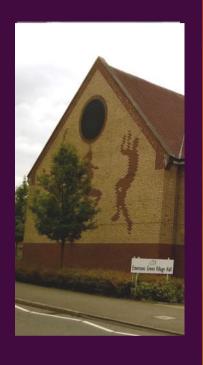


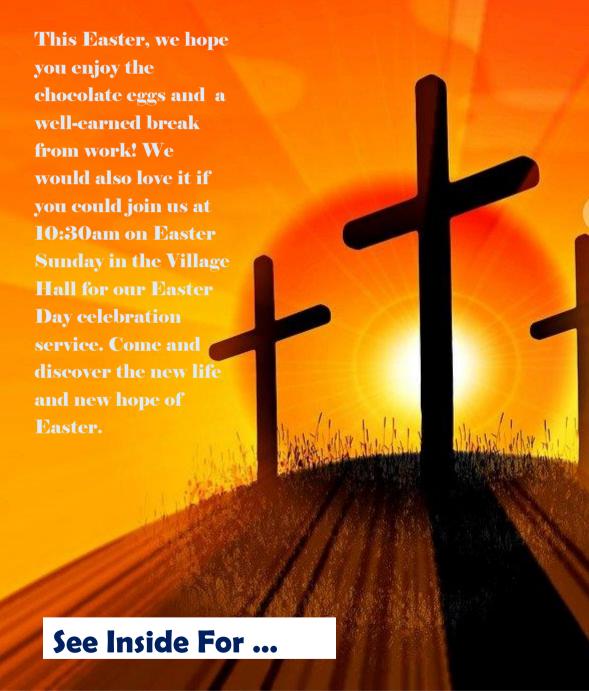
EMERSONS GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Serving the Community since 1997



We are a Family
Friendly Church who
meet for Sunday
Morning services at
10.30am each week
in Emersons Green
Village Hall. We
would love to see
you at one of our
services.

We provide a Sunday school with crafts, stories and fun for younger children.









Happy Easter!

When it comes to writing an article about Easter, we tend to think about the story of the resurrection. The Easter Sunday story when Jesus rose from the dead. Because of that we talk about new life. In our culture we usually then speak about spring, new buds and flowers. We have images of chicks and portray the picture of new life and new possibilities because of the resurrection of Jesus to new life.



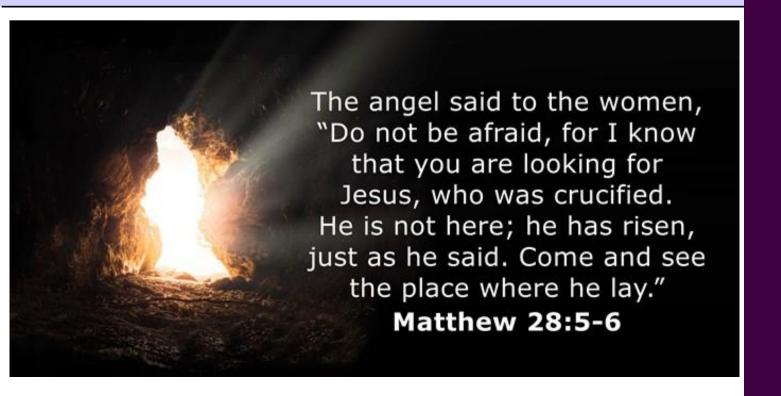
Rev Kevin Donaghy

But the other part of the Easter story, the first part, is the Good Friday event. Jesus died on the cross. The sadness of that day should never be forgotten, Jesus had done no wrong. Even those who wanted him dead had to make up charges against him. He was arrested, mocked, beaten and flogged. He was executed on a cross and died there whilst those standing nearby hurled insults at him. But to get to the glory and joy of Easter Sunday Jesus had to pass through the sadness, pain and darkness of Good Friday.

For many of us, we may be going through great sadness and worry, some of us are suffering from physical or mental problems whilst for others the darkness may be from financial problems and difficulties. There are so many things that cause us to go through dark periods and we wonder if there is any light at the end of the tunnel.

The Easter message is that light is in the world. Even in those darkest periods there is hope. When Jesus rose, he rose to new life which brought with it hope. Anyone who turns to Jesus can also receive that new hope. Speak to Jesus this Easter. Just have a conversation with him and start to move out of the darkness of your worries into the light of new hope.

We wish all of you a Happy Easter







Our vibrant Rainbow Tots toddlers' group meet for fun, play, crafts, singing and games every Friday morning from 10am - 11.30am (term time only) in the Village Hall. It only costs £4 per session. Pay as you go! We usually have around 30 toddlers each session with Mums, Dads and Grandparents enjoying the chance to chat and see the children have fun together. It's a great way to make friends and have some fun! Come along one week and give it a go!

