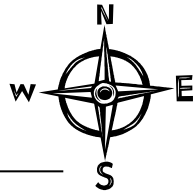


# Prayer Points



## ***Rising to new life.***

April, and the glorious new life of Spring is emerging everywhere. We pray for ourselves and for our world that the Lenten period may lead us to new life in you, our God.

We pray that we and our world may give to new life, rejecting prejudice, aggression, hypocrisy, greed and obsessive self interest and all the things that drag us down.

We pray that we and our world may greet with courage and confidence our risen Lord, who suffered rejection, false accusations, violence and ultimately death on the cross with dignity, to rise to new life and demonstrate that ongoing forgiveness and renewal is available for us.

We pray for ourselves and for our world that in Jesus' name we may reject evil to live that risen life of love and compassion for the betterment of each other, our world and all mankind.

Just as I am without one plea  
But that thy blood was shed for me  
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee  
O Lamb of God I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve  
Because thy promise I believe  
O Lamb of God I come.

Just as I am of that free love  
The breadth, length, depth and height to prove  
Here for a season then above  
O Lamb of God I come.

*Verses from the hymn by Charlotte Elliott*

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