

# Easter Outreach and Celebration

## **EASTER IS NOT CANCELED! Let the celebration begin!**

We may not be gathering together in the church building this year, but Easter is not canceled! Nothing can stop God's people from celebrating the resurrection and life that we find through Jesus, and God's promises fulfilled on Easter day! In the face of this current crisis, the good news of Easter is exactly what the world is in need of. Let us not forget that what we profess as God's Church is truly GOOD NEWS!

Below are some suggestions for how you can celebrate Easter and reach out with the good news of Jesus, in the midst of the present quarantine:

1. Share to your own Facebook page the videos we will be posting to the Orchard Hill Church Fellowship Facebook page on Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Saturday, Easter Sunday, and follow-up Monday. These videos will help to walk people through the gospel multiple times over the course of the week in an interesting and engaging way and will shed light on the meaning of each day! By simply clicking "share" on these videos, you open up the opportunity to anyone you are friends with on Facebook to hear the gospel in a new way!
2. Invite someone you want to share the gospel with to read through one of the gospels with you over Holy Week. Follow up with them on Easter Sunday and share the hope you have using the FOUR gospel tool (found on [orchardhill.org](http://orchardhill.org) under the "Outreach" tab as "Share Your Faith").
3. Host a Facebook Watch Party (a new feature of Facebook) that will allow all your Facebook friends to watch the Easter morning service live via your Facebook post!
4. Make an Easter parade and walk around your neighborhood! Greet everyone you see with "Happy Easter (from six feet away)," and tell them why you are celebrating! Ask if there is anything you can be praying for, for them.
5. Decorate your windows, yard, or the exterior of your home with Easter celebration decorations.
6. Go for a walk and drop off Easter gifts or cards to the porches of the homes in your area.
7. Set up a facetime or Zoom call with friends and family to celebrate from afar!
8. Make a special Easter meal together.
9. Tape off a window in your home and use washable paint to make an Easter-themed stained-glass window for your neighbors to enjoy. Use window markers to write Bible verses as well.
10. Put a sign outside your home with your phone number, encouraging anyone in need of prayer, or who want to know about the hope of Easter in Jesus, to call or text you!
11. Have an outdoor worship service with your neighbors from your driveway or from 6 feet away!
12. Join the painted rock phenomenon and paint some Easter themed rocks of hope to place around your neighborhood, local parks, etc.
13. Read one of the resurrection accounts found in the gospels out loud with those in your home.
14. Whatever else the Lord puts on your heart!

Family of God, the truth is that reaching out and sharing hope in Jesus is not complicated. For those who know Him, it comes from the overflow of love that He has given us, His children! We are praying you set aside fear and go out boldly this Easter, celebrating as you share God's love with the world in need!