



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

**Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2025**

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

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**OUR SERVICES TODAY**

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Holy Communion with hymns
10.30am	Ridgehaven Rise
11.30am	Bari Worship

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***Only Believe***

Today's readings lead us into the mystery and wonder of transformation. We meet Saul, whose rigid certainty is shattered by a voice from heaven. We stand in awe before the poetic visions of Revelation, where a wounded Lamb holds the power to redeem all things. We gather with Peter at a charcoal fire on the beach, where failure meets forgiveness and shame is met with breakfast and love.

Each of these stories reminds us that the life of faith isn't neat or perfect. It's full of turning points and open-ended questions. The people God uses are rarely polished saints—they are, like us, imperfect and incomplete. Their wounds still show. Their fears still surface. But they are called. And they trust the voice that calls them by name.

In this Easter season, we are invited to remember that resurrection life is not the same as perfection. Jesus rose with wounds still visible. The scars remained. And it was those scars that made him recognisable to those who loved him.

So if you come today carrying questions, doubts, regrets—or even a deep weariness—know that you are not disqualified. You are in good company. The good news is that transformation is possible, even for us. Not all at once. Not without cost. But by grace. And always in love. May our worship today open our hearts to the One who still calls us by name, and help us believe—even when we do not yet understand.

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**Clergy conference.** Rev'd Jo will be away from Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> May, to Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> May inclusive, at the Provincial Clergy conference at Murray Bridge. She will still be contactable by email or phone for particularly urgent matters.

**Joyful Noise.** On **Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> May, at 2pm** Joyful Noise will be hosting an afternoon of music, singing and dance to share the hope we have in Jesus. We will be debuting our new band also! Please come along and bring your family and friends, especially the young ones!

**Exploring Prayer Sessions.** Thank you to all those who attended the 3 Exploring Prayer Sessions at St Luke's on Wednesdays during Lent. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did, and experienced a real feeling of community with other participants. We explored 1. The Wheel of Prayer, 2. Meditation in the Christian Tradition, and 3. Labyrinth Walking as contemplative prayer. There will be another session on **Wednesday June 25<sup>th</sup> 7 - 8pm** to explore Holy Reading - a different way to read the Bible. Please bring 1 or 2 of your favourite Bible verses. Please sign up on the sheet provided. Everyone is welcome! For more information, contact Sandy Andrews on 0421 504 396.

**Silent Retreat Day May 17<sup>th</sup> 10.30am - 4.00pm.** WCCM (The World Community For Christian Meditation) will be holding their annual silent retreat day at St Luke's this year. Suggested donation \$15. Please bring your own lunch. For more information and to register contact Sandy Andrews 0421 504 396

**Car Parking.** Parish Council has made a decision that the top car park at St Luke's should be designated as 'Easy Access Parking' for use by those with mobility issues or for the loading or unloading of goods. If you don't have mobility difficulties, please park in the lower car park and walk up the path, through the garden, to the church. Please note, we will retain the designated disabled parks for those who have disability parking permits but the remainder of the top carpark will be available for those who have mobility issues or things to unload.

**Defibrillator.** Parish Council has approved a proposal that the Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) should be moved from its current location inside the church foyer to a position outside the front door of the church. This decision has been made after consideration of the possibility of a need for emergency access by the Op Shop and Garden communities and also aligns with current general practice to make AED's readily accessible to the public.

**Happy birthday** to the following parishioners celebrating their birthdays in May - Toni & David Owen, Douglas Home, Colin Fidock, Margaret Bernard, Wendy Wake-Dyster, David Datson & Peter Rogers.

**FOR PRAYER**

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

Steven Tyler, Kirsty Lees (Sandy Trezise's daughter), Belinda Richmond .

***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, Faith Drodge, Catherine Cooling, Malcolm Mayes, Naomi, Vicky Pattie, Jeremy Bollen, Max Pontifex, Kerri Bogale's husband and five children, 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, Margaret Curd, Lorelie Hill, Sonia Smith, Anne Sharpe, Alf & Lyn Ho.

***Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our Parish family:*** Tammy May, Helen & Malcolm Mayes, Sandy McAdam, Jean & John McIntosh, Darryl McLean, Stepphanie Rostie, Rosemary McWhirter-Whitlock, Sinju Mohanandas and the Pastoral Care team.

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

***Recently Departed:***

***Anniversaries:*** Elizabeth Ladegourdie, Georgina Thompson, George Holland, Robert Page, Dorothy Letchford, Arnold Walton, Frederick Lucas.

+ *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 9.36-43

Revelation 7.9-17

***Fourth Sunday of Easter***

Psalm 23

John 10.22-30

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

*Reader 1:* Maria Harrison

*Reader 2:* Adrienne Williams

*Intercessor:* Carolyn Datson

*Sidespersons:* John Dearman & Peter Caddy

*Welcoming:* Susan Dearman & Maria Harrison

*Morning Tea:* Christine Walker & Barbara O'Sullivan

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## 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: 015 300 A/c No: 709007242 A/c Name: St Luke's Church Modbury

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