THE Dish

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"When the thief on the cross beside Jesus arrived in heaven, the angel asked how he got there. He said, The man on the middle cross said I can come.'"

Alistair Begg

Dear Friends,

As Easter approaches, I give thanks for the hope of the resurrection and for new life. I give thanks for the people who have blessed us and who are enjoying eternal life in heaven. I also pray for those suffering close by and far away. My gratitude and joy are always a bit tempered in knowing others are hurting. I hope we all can find ways to reflect God's love and compassion.

As you've heard me say many times, hospitality is one of the beautiful ways we love each other. When we open our homes, we open our hearts.

As you plan your Easter menus for this special occasion. I give you my favorite that you've seen featured in *The Dish* before. As the saying goes, "If it's not broken, don't fix it!" I reprint this Easter newsletter every year. I always try to find a way to improve it, and never want to change a thing.

Easter is a time for making the occasion special in whatever way suits your style. Perhaps you want to pull out the fine china, sliver and crystal or maybe you want to be more casual. With a little advance planning and preparation, adding a little flare, whimsy, and fun need not add stress!

Remember Step #9 in *Effortless Entertaining ... Plan Your Work and Work Your Plan*. By the time your guests arrive for Easter lunch, you will be enjoying a Mimosa as you welcome them for this festive and happy time!

I pray blessings for your family and friends. May the life-giving and love-giving miracle of Easter be with you each and every day, and may you find the golden egg!

From our home to yours,

EASTER MENU

This Menu calls for a Pork Roast and a HoneyBaked Ham, but you don't need both. You could also substitute beef in place of the pork. Access individual recipes below, or the entire Menu here.

- Layered Hummus
- Fancy Pork Roast
- Southern Green Beans
- DeeDee's Salad
- Deviled Eggs
- Sour Cream Muffins
- Carrot Cake

Printer-Friendly Menu, GamePlan, & Recipes

STYLE POINTS

Celebrate with a special table!

Today's culture is more casual, and our family loves throwing on our jeans, too!

For special occasions and holidays, however, our family dresses up. It signifies that we are celebrating a day that is extra-ordinary. These occasions also inspire me to "dress up" the table. To celebrate Easter, we enjoy our finest china and add colorful flowers to welcome spring and the new life it symbolizes. I invite you to celebrate your special occasions by dressing up your table!

TIPS & QUIPS

Buy your eggs in advance.

Hard-boiling eggs? Buy your eggs early. Eggs that have been in your fridge for a couple of weeks are easier to peel when hard-boiled than just-bought eggs.

To add to the ease of preparing hard-boiled eggs, try this wonderful find from Cuisinart. Perfect eggs every time!

SOURCES & RESOURCES

Cuisinart Egg Central
Perfect eggs every time!
available here

Jordan Almonds
These beautiful sweetened almonds have made an appearance every Easter.
available here

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