



Ramsgate Salvation Army


Sunday 7th April 2024

Love God
Love Others

A warm welcome as we gather as the family of God today,
especially if you are not normally with us on a Sunday.

May we all feel the welcome of God and each other.

We meet at The Salvation Army Hall Sunday 10.30 am.

Also Sunday worship is livestreamed on  **YouTube**

You can find a link on the Ramsgate Salvation Army Web page

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Does anything stop you from seeing Jesus?



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What's happening at Ramsgate Salvation Army?

Sunday 7 th April	10.00 Prayers 10.30 Sunday worship and Sunday School 4.30pm Café Church - Cameo Appearances
Monday to Friday (6.30am-9am)	Breakfast Drop-in
Monday (9.30 am – 11.30 am)	No Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler group) ACES No Alpha
Tuesday	Prayer Meeting 9.30am (Upper Room) Food Parcel preparation The Well 10.30 – 12 Light Lunch 12 noon Ukrainian Community Hub 12 noon Bible study 1pm No ZOOM bible study 7pm (8651865167) (Marriage Preparation Classes)
Wednesday (from 11 am)	Friendship club and Lunch club No Kids Club Music Lessons Adult Music Practices (7pm-9pm)
Thursday	Forward Trust Drumming Workshop
Friday	Food Bank Ukrainian Language Class 1.30pm No Kids Club 5.30 to 7.00pm, No Youth Fellowship from 7.30pm
Saturday 13 th April	Ukrainian Drop -In
Sunday 14 th April	Sunday Worship 10.30am Café Church – Cameo Appearances 4.30pm

Central Southern Area Fellowship Band (Ken Clark) and Ladies Chorus
(Karen Todd) **11/12 May**



Thanks to XXX for the flowers.

Birthdays this week

Jacqueline Freeston	Sunday 7-April
David Miles	Sunday 7-April
David Richards	Sunday 7-April
Ben Anderson	Monday 8-April
Leah Pearce	Tuesday 9-April
Muriel Beckett	Thursday 11-April
Douglas Mackinney	Thursday 11-April

We pray for Peter Harden.

We uphold Lynda in our prayers as she recovers from her operation.

We pray for Annie who had a bad fall and spent some time in hospital.

We pray for Mick, Angela's brother-in-law diagnosed with a tumour. Angela lost her sister, Teresa, Mick's wife, last year.

We continue to pray for Amie (a good friend of Ellie's) who is 31 weeks pregnant and after weeks in a London hospital has been allowed to stay home. The doctors are now less concerned believing that Amie can now use her local hospital when the time comes. We give thanks to God but continue to pray for the health of mum and baby.

Uphold Sue Layton in prayer as her angina is causing her concern. For David Robertson after his recent cancer surgery.

We pray for Doreen, as she recovers at home after her surgery last week in St Thomas's hospital.

We continue to uphold Pauline's daughters Karen and Rebecca. Rebecca is still experiencing back pain after the accident. Lord may treatment come soon.

Pauline's sister Doreen and family friend Nick who is very unwell. Be near dear Lord.

We do not forget prayers for Janet's brother Graham, her son Richard and Janet herself. For Natasha's mum Deborah, and for Nick's father, John. We continue to ask protection and hope for Jess as she has had to move out of area. Meet her needs, Lord.

We pray for Emma. For the tests she requires and for your protection on her life. We also bring to you Russel's mum as she faces tests for suspected cancer.

Bring peace to the hearts responsible for war. Especially in Ukraine and Gaza.

Why on Easter Sunday did they decide to take a walk to Emmaus?

Emmaus is not mentioned anywhere else in the Bible.

Archaeologists have not been able to work out where it was located. They have not been able to identify any ruins. Why Emmaus?

Frederick Buechner says because Emmaus was “no place in particular really.” He says, the only reason Cleopas and the other disciple went there was that because it was some seven miles distant from a situation that had become unbearable.

Cleopas and the other disciple had just been through Good Friday which had not felt so good at the time. Jesus whom they had believed was the promised messiah, the promised king, who would restore Israel to a land of independence and freedom and respect again had instead been crucified. They had given three years of their lives to the vision of an Israel without oppression, without poverty, without shame, without injustice. They really believed that Jesus would establish that kingdom.

Then he died on a cross instead.

And just that morning to make things even worse, some of the women who were disciples of Jesus had said that they had talked to angels at the cemetery who told them that Jesus was not dead but alive and they did not know what to make of this and it was all too much and so they had taken off for Emmaus just to be somewhere that wasn't Jerusalem.

Fred Buechner says that there is not one of us who has not gone to Emmaus with them. Emmaus, he says, can be a trip to the cinema just for the sake of seeing a film. Emmaus may be buying new clothes or a new car or smoking more cigarettes that we really want to, or reading a second-rate novel or even writing one. Emmaus, he says, may be going to church on Sunday. Emmaus is whatever we do or wherever we go to get away from our confusion, our disappointment, our lostness. Emmaus is where we go when we are lost where we are - and we may as well go somewhere else.

On the road to Emmaus we hear footsteps behind us. It is a stranger. At least no one we recognise. And the stranger says to us, “Tell me your stories.” Tell me what has been going on in your life, in your world. Tell me what life looks like to you, what it feels like. Let me see inside your soul. Tell me your story. Jesus meets on our road to Emmaus and listens to our story and tells us His. It is the journey towards resurrection. If you are trying to escape, will you talk with Him today?