

## Easter

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Easter is sometimes referred to as the time of the Easter Bunny, egg hunts, and chocolate. Easter is a time of celebration in many religions and cultures. It is a time to celebrate new life and spring. Even though we all know what Easter is how is the date decided? Easter is decided after the first full moon after the spring equinox. Some might ask what a spring equinox is. An equinox happens twice a year during the spring and fall when the equator is directly in line with the sun. So in other words, the earth has no tilt in its axis like it has the rest of the year.

Some traditions that involve Easter are Cyprus, which is when a fire is lit, or multiple fires, in a large city, and a doll that represents Jesus is burned in the fires. In the Netherlands fires are lit at sundown on Easter Night. Of course the Easter Bunny and egg hunts are a tradition in America.