



Table Prayer Easter — Preparing for Baptism

Table Center

A large clear bowl of water, floating candles (do not add to the water until after the blessing with water), a small vigil light for each person

+ We Gather...

We pray...

The Lord is Risen, Alleluia! We gather at this table in celebration of the feast of all feasts—Easter. All powerful God, help us to proclaim the power of the Lord's resurrection. May we who await the waters of baptism that Jesus has called us to bless ourselves now with this water in celebration of our desire to be Easter people. Amen.

Continue by saying...

People of water, people of light, we light our candles today in celebration of the people who have been the light of Christ for us this past year.

(Light the candles and invite those gathered to share the who that person is and why they have chosen this person.)

+ We Tell the Story...

Invite someone to proclaim the Scripture reading...

"You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people God claims for his own to proclaim the glorious works of the One who called you from darkness into his marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9)

+ We Bless Our Food...

We pray...

God of light, bless this food we gather to share in celebration of Easter. In the breaking and sharing of food together may we be nourished to be people of light and hope in the world, we ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

+ We Go Forth...

Offer each person in attendance a small vigil light – challenge them to go forward and be the light of Christ.

