



ST LUKE'S CHURCH

THE PARISH OF MODBURY and GOLDEN GROVE

Sunday, 19th April 2026

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion with hymns
11.30am	Bari Worship

There is a particular kind of energy in the days just after Easter—an unsettled, almost breathless joy. It is not yet polished or resolved. It still carries the echo of fear, the confusion of the empty tomb, the sound of hurried footsteps as the women run from the grave, “with fear and great joy,” not quite knowing what comes next. Resurrection, it turns out, is not neat. It disrupts before it reassures.

In the Gospel, the story is already contested. Even as the women bear witness to what they have seen, another narrative begins to take shape—one that explains away the miracle, that manages the risk, that tries to contain what cannot be controlled. From the very beginning, the resurrection is both proclaimed and resisted. Truth and denial grow up side by side. And into that same unsettled space steps Peter in Acts—no longer hiding, no longer uncertain, but proclaiming with clarity: “God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” The resurrection is not simply an event to be admired; it is a reality that demands response. The people are “cut to the heart.” Something in them recognises that this changes everything.

The letter of 1 Peter speaks to those learning how to live in the aftermath of that change. “Prepare your minds for action,” it says. Resurrection is not only about what God has done in Christ; it is about the reshaping of a people—called into holiness, into hope, into a new way of being grounded not in perishable things, but in the enduring word of God. So we stand, like those first witnesses, in the tension of it all—between fear and joy, between competing stories, between what has been and what is now breaking open. And the question that lingers is not simply, “Did it happen?” but “What will we do because it has?”

Growing Faith, Building Community, Sharing Hope

Young adults group. If you are aged between 18 and 35 please join us for our first young adult group today, Sunday, 19th April, at the Pickled Duck. Ask Manishi or Pasindu for more information.

‘Come as You Are’ -Women’s Fellowship, Friday, 1st May at 10am.

It is going to be good to meet again after our little break.

Our guest speaker will be 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 on 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.

Recycling for groceries - \$81.80 has been raised through recycling of cans/ bottles etc. (25/1/26 – 29/3/2026), for groceries to be distributed through the Op shop. Thank you to everyone who has contributed. Audrey Dewell.

Happy birthday to the following parishioners celebrating their birthdays this month – Donald Andrews, Hugh Walker, June Hindmarch, Jeanette Pfitzenmeier, Margaret Curd, Jan Walton Kirk Skelton, Helen Henriks David Stoba and Mark Taylor.

FOR PRAYER

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

Kirsty Lees (Sandy Trezise's daughter), Belinda Richmond, Max Pontifex, Louise Hoyle, Tess Richmond, Bev Schutt, Chris Atherton, Jim Williamson, Shirley Shrimplin, Angela Brown, Alan Sutton.

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

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, Pat Dunlop, Catherine Cooling.

Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family: Margaret Curd, Ruth Daniell, Carolyn & David Datson, Doris De Silva Susan & John Dearman, Nish De Mel, Mano De Mel, Audrey Dewell, Jhanelle Dionela, Ann Dixon, Linda Eastwood and St. Luke's Opshop.

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

Recently Departed:

Anniversaries: Lena King, Eva King, Stella Villis, Philip Alden, Don Warren.
+ *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

Acts 2.42-47
1 Peter 2.1-10

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Ps 23
John 10.1-10

ROSTER REMINDER for 10.00am service next Sunday

Reader 1: Mano De Mel
Reader 2: Eric Harrison
Intercessor: Julie Nicholls
Sidespersons: Warren Henriks & John Harris
Welcoming: Julie Nicholls & Marilyn Harris
Morning Tea: Dany & Louisa Fidock

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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