



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

**Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**.... WELCOME ....**

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**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**OUR SERVICES TODAY**

9.00am Holy Communion with hymns

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**HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN, INDEED!**

Matthew's account of the resurrection might be my favourite because it is literally earth shaking. More than any other of the gospel accounts of what happened as the first day of the week was dawning, this account describes the resurrection as an apocalyptic event with immediate public consequences. There is no missing the point here that what happened when Jesus was raised from the dead shocked witnesses and affected (shook!) the world itself.

Some 20th century theologians focus on the resurrection as an event that took place in the life of the disciples, a mysterious personal event, a spiritual transformation that led to faith in the crucified Jesus as the most profound sign of God's presence in the world. But I don't think Matthew is letting us get away with thinking that this is a purely spiritual transformation. There's an earthquake, and angel descending in the sight of the women and the guards and rolling away the stone. The actual, heavy, solid physically real stone. The guards were so terrified that they became like dead men. Fainted? Paralysed with fear? These are Roman soldiers, they've waged war and crucified people. They were not going to be terrified by anything that wasn't very real and physical and concrete.

This was not a private theological realisation or transformation event happening within the spiritual lives of the disciples... Oh it's a mystery all right but it testifies to the very real inbreaking of God's reign in the physical real actual world we are walking around in.

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*Growing Faith, Building Community, Sharing Hope*

**Welcome to St. Luke's this Easter Sunday.** If you are new here or just visiting, we are so pleased you have joined us.

When it comes time for Holy Communion, Christians of all denominations are welcome to share in the Lord's Supper with us.

You may choose to take the wine from a small cup or the common chalice. Just indicate which you would prefer to the minister with the wine. If you would prefer to receive a blessing rather than the Holy Communion, please leave your hands by your side.

**'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 on 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.

**Men's Fellowship.** Following a successful last meeting we will continue to meet every second Wednesday in the month.

The next meeting will be 8<sup>th</sup> April at 12.00pm in the balcony room for a shared lunch.

New members are very welcome.

Please come and enjoy the fellowship.

**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.

## 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, Jim Williamson, Shirley Shrimplin.

### ***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.

***Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family:*** Denise Bollen, Kate Bonser, Veronica Boswell, Antony Brown, Helen & Phillip Bradshaw, Harry Brown, Wayne Brumley, Yvonne Brumley, Betty Bryson and Women's Fellowship.

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

### ***Recently Departed:***

***Anniversaries:*** John Warren, Florence Warren, Lorraine Evans, Anthea Bullen, Jessie Murn, Betty Wright, Lorna Blight, John Boyd, Peter Arnold, Bruce Peters, Joyce Townend.  
+ *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 2.14a, 22-32

1 Peter 1.1-12

### ***Second Sunday of Easter***

Ps 16

John 20.19-31

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### ***ROSTER REMINDER for 9.00am service Easter Day***

***Reader 1:*** Audrey Dewell

***Reader 2:*** Helen Wright

***Intercessor:*** Glyn Price

***Sidespersons:*** Keith Lane & John Dearman

***Welcoming:*** Marilyn Florance & Susan Dearman

***Morning Tea:*** David Smith & Kate Bonser

## PARISH CONTACTS

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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: 705 077 A/c No: 00041526 A/c Name: Parish of Modbury and Golden Grove

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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
	Christian Meditation (fortnightly)	7.00pm
Thursday	Holy Communion	10.00am
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> Wednesday of the month	12 noon
Come as You Are (Women's Fellowship)	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of the month	10.00am