EASTER GREETINGS 2019

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. (Luke 24:1-3)

So much joy exists within us when we know that Easter is about to arrive. Our spirits are lifted, and an air of excitement comes over us. So many thoughts come with the season. Springtime... New life... New birth... Budding trees and blooming flowers and the thought that the dark days of winter are over. Sunny days are longer and the birds cheerful song greets us as we go out the door in the morning.

We can add to all of our joyful thoughts and experience that of the real reason for Easter... Resurrection. The Resurrection of Jesus the Christ at Eastertime. Easter's Resurrection account is the main theological tenent of Christianity. A Christian faith not defined by resurrection is really no faith at all. It takes time for one to mature into what the Resurrection might mean for one's life. A life of stories, questioning, studying, and worshipping gets you to that place where beliefs become part of the story of your life and you are able to embrace life in all its wholeness.

As Christian people, we are an Easter people. Living into what the Resurrection means for our faith life. I encourage you during this Eastertime to be a part of your local faith community. A place where you are free to worship God, in prayer, praise, and song. And if you want... to engage with others in exploration of their faith.

The churches of Trinity Hastings and Roseneath United encourage you to be part of exciting Easter news within our midst. Our hope is that you will come and be part of a worshipping, welcoming, faith community.

As you journey into the season of Easter, may the spirit of the living Christ, be renewed in your spirit. May the promise of new birth be born and reborn in you. And may the Holy Spirit infuse your heart and soul with the love of God forever. Amen.

Easter Blessings,

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Worship & Church Activities

Sunday April 14 Palm Sunday Worship & Communion Hastings 9:15 Roseneath 11:00 am
Thursday April 18 Maundy Thursday Table Gathering & Communion Hastings 6:30 pm
Friday April 19 Good Friday Worship & Communion Roseneath 7:30 pm

Sunday April 21 Easter Sunday Services Hastings 9:15 Roseneath 11:00 am