



Prayer for Easter Day

By Karen Stallard, Union Chapel Minister

Gracious God

We thank you for the great reassurance we can discover through the resurrection story.

Thank you for the hope we have that our suffering is only momentary.

Thank you that your Spirit can bring new life even at the point of death.

We think of all those who are suffering as this time, whether it be through poverty, sickness, oppression, violence, war, famine or floods.

We ask that a resurrected hope which brings reassurance be with them at this time of suffering.

We thank you for the great reassurance we can discover through the resurrection story.

For Children Everywhere at Easter

By Andrew Gardner, Union Chapel Heritage and Outreach Worker

Joy! Life! Spring!

Do things sometimes make you sad? They do me, sometimes they make me cry. Grown-ups are allowed to sometimes. But I'd like you to think about all the things that make you happy, that make you laugh, or dance, or fall about because you love life so much. If you like, and I'd like you to, you can jump up and down every time you think, "Spring!"

Joy! Life! Spring!

We praise you Lord for the hope in life You bring.
Let us be upstanding in our worship,
With Joy! Life! Spring!



The winter months are fading now, at last,
The relief of daylight greets us as we wake,
With Joy! Life! Spring!

Life unfading, never ending,
You promise
On this Earth, that was Your own choice to provide
And in the world to come.

We praise Your gifts
With Joy! Life! Spring!
Bless us Lord on this happiest of days,
With Joy! Life! Spring!