# ST LUKE'S MODBURY and ST MARK'S GOLDEN GROVE

Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2023 .... WELCOME ....

WORSHIPPING TOGETHER

# OUR SERVICES TODAY THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER / ST MARK'S DAY

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion with hymns

#### **MARK 16.1-8**

#### "And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."

Mark's Easter story is perhaps the strangest of all. In the three other gospels, we normally hear about Jesus appearing to the women and disciples at the empty tomb. Jesus speaks with Mary in the Gospel of John. He brings greetings to all the women in the Gospel of Matthew. In Luke, Jesus meets two of his disciples on the road of Emmaus.

But in Mark there is none of that. And it makes us uncomfortable. So what is it about the Gospel of Mark and his ending that doesn't sit well with us?

"And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."

#### Failure.

Easter isn't supposed to be a story of failure. The women hear the good news, they are given clear instructions to tell people about Jesus being risen, and they tell no one. But here is the thing, *Mark* knows that *we* know that it didn't end with the women being afraid. We all know the story of the resurrection. We are reading it in Mark's gospel. We proclaim that Christ is risen from the dead every Sunday we worship, just as Christians all over the world have been doing so for 2000 years!

So Mark expects that we can figure out that things didn't end with the women running from the tomb afraid... but Mark also expects that we see our part in the story too, in the command to go and tell the world of the resurrection. Though this news of the resurrection is scary, though the world that we are called to speak it to is scary, though our circumstances for preaching the gospel are less than ideal. We are called to be ones who are not afraid to speak.

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April. Ian Hutchinson, SA representative for Wycliffe Bible Translators, will be speaking at both services. He will especially focus on the work of Peter and Nerida Fidock, who were members of our church and now work at Kangaroos Ground (Wycliffe), Victoria.

**Bible study** is in recess over the school holidays.

#### **Food for Op Shop Hampers**

The Op Shop is experiencing a large increase in requests for food and therefore the cupboard needs replenishing. Items needed – tinned goods with ring pull openings, packets with individual servings, long life milk, cereal, tuna, pasta and pasta sauce, soup, tinned vegetables, muesli bars, breakfast biscuits, breakfast drinks, savoury biscuits. Donations of money would be gratefully received enabling purchase of items. Thank you for your support for this valuable ministry.

The **Magdalene Centre** has also requested donations of food as they are also experiencing high demands, so any items we can't use can be donated there.

During May we are asked to focus on chaplaincy in Health and the Community There will be gathering as a chaplaincy community on the

21st May at 2.30pm

St Peter's Cathedral at a Celebration of Chaplaincy Service followed by an afternoon tea in the Cynthia Poulton Hall.

**Quickest Warmth Project.** No one is available to collect and deliver donations for the next few weeks, so it would be appreciated if you could hold on to them for the moment. There will be another notification when the situation goes back to normal.

#### **Our Vision**

St Luke's will be an open community of faith which engages with the community and inspires and encourages people to know Jesus Christ

Please join us for morning tea in the Balcony Room after the service

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

Reader 1: Colin Fidock

Reader 2: Adrienne Wright

Sidespersons: David Datson & Kirk S

Welcoming: June Hindmarch

Morning Tea: Christine Walker & Jessy Lim

## FOR PRAYER



Anglican cycle of Prayer – The church of the Province of Uganda Prinate Abp Stephen Kaziimba, Diocesan coordinator for Lay Ministry and Development/Director of Discernment and Formation; Julie Worrall, Streaky Bay district, Op Shop volunteers and mission outreach programmes; Parishes in Tasmania

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

Caryl Walker, Kathy and Simon Fennell, Iliya Khanzade, Michaela Kinnoch, Susan Restell, Diane Thiele, Jose.

Those who need ongoing prayers for healing and well-being: Eveline Robinson, Sadie, Carol Aitken, Helen Gummow, Barry Connell, Betty Mugg, Ian Archer, Jessie Waters, Donald & Marjory Prince, Richard and Beth Morgan, Emily Cahill, Emmett Bollen, Chris Landden, Adrienne Wright, Bryan Shillabeer, Cathie, Faith Drodge, Catherine Cooling, Christopher Allen, Christopher Richmond, Malcolm Mayes, Mia, Naomi and Roland Barker, Russell Blore, Vicky Pattie, Jake Drury, Samantha Drury, Nerida Fidock, Brian Gummow, Cynthia Hendriks, Jeanette Leister, Peter Cooling, Kate Bosner.

Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of St. Luke's family: Christine Todd, Deborah Travis, Thelma & Tony Tyler, Serene Victor, Lisa Vink and the Pastoral Care team.

**Birthdays this month-** Brenda Hartweg, Richard Morgan, June Hindmarch, Jeanette Pfitzenmeier, Margaret Curd

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

Jim Cross

+Rest in peace and rise in glory.

Request 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 (Thursday service)

#### Next week's readings

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Ps 23

Acts 2.42-47 1 Peter 2.1-10

John 10, 1-10

# Thought for the week

No joy can equal the joy of serving others. (Sai Baba)

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**WEEKLY PEW SHEET** Please forward information to the church email or put a note

under the office door by Wednesday.

#### **REGULAR ACTIVITIES AT ST. LUKE'S**

Monday	Bible Study	10.00am
Tuesday	Holy Communion	8.30am
	Community Garden	9.30am
Wednesday	Foodbank (fortnightly)	10.00am
Thursday	Holy Communion	10.00am
Friday	Community Garden	9.30am
Community Garden BBQ	1st Tuesday of the month	11.30am
Men's Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month	7.30pm
Bari Worship	1st & 3rd Sunday of the month	11.30am
Parish Council	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month	9.00am
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