



ST LUKE'S CHURCH
THE PARISH OF MODBURY
and GOLDEN GROVE

Sunday, 22nd March 2026

.... WELCOME

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Holy Communion with hymns

John 11: 1-45

Faced with growing danger from their religious opponents in Jerusalem, Jesus with the twelve have made a tactical withdrawal to the region across the Jordan. But they don't get much of a breathing space before a messenger arrives from Bethany with the news that their old friend Lazarus is sick there.

This leads into the well-known account of the raising of Lazarus. Funerals were large community events and there were plenty of witnesses to spread the news. People reacted in different ways. What did it mean for them? What does it mean for us?

The raising of Lazarus pre-figures Jesus's own resurrection, but unlike Lazarus, Jesus is not just restored to this life. He passed through death, defeated it, and entered a new kind of life. And it's better than that - Jesus says that we get to share this new life! Back in John 5:25, he said 'Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming and is now here when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.'

It's an audacious claim. The Christian faith centres on a living Saviour, Jesus the Son of God, whose voice we can begin to recognise here as we interact. May we hear God's voice, individually and as a church, and grow to know more fully the One we are following.

Easter services. *Maundy Thursday 2nd April 7.00pm*
 Good Friday 3rd April 9.00am
 Easter Sunday 5th April 9.00am

Growing Faith, Building Community, Sharing Hope

Easter Sunday Choral Group –today **Sunday, 22nd March** and **Sunday, 29th March** after **the 10am service**, and one other rehearsal if we can squeeze it in. Please come to the front of the church as soon as possible after the service and we will give you a set of music and run through the chosen pieces (at least three and possibly four). If you would like more information please ask me, even if you have not been approached all singers are welcome to join. Margaret Curd.

‘Come as You Are’ -Women’s Fellowship. As our April meeting date coincides with Good Friday *there will be no meeting*. The next meeting will be **Friday, 1st May at 10am**. Our guest speaker is Kristin Weidenbach, author and science writer. Her topic is “My life as an author”. Enquiries - Susan Dearman 0412 814 082 or Carolyn Datson 0412 606 615.

Christian Meditation Group will meet Wednesdays fortnightly in the church at 7 - 8pm starting on 18th March, 1st, 15th, 29th April. All are welcome! Please let me know if you would like to attend, and I will send you a reminder. For more information contact Sandy Andrews on 0421 504 396.

Anglican Board of Mission Lent and Good Friday Appeal 2026. St Luke’s is supporting the ABM “Give Water, Give Life” projects in Kenya, Vanuatu and Myanmar. You are invited to donate on-line. Please visit: www.abmission.org/Lent2026. Or you can deposit directly into: Anglicans in Development Ltd, BSB: 032 135, Account: 691271. Information is at the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

Bush Church Aid Society (BCA). Returned BCA boxes are at back of the church. Thankyou.

Lenten study - If you weren’t able to attend a Lenten study this year, consider trying the Lectio 365 app. on your phone.

April, May and June Rosters for 10.00am Services Paper copies (in lilac) of the rosters for the 10.00 am services are now available on the table at the back of the church for the parishioners who do not receive a copy by email or who have not been able to print off their own copy. Warren Henriks

OP SHOP DONATIONS. We are now in a position to again accept donations from Parishioners BUT please be mindful that from time to time the Op Shop gets overwhelmed with clothing and goods and may need to decline donations. Then you may either defer your donations or find another outlet. Thanks for your support and understanding. Op shop team.

FLOWERS Easter is nearly here and money for flowers for Easter Sunday would be much appreciated. Please place in an envelope marked Easter flowers and place in collection bowl.

Mens Fellowship. Following a successful last meeting we will continue to meet every second Wednesday in the month. The next meeting will be 8th.April @ 12.00pm in the balcony room for a shared Lunch. New members are very welcome . Please come and enjoy the fellowship.

FOR PRAYER

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

Kirsty Lees (Sandy Trezise's daughter), Belinda Richmond, Max Pontifex, Louise Hoyle, Catherine Cooling, Tess Richmond, Bev Schutt, Chris Atherton, Alick Harrison, Jim Williamson

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

Shirley & Stewart Shrimplin, Helen Gummow, Jessie Waters, Donald & Marjory Prince, Beth Morgan, Emily Cahill, Emmett Bollen, Bryan Shillabeer, Cathie, , Malcolm Mayes, Naomi, Vicky Pattie, Jeremy Bollen, Andrew Mitchell, Bob Hall, Sue Fawcett, Anne Pfitzner, Jeanette Canton, Marilyn Harris, Ken Hodgson, Lorelie Hill, Sonia Smith, Alf Ho, Peter Cooling, Carol Aitken, Ian White, David, Debbie, Woody Abroe, Jan Walton, Jean & John McIntosh, Margie Caddy, Alec, Tricia, Erin & Tyson, Tim & Suzanne, Levi, Scarlett & Will, Ian & Bryan & families, Marion Ford & Ann Tee, Paul Phillips, Cynthia & Neville Hendricks, Teresa, Barb & Peter Taylor, Jo Johnson, John Spencer.

Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family: Ann Andrews, Donald Andrews, Sandy Andrews, Chris Atherton, Rachel Ayen, Jane & Simon Bailey, Stephanie Baraglia, Roland Barker, Dorothy Beinke and the Bari congregation.

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

Recently Departed:

Anniversaries: Ronald Blucher, Tom Oborn, Frank Schneider, Blue Jenkins, Ivan Leonard, Amy Tofts.

+ *Rest in peace and rise in glory.*

Requests for prayer should be made to Deb Travis 0450 950 112 (8am service); Ann Dixon 0421 816 614 (9.30am service); or speak to Jean Rechner 0409 816 115 (Thursday service).

Next week's readings

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Philippians 2:5-11

Palm Sunday

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Matthew 21:1-11

ROSTER REMINDER for 10.00am service

Reader 1: Mano de Mel
Reader 2: Margaret Curd
Intercessor: Julie Nicholls
Sidespersons: David Datson & Ralph Nicholls
Welcoming: Margaret Collins & Christine Walker
Morning Tea: Dany & Louisa Fidock

PARISH CONTACTS

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WEEKLY PEW SHEET	Please forward information to the church email or put a note under the office door by Wednesday.
CHURCH BANK DETAILS	BSB No: 705 077 A/c No: 00041526 A/c Name: Parish of Modbury and Golden Grove

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
	Christian Meditation (fortnightly)	7.00pm
Thursday	Holy Communion	10.00am
Friday	Community Garden	9.30am
Community Garden BBQ	1 st Tuesday of the month	11.30am
Bari Worship	1 st & 3 rd Sunday of the month	11.30am
Men's Group	2 nd Wednesday of the month	12 noon
Come as You Are (Women's Fellowship)	1 st Friday of the month	10.00am