



St Andrew's Anglican Parish of Riverton

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Priest in Charge—Rev. Lisa Spargo

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To know Christ and make him known

Sunday 14 April 2024
Third Sunday Of Easter



Diocese of Perth

The Psalmist assures us that knowing Christ's presence takes away shame and brings refreshing, gladness and peace. Today we are reminded that Jesus stood among his disciples and helped them to see his truth. As his witnesses, we stand among others who are disbelieving and still wondering and we show them the presence of the risen Jesus in the world through our transformed lives.

- Lord, help us to welcome your transforming presence in our lives and give us the courage to make you visible to a suffering world.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia, the Most Rev Geoff Smith

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Holy Communion - All are welcome to receive Communion with us. You may receive in one kind (just the bread) if you prefer. If you wish to receive the wine also, you may sip from the common cup. Please be aware that current diocesan regulations prohibit intinction (dipping) your wafer into the wine. Gluten free wafers are available.

For Today's Service

Sentence

Turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

Acts 3.19-20



Collect (prayer of the day)

Lord of life, by submitting to death, you conquered the grave; by being lifted upon the cross, you draw all peoples to you; by being raised from the dead, you restore to humanity all that was lost through sin: be with us in your risen power, that in word and deed we may proclaim the marvellous mystery of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. Amen.

Readings—Third Sunday of Easter (14 Apr 2024 Year B)

Acts 3.12-20; Psalm 4; 1 John 2.15-17, 3.1-6; Luke 24.36b-48

Prayer List

+We pray for the Church

In the World: In our Partner Diocese, Eldoret, Kamagut High School, clergy and people; Diocese of Iowa, United States, bishop, clergy and people; Archbishop Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury.

ABM: The Church of Bangladesh; Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia – Torres Strait clergy and people .

BCA: Coober Pedy, Dave & Margie Wood; Outreach Ministry Berean Church Jack & Lill Harradine

CMS: ongoing strength and wisdom for Joan.

In Australia: Archbishop Geoffrey Smith, Primate and Archbishop of Adelaide.

In the Province: Parish of Lake Grace, clergy and people; Geraldton Hospital Chaplaincy, chaplains and staff

In our Diocese: Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishop Kate Wilmot; Bishop Hans Christiansen and Bishop David Bassett; Parish of Murdoch-Winthrop, Barry Moss and people; Parish of Narembeen; Parish of Nedlands, Tony Drayton and people

Prayer Cycle: Beryl Shropshall, Lisa & Charles Spargo, Barry & Sylvia Stone.

We pray for those in need this month: Jamie Ayrs (Broughton family), Roxana D’Rosario, Terry Flay, Florence Khimbi, Derek Knight, Margaret (Joan Mackie’s sister), Margaret and Alan Mason, Joan McNeill, Joyce Mynett, Doreen Newell, Nicholson family: Kathleen, John, Sarah & Amanda, Roslynn Park, Jan Trench, Sylvia Westera, Joy White.

We pray for those in need this week: Marissa Bandy, Roberta Constantine, Fr Alan Brodie, Gwen Builder, Charlie Cuff, Jenny Cuff, Taya Fisher, Gaye Gray; June & Manny Rodrigues, Pat Trevithick, Peter & Helen Broughton

Thought for the Week from MU - *Eternal Life*



‘For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life’. (John 3:16)

Facing death is not easy. Left to ourselves we do not know whether this is the end of everything, or whether there is something more beyond. Many people just prefer to think that like the animals we die and are no more. But if we listen to the voice of God himself in his word, he tells us that we all survive death. As we know, we deserve nothing but condemnation in the next life. But God’s love is so great that when we trust Jesus, we may be sure we have the joys of life in his presence for evermore. Why are we sure? Because in his resurrection, Jesus defeats death.

Question for thought: Am I trusting Jesus with my eternal future?

Almighty God, we give you thanks for the many members in Tanzania and particularly in the Diocese of Victoria Nyanza and for the opportunities they have to share Christ’s teaching on marriage and family life. May they trust in you as they cope with unemployment and poverty. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.



Acts 3.12-20

¹² When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him.

¹⁴ But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶ And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. ¹⁷ "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸ In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, ²⁰ so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah appointed for you, that is, Jesus.

Psalm 4

¹ Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness: when I was hard-pressed you set me free; be gracious to me now and hear my prayer.

² **Children of earth, how long will you turn my glory to my shame: how long will you love what is worthless and seek after lies?**

³ Know that the Lord has shown me his wonderful kindness: when I call to the Lord he will hear me.

⁴ **Tremble, and do no sin: commune with your own heart upon your bed and be still.**

⁵ Offer the sacrifices that are right: and put your trust in the Lord.

⁶ **There are many who say 'Who will show us any good?: the light of your countenance, O Lord, has gone from us.'**

⁷ Yet you have given my heart more gladness: that they have when their corn, wine and oil increase.

⁸ **In peace I will lie down and sleep: for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.**

1 John 2.15-17, 3.1-6

¹⁵ Do not love the world or the things in the world. The love of the Father is not in those who love the world; ¹⁶ for all that is in the world—the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, the pride in riches—comes not from the Father but from the world. ¹⁷ And the world and its desire are passing away, but those who do the will of God live forever.

¹ See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. ⁴ Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵ You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶ No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him.

Luke 24.36b-48

^{36b} Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹ While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴ Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.



Celebrations

Birthdays: Beryl Shropshall (Mon 15th)
Hazel Kitney (Wed 17th)
Florence Khimbi (Wed 17th)



Anniversaries: Lisa & Charlie Spargo (Wed 17th)

Other:

Next Sunday's Readings

Readings – Fourth Sunday of Easter (21 April 2024 Year B)

Acts 4.5-12; Psalm 23; 1 John 3.16-25; John 10.11-18

Rosters and Group Meetings

RHS Biscuit Roster: 15 Apr, Doris Martin; 22 April, Hazel Kitney

St. Andrew's MU: meet on 2nd Thursday of the month at 1.30pm in the Fellowship Room.

Notices

Offerings: Parishioners are encouraged to consider direct debit offerings. Details for direct debit are:

From Account:

From: xxxxxxxx

Your/Business name: **Offering**

Payment Details

Account Name: Riverton Parish

BSB: 706001

Account No: 30005512

Message: Offering



Our Post Office banking will no longer accept cheques. If you are unable to use the direct debit facility listed above, offerings can be made in cash through the collection plate on Sunday. No cheques please.

Notices

Midweek Services (February to April): While Lisa is on leave, we will likely only have clergy cover for Sundays. Our regular midweek service will therefore be on hold for that period. During this time, you may like to take the opportunity to join services in our neighbouring parishes throughout the Deanery:

- St Augustine's (Lynwood) - Tuesday 9:30am
- St Michael's (Mt Pleasant) - Wednesday 9am *Sung Eucharist
- St Basil's (Murdoch) - Wednesday 11:30am
- All Saints (Bull Creek) - Wednesday 1pm

Thankyou: Congratulations and thank you to Ann and her team for the wonderful lunch and entertainment in appreciation of Lisa's five years of ministry with us. Everyone enjoyed the event immensely. A total of \$330 was raised for the church.

Rosters: The new roster for April to June 2024 is available in the foyer. If you haven't done so and you have a rostered position, please collect the one with your name on it.

Trading Table: commences today. Any goods for the table will be most welcome. *Jan*

A Bazaar/Raffle Day: will be held on May 5 during morning tea to raise funds for the church. Raffle tickets will be sold at \$5 each and everyone is guaranteed a prize. Prizes will be separate for ladies and men. Parishioners are welcome to donate prizes and must be new items costing at least \$5. Indicate whether the item is for a Lady or a Man. Tickets can be purchased from Ann and the ticket sale deadline is April 28. For the Bazaar, items such as cakes, finger food, handicrafts, plants etc. will be sold and parishioners are encouraged to bring some items for sale on May 5. Please note that all transactions will be done in cash only. *Ann*

Koorong Christian Bookstore: has a branch in Canningvale at 1/180 Bannister Road. They have a broad selection of Christian books and gifts.

Parish Council: meeting this Thursday 18 April at 7:00pm in the Meeting Room.

Visitor Information

Children: Children's Activity Bags are available for parents and children to utilise during our services. Each bag includes a variety of books and materials that suit a wide range of ages, from toddlers through to young teens. You can find the bags at the back of the church. Please ensure they are returned after the service, for use by others next week.

Conveniences: Toilets and baby change facilities are located in the hall, accessible via the side door near the children's play area.

Communion: You are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us, if this is your usual practice in your own church community. Alternatively, if you or your children wish to receive a blessing instead, please indicate this by keeping your hands behind your back when you come forward to the communion rail. Gluten free wafers are available - if required, please alert the priest when you come forward.



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Roster:

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