



# ST LUKE'S CHURCH

## THE PARISH OF MODBURY and GOLDEN GROVE

Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024

.... WELCOME ....

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### ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Holy Communion with hymns
10.30am	Ridgehaven Rise Service
11.30am	Bari Worship

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As a letter meant to be read by more than just the believers at Ephesus, the letter to the Ephesians is an important look at how Christian belief should translate into Christian action. The first three chapters lay out spiritual ideas, the last three chapters show how these truths should be applied in the life of mature believers in the church. While Ephesians it is not a systematic theology of the church, Ephesians is where Paul outlines most deeply and consistently a theology of the church.

So, knowing that the first three chapters of Ephesians are doctrinal, the last three are practical we will see that chapter 3 begins the transition from a Christian understanding of salvation, grace, and the power of Christ into a practical guide for Christian living. To make the transition, in this chapter, Paul refers to his own calling by God and prays for the spiritual strength of the Ephesian church.

While each of the things he prays for are good for the individual, they are particularly appropriate for the church as a whole.

First, there is the matter of being strengthened (Ephesians 3:16). For most of us, we are strengthened and sustained by the witness of the company of believers with whom we worship. Second, it is the indwelling of Christ in the hearts of the congregation where love is produced (Ephesians 3:17). Third, it is in our life together as Christians that we find ever new vistas and insights into the vast world of God (Ephesians 3:18). If we have time to listen to one another, we discover stories of faith beyond our own. In conversations with others, listening to their prayers, and observing acts of kindness and generosity, we gain understandings of God and the world that we have not known before.

Finally, Paul prays that we will know the love of Christ surpasses all other forms of our knowing (Ephesians 3:19). We celebrate that love whenever we gather for worship. God accomplishes all this "by the power at work within us," which exceeds our expectations. For all of this, we give thanks, joining with others in glorifying God forever (Ephesians 3:20-21).

**Mother's Union Mary Summer Day Eucharist** will be held at St. Luke's at 11am Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> August. Rev'd Jo will preach and preside.

**New Sermon Series: The Message of Ephesians - The Church as God's New Community**

Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> August: Ephesians 4:	A community which is directed by the Holy Spirit
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August: Ephesians 5.1-6.9:	A community which demonstrates Godly living
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> August: Ephesians 6.10-24:	A community which stands strong in whole armour of God

**Big thanks** to DeDe Stoba for initiating this, and extra big thanks to Woolworths at Tea Tree Plaza whose manager, Simon Daw, has responded to Rev'd Jo's letter and agreed to provide a monthly \$200 Woolworths food voucher to the Op Shop to support its food relief program for those in need in our community. Please continue to bring your food items to help support this worthy ministry.

**Happy birthday** to the following parishioners who will celebrate their birthdays this month – Roland Barker, Edwin Bollen, Susan Restell, Helen Mayes, Thelma Tyler, Edmund Malander and Max Pontifex.

**More Help Needed for Rosters for 9.30am Service** - It is time that we refreshed the roster lists for the various ministries for the 9.30 am services. Ideally, it would be great if we have enough names on each list to ensure that no one needs to be rostered more than once every 2 months. More help would be good for all of the ministries but I would like to concentrate on the following lists at this time: Welcoming, Intercessions and Morning Tea. Please let me know if you are prepared to volunteer for one or more of the ministries and I will make sure that you are given some instruction before you are included in the next roster. *Warren Henriks*

**Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas child.** If you would like to pack a shoebox for a child in need, please contact Denise Robinson on 0429 234 007 or Ann Dixon.

**Quickest Warmth Project.** Please continue to leave your donations in the basket in the balcony room. All donations are gratefully received especially those bringing some warmth at this time of year.

## FOR PRAYER

### ***The health and well-being of those needing immediate prayers:***

Susan Restell, Jose, Damian Wyld, Glenys Williams, Bryan Mason, Rhonda Hill, Duane Fowler, Betty Bryson, Greg Downton, Anne Pfitzner, Ann and Fred Tee, Marion Ford, Vimla Mukerji, Roland Barker, Ron Rockliffe, Charlie, Mercedes Siguenza, Aaron Watkins, Max Pontifex, Zarinah, Tess Richmond, Gloria, Margaret, Neil, Mick, Jo C, Kerri, Bob Hall, Shirley B.

### ***Those who need ongoing prayers for healing and well-being:***

Jo Johnson, Helen Gummow, Jessie Waters, Donald & Marjory Prince, Beth Morgan, Emily Cahill, Emmett Bollen, Bryan Shillabeer, Cathie, Faith Drodge, Catherine Cooling, Carol Aitken, Malcolm Mayes, Naomi, Vicky Pattie, Jake Drury, Samantha Drury, Nerida Fidock, Brian Gummow, Michaela Kinnoch, Mia, Muriel Taylor and family, Joy Pedlar and family, Sylvia and Bill McDonald, Chris Davies, Robbie Fowler, Flack family, Jean, Cilla Harvey, Joanne Clark and family, Jean Downton and family, Gary Fawcett and family, Mary Turner, Melissa Burtenshaw, Peter Morris, Zoe, Jeanette and Allan Canton, Sue Fawcett, Andrew Mitchell, Frances K, Angela Brown, Jeremy Bollen, Walton family, Bogale family.

***Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family:*** Edmund Malander, Joan Manners, Richard & Wendy Martin, Tammy May and Helen & Malcom Mayes and the Men's Group.

### ***Those who have died and whose anniversaries occur at this time.***

George Townend, David Kent, Frederick Miller, Hilford H Cooling, Jean Malander, Jean Cooling, John Wright, Matthew Eardley  
+ *Rest in peace and rise in glory.*

*Requests for prayer should be made to Deb Travis 0450 950 112 (8am service);  
June Hindmarch 0402 138 694 (9.30am service); or speak to Jean Rechner 0409 816 115  
(Thursday service).*

### ***Next week's readings***

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 14, 31-33  
Ephesians 4

Ps 130  
John 6:35, 41-51

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### ***ROSTER REMINDER for 9.30am service next Sunday***

*Reader 1:* Maria Harrison  
*Reader 2:* Adrienne Williams  
*Intercessor:* Carolyn Datson  
*Sidespersons:* John Dearman & Glenn Wadrop  
*Welcoming:* Susan Dearman & Margaret Collins  
*Morning Tea:* Denise Robinson & Adrienne Wright

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<b>WEEKLY PEW SHEET</b>	Please forward information to the church email or put a note under the office door by Wednesday.
<b>CHURCH BANK DETAILS</b>	BSB No: 015 300 A/c No: 709007242 A/c Name: St Luke's Church Modbury

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## REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

Monday	Bible Study	10.00am
Tuesday	Holy Communion	8.30am
	Community Garden	9.30am
Wednesday	Foodbank (fortnightly)	10.00am
	Bible Study	10.00am
Thursday	Holy Communion	10.00am
	Stretch & Balance	2.30pm (fortnightly)
	Christian Meditation	3.45pm (fortnightly)
Friday	Community Garden	9.30am
Community Garden BBQ	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month	11.30am
Bari Worship	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month	11.30am
Men's Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month	7.30pm
Come as You Are (Women's Fellowship)	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of the month	10.00am