



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

Sunday, 10th August, 2025

.... WELCOME

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion with hymns

“Do not be afraid little flock, for it is your Father’s pleasure to give you the kingdom.”
(Luke 12.32)

These words of Jesus are delivered to an anxious and diminished group of his followers. In Luke’s Gospel there is a key turning point toward the end of chapter 9 where (at 9.51) Jesus ‘sets his face to go to Jerusalem’. From this point on there’s increasing conflict, especially with the religious and civil authorities, and consequently the numbers following Jesus fall away leaving this ‘little flock’ feeling insecure and threatened. Jesus understands the fear they’re experiencing and speaks into it. The Greek text suggests that his opening words mean, ‘Cease being afraid.’ He follows up this instruction with a statement which is put as a statement of fact ‘For it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.’ The kingdom of God (which is what is in view here) speaks of the promise of the immeasurable security and joy which God would establish through the coming of Israel’s messiah. Security and joy, Jesus tells his little flock, have been given to them – *they are a present reality!* Jesus is calling his followers to live into this God given gift and, in this faith, to discover that they no longer need to be bound by fear.

Growing Faith, Building Community, Sharing Hope

Bishop Sophie will visit the parish on Sunday, 17th August, and preaching and presiding at both services. Bishop Sophie is Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Adelaide and will become the Administrator when Archbishop Geoff retires in November until we appoint a new Archbishop. Please put this date in your diary and make a special effort to come along.

Hot soup day – Sunday. 31st August 31st. We will be serving hot soups, with a bread roll, after the 9.30am service. This will be by donation. Money raised will go to Schools Ministry Group. For more information please speak to Marilyn Harris or Carolyn Datson.

“Come as you are” Women’s Fellowship, Friday, 5th September, 10am-12 noon. We will be doing something special – *come to an hour of art and be surprised with your creativity.* All materials will be supplied. Our artist, Kateryna Bowyer, is a secondary art and drama teacher at Torrens Valley Christian school. Any enquires contact Susan Dearman on 0412 814 082 or Carolyn Datson on 0412 606 615.

SA Provincial ABM committee invites you to join them to honour the memory of New Guinea Martyrs on Tuesday, 2nd September at 6pm at St Cuthbert’s, 49 Prospect Rd, Prospect, to celebrate the ongoing service of the PNG Anglican church. Preacher is The Rev’d Canon Stephen Daughtry. A light supper will be served after the service. RSVP by 29th August to info@abmission.org.au or 1300 302 663.

Please come and listen to Julia Baird speak about Grace, Awe and Hope at 11.30am, Saturday, 20th September, Memorial Hall, St. Peter’s College. (Refer to flyer for bookings.)

Review of Mission Action Plan. Parish Council invites parishioners to participate in a review of our Mission Action Plan on Sunday, 24th August, 11.30 am. This will be an important opportunity to prayerfully examine our work so far and discern where God is leading us to revise our strategies and plans. Please mark this date in your diary and come along ready to share in this important work. *Handouts for the MAP review are on the table at the rear of the Church.*

New Parish bank account details – refer to the back of the pew sheet.

Operation Christmas Child boxes are available from Denise Robinson. They are to be returned by 28th September.

Flowers this week are in memory of Jean Malander.

FOR PRAYER

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

Steven Tyler, Kirsty Lees (Sandy Trezise's daughter), Belinda Richmond, Max Pontifex, Louise Hoyle, Neville and Cynthia Hendricks, Warren Sharpe, Peter & Val Rogers, Catherine Cooling, Tess Richmond.

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, Faith Drodge, Malcolm Mayes, Naomi, Vicky Pattie, Jeremy Bollen, Andrew Mitchell, Bob Hall, Sue Fawcett, Paul & June Walters, Greg Downton, Ann Pfitzner, Jeanette Canton, Ann & Fred Tee, Marion Ford, Marilyn Harris, Ken Hodgson, Lorelie Hill, Sonia Smith, Alf Ho, Peter Cooling, Carol Aitken, Ian White, David, Debbie, Ruth Anne.

Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family: Sue Gilson, Marilyn & Trevor Green, Helen Gummow, Marilyn & John Harris, Eric & Maria Harrison, Cynthia & Neville Hendricks and Women's Fellowship.

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

Recently Departed:

Anniversaries: Jean Malander, Jean Cooling, John Wright, Matthew Eardley, Myrtle White, Sheila Nash, Anna Hermanus, David Wright, Helen Field, Arthur Baker, Keith St. John Hams, Dick Holton, Ronald Tapps, Laurel Deotardi.

+ 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 5.1-7

Hebrews 11.29-12.2

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 80.1-2, 8-19

Luke 12.49-59

ROSTER REMINDER for 9.30am service next Sunday

Reader 1: Eric Harrison

Reader 2: Jane Bailey

Intercessor: Hugh Walker

Sidespersons: David Datson & Michael Southren

Welcoming: Christine Walker & Marilyn Florance

Morning Tea: Audrey Dewell & David Smith

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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
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 Thursday of the month	7.30pm
Come as You Are (Women's Fellowship)	1 st Friday of the month	10.00am