

# THE WONDER OF PRAYER

## EASTER – DELIGHTING IN THE NEW



*'Nicodemus, who had first come to Jesus at night, came now in broad daylight...' (John 19:39, The Message)*

God who makes all things new -

- Lead us from the night-time of our fears into the bright daylight of new possibilities.
- Give your Church wisdom to treasure what is precious from our traditions whilst also welcoming the new and untried.
- Breathe your Holy Spirit over the new Fuse worship events which gather young people in our diocese for prayer and worship.
- Bless the entrepreneurs in our communities, those with the courage to start new ventures, that their endeavours will bear good fruit.
- We pray for the World Health Organisation's 'Healthy Beginnings, Hopeful Futures' initiative, a year-long campaign for improvements to maternal and newborn health around the world.





# **Diocese of Canterbury**

## **CHANGED LIVES ➞ CHANGING LIVES**

**Jesus Christ, whose rising heralded the new creation,**

**Give us courage to follow you into the new:**

**To embrace the unfamiliar,**

**To explore the uncharted,**

**And so to become the Church which the world needs us  
to be.**

**Amen.**

Nicodemus went from fearful questioner to unashamed disciple; from a nervous enquiry by night to a public act of service in broad daylight. What might help us and our churches to become more courageous?

To find out more about the Changing Lives Prayer network, visit [canterburydiocese.org/prayer](https://canterburydiocese.org/prayer) or email [Lbywater@diocant.org](mailto:Lbywater@diocant.org)

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