe Saint on passing his driving test!



"I'm not a saint. unless you think of a saint as a sinner that keeps on trying"

(Nelson Mandela)

