

Connect Prayers for EASTER Day 4 **The Start: Renewal**

Prayer: *Thank you, God, you make all things new!*

Philippians 3:10 ,11: I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

Meditate: Paul is reflecting on the amazing way that we get connected to the Easter story when we die to sin and become alive through Christ.

Give thanks to the Lord for how we are re-born children of God. Allow your prayers to be framed by thankfulness.

The Middle: What Easter means...

What Eastertide thoughts could you write taking the letters Jesus Christ?

Joining in a birdsong

Eying an early sunrise

Smelling yellow daffs

Unbolting windows and doors

Skipping down the garden

Cuddling newborns

Hoping for change

Relaxing in sunshine

Inhaling fresh air

Sprinkling seeds for summer

Testing my trust in Jesus today.



The Middle: A prayer from Walter Brueggemann

You summon us to life in the midst of death, peace in the midst of violence, praise in the midst of despair. Filled once again with your unruly Spirit, may we answer your summons and be part of the movement of life. Amen.