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# ST LUKE'S CHURCH

# THE PARISH OF MODBURY and GOLDEN GROVE

Sunday, 20th July, 2025

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

# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion with hymns

11.30am Bari Worship

#### Christ at the Centre

What does it really mean to follow Jesus? Is he part of our lives—or the heart of it? This week's passage from Colossians lifts us to the mountaintop of Christian faith, where we glimpse the breathtaking vision of Christ at the centre of everything. Paul writes, "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation." These are words designed not just to inform us but to overwhelm us—with the truth that Christ is not one option among many, not a spiritual starting point, but the beginning, middle, and end of all things.

In a world where we're constantly pulled in competing directions—by work, family, worries, and expectations—Paul reminds us that Jesus is not meant to be squeezed into the margins of life. He is Lord of all creation... and Lord of your life.

But this isn't just cosmic theology. It's personal. The same Christ who holds the universe together also lives within you. "Christ in you, the hope of glory." This is the heart of the gospel: you are not alone, not abandoned, not left to your own resources. Christ is at work in you—and through you—for his good purposes.

Today's sermon invites us to lift our eyes again to Jesus. To fix our hearts on him. To trust that the one who is above all is also with us in every ordinary, messy, beautiful part of life. Let's not settle for a small Jesus. Let's follow the Christ who is the centre of creation, the hope of glory, and the one who works in us by his Spirit.

**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.

**Bishop's Nomination Committee Process and Consultation.** An important part of the work of the Bishop's Nomination Committee is to hear from as many people as possible about what qualities we might be looking for in a new Archbishop. If you wish to participate in an online survey, please scan the QR code below or go to - *surveymonkey.com/r/5V99JHX* 



"Come as you are" women's fellowship. Our next meeting is Friday, 1st August at 10.00am. Not only will we have fellowship but we are ask you to bring something which "brings back memories of your childhood or growing up years" to share with others. After sharing we will enjoy a cuppa together and finish at 12 noon. Any enquiries please contact Carolyn Datson on 0412 606 615 or Susan Dearman on 0412 814 082.

**New Parish Bank Account Details.** The Parish Council has decided to move the parish banking facility to Anglican Funds Management. Parishioners who give via direct debit or electronic funds transfer (EFT payments) will need to note the new bank account details and make the necessary changes to ensure that their giving goes into the correct account. We will keep the old account open for a few months until we are confident that all regular credits have been transferred.

BSB No. 705 077 Account No. 00041526 Account Name -Parish of Modbury and Golden Grove

**Bins.** The Parish Council has engaged Signal Waste and Recycling to manage waste, recycling and the destruction of confidential documents. You will notice two large commercial bins in the lower carpark for waste and recycling. The regular council bins will be migrated to the top level of the property so that waste doesn't need to be taken up and down the ramp in the future.

**If you notice any hazards** or things that may cause an injury or trip, please fill out a WHS form, which are located in the foyer on the WHS noticeboard. Completed forms should be left in the plastic holder on the noticeboard or in the pigeon-hole in the office. The WHS group meets each month to review and address any concerns, reporting to Parish Council.

**Exploring Prayer**. Please let me know if you would be interested in joining a regular **Christian Meditation** group at St Luke's to support your daily meditation practice. You are welcome to join a group held every other **Tuesday at 3.45pm** at my home in Wynn Vale on <u>July 22nd</u>, <u>Aug 19th</u>, <u>Sept 2nd</u>; also the Modbury Uniting Church group that meets monthly on **Sundays at 5pm**. Future dates are <u>July 20th</u>, <u>Aug 17th</u>, <u>Sept 14th</u>. For more information contact: Sandy on 0421 504 396 or email <u>sandy.jane.andrews@gmail.com</u>

#### 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.

# 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, Colin & Margie Kirwan, 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.

Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family: Trish Caddy, Sandra Cardnell Allan Carpenter, Marian Carpenter, Marjorie Church, Nancy Church, Coleen Cleland, Margaret Collins, Jeni Cooling, Margaret Curd and the St. Luke's Opshop.

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

#### Recently Departed:

Anniversaries: John Hayes, Malcolm Gummow, Joan Caddy, Joan Carrol, Rhiannon Westerholm, Thelma Cooper.

+ 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 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Hosea 1.2-10 Psalm 85 Colossians 2.6-15 Luke 11.1-13

# ROSTER REMINDER for 9.30am service next Sunday

Reader 1: Mano de Mel Reader 2: Peter Caddy Intercessor: Carolyn Datson

Sidespersons: Warren Henriks & John Harris Welcoming: Julie Nicholls & Doris de Silva

Morning Tea: Maria & Eric Harrison

#### **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: 015 300

A/c No: 709007242

A/c Name: St Luke's Church Modbury

#### 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	1st Tuesday of the month	11.30am
Bari Worship	1st & 3rd Sunday of the month	11.30am
Men's Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month	7.30pm
Come as You Are	1st Friday of the month	10.00am
(Women's Fellowship)		