THE WEEK TO COME

Today 1st April EASTER SUNDAY 9.00am Easter Breakfast

11.00am *Easter Worship* with Colin & Nicola

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

5.00pm **NO** Worship

Tuesday 3rd April

8.00pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 4th April

3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World

Thursday 5th April

10.30am"Meet & Greet"12.30pmLunch Club2.00pmFriendship Club8.00pmSongster Practice

Friday 6th April

9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World

Saturday 7th April

10am-12pm Coffee Morning

Sunday 8th April

9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers

11.00am *Sunday Worship* with Colin & Nicola

5.00pm *Second Sunday Special* with Colin & Nicola

The full programme of exciting activities & events resumes the following week starting Monday 7th April

ANNUAL STATISTICS BULLETIN:

For the remainder of April, please continue to send your statistics to Andy Sims at handsims@yahoo.co.uk week by week. *Thank You*

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
Sunday 29th April	Adult Safeguarding Event (5pm)

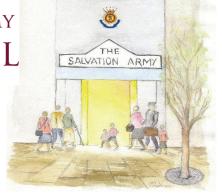


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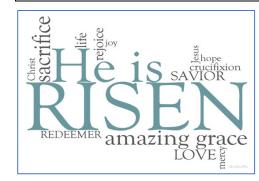
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The Weekly Bulletin for Easter Sunday 1st April 2018



I wonder what has been the highlight of your Holy Week this year? Palm Sunday with the Easter Crafts? CAMEO? The amazing 'Walk through Holy Week' prepared by Linda James? Maundy Thursdays 'Calvary Track'? Good Friday Worship or the 'Witness in the Square'? Perhaps it will be todays Easter Breakfast, Worship & March?

For me, it has been the Songsters & Songster Leader Phil James. Their singing on Thursday evening & Friday morning was truly inspirational which made everything they sang very believable. However, it was Phil's singing of my favourite song 'Bow the Knee' that I shall remember most. Phil sang the song as he moved along the red track to Calvary. Beautiful music. Powerful words. Passionately sung. Visually



perfectly captured as the song culminated with Phil kneeling at the foot of the cross.



A place I pray we all visit this Easter.

In the song 'Written in Red', the Songsters sang beautifully "That's what Calvary says, I love you". This Easter, Jesus is saying to me & you I LOVE YOU

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What does Easter mean to some children in Ghana? (Compassion Magazine)

Edwina Elorm Tettey, aged 15 "In my church Easter is all about prayer, mourning, rejoicing and thanksgiving. Good Friday is the day Jesus was crucified, we go to church in mourning clothes. On Sunday, we dress in white clothes and go to church rejoicing and praising God. Easter is a happy day because the day reminds me of what Jesus did for me. I am happy also because I have hope of going to heaven if I believe in Jesus and look up to Him for help".

Derick Nana Kwame Antwi, aged 16 "Jesus has brought a lot into my life. Without Jesus, I would not know God, I wouldn't have been going to church, and I would not even try to do what is right. The Bible has taught me to be humble and obedient just like how Jesus humbled himself even though he was a king. He even came to serve others. What I like about Easter is how Christians come together during the period. Easter serves as a period of unification of church members who converge at convention grounds throughout the week".

Leticia Esinam Agbemazi, aged 15 "Easter is not a celebration as such. It is a time to reflect and be grateful to God. It is also a time to repent of our sins and forgive one another for the bad things we might have done to one another".

Frank Elorm Gah, aged 13 "I am both sad and happy at Easter. I am sad because Jesus suffered so much for my sake, but I am happy because at the end He gave me the hope of heaven because He took away all my sins". Some of my friends become afraid when they hear about hell. So I will just tell them that if they want to go to heaven, they must take Jesus as the Lord and Saviour".

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN:

Continue to remember Ed Bowen, Bob Perkins, Jill Welling & David Nee.

Jakub Pyman celebrated his 18th birthday on 29th March – Congratulations!



Colin & Nicola celebrate their Silver Wedding Anniversary on Tuesday 3rd April. We give you both our congratulations and grateful thanks for your service to God and your friendship to



each & everyone of us in this fellowship. Have a great day on Tuesday!

PRAYER BULLETIN: staplehillprayers@gmail.com

Thy Kingdom Come - a global wave of prayer 10th - 20th May

We would encourage you to join us, corporately & individually. You will be able to pray corporately with us at the Hall at a number of events or you can pray 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". **Sounds great, so why not get involved?**

11 Themes for 11 Days:

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

Pledge2Pray

Pray for five friends. Praying for others to know Jesus is one of the most powerful things we can do. Persistent prayer for others brings transformation to their lives. Consistently praying for others takes discipline, and there are many ways that we can build up habits that will help us to pray for our friends and family. Choose five people you would regularly like to pray for and write their names down onto a list. If you're not sure who to pray for, ask God to guide you as you choose. Once you have settled on 5 names, commit to praying for them regularly by praying the following:

"Loving Father, in the face of Jesus Christ your light and glory have blazed forth. Send your Holy Spirit that I may share with my friends the life of your



Son and your love for all. Strengthen me as a witness to that love as I pledge to pray for them, for your name's sake. Amen".

