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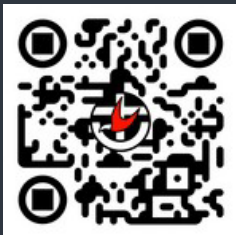
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Ephesians 2:8-10

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

welcome

Morning Worship **9:30am**

led by Rev. David Stuart

Messy Church on Zoom **6:30pm**

Led by Phil & Laurie

Thought for the week

Scripture in Song My earliest memories are

of learning Sunday School songs such as Jesus Loves Me, Build on the Rock and Jesus Wants me for a Sunbeam so scripture certainly started in song! Another practice of those days was to learn memory verses each week (many now gone from the memory!). Along my life’s journey several verses have been particularly significant. At primary school I first became aware of Scripture Union the key verse for which is Psalm 119 :105, ‘Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path’. John 3:16 was a prominent verse of the Billy Graham Crusades of 1959. About this time I was also influenced by Philippians 4 :13 , ‘I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me ’- a text written in a new Testament given to me on a special occasion. Can you believe my High School motto was ‘ Do Justly Love Mercy’? My high school was Wiley Park Girls High, now in the centre of the Sydney Muslim community! Over the years another significant verse has been Proverbs 3:5-6, ‘Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your path’.

There does not seem to be the same emphasis these days on memory verses but I am delighted when something is brought to mind through ‘Scripture in Song’. By *Annette Arthur*

PRAYERS

Pray for Eden Playtime and give thanks for its activities and contacts.

Pray for the children and leaders of Kids’ Club and Three:Sixteens Youth Group.

Pray for couples and friends.

Pray for all the residents of Wollongong, the Mayor, Gordon Bradbery, and Councillors and for the residents of the Keiraview neighbourhood.

Give thanks for continuing prayer and for the monthly Prayer Meeting

COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Tues 16 th	09:30-11:00	Coffee & Chat with Keith Smyth
Tues 16 th	10:00-12:00	Eden Playtime & Community Gardening
Tues 16 th	13:15-14:45	KYB Women’s Bible Study
Fri 19 th	16:00-17:30	Kids Club Years K-4
Fri 19 th	19:00-20:30	Three:Sixteens Youth Group Years 5-9
Sat 20 th	13:00	Kids’ Camp Out

Evening Service this week will be a Messy Church service at 18:30 on zoom with Phil Crawford & Laurie Aldridge. Join the zoom here <https://bit.ly/3rKibeW>. You’ll need a pen and paper, and enough lollies for all the family!



From the Safe Church Team

The current restrictions are as follows:

Capacity of our building is 274 based on 1 person/2m². However, during services when we are singing the capacity reduces to 137 based on 1 person/4m².

Physical distancing of 1.5m should be maintained as far as practical. This is what determines the placing of the seats in the church.

When the congregation is singing all people over 12 years must wear a face mask. This also applies to those people who are not participating in singing.

For those having Morning Tea please continue to maintain physical distancing while getting your cuppa and whilst sitting at the tables.

If you have any questions regarding our COVID Safe Plans or the procedures we have put in place, please speak to the Safe Church Team (Gavin Whitten, Vi Richardson, Phil Crawford or Pauline Doyle) or email safechurch@keiraview.org



All Keiraview volunteers have been asked to fill in a volunteer form and return it to the Safe Church Team ASAP. Printed copies are available at

Ministry Shaped Ministry Course If you missed the taster day yesterday, there is another one next week (20th March) at 09:30-13:30 @ Nowra UC, and also streamed on Zoom.

More details <https://ctm.uca.edu.au/lay-ministries/mission-shaped-ministry/>. Register by the Thurs before by emailing admin.ip@nswact.uca.org.au



7 Days of Solidarity is coming up 18th – 25th April. UnitingWorld connects you to the global church. Each day there'll be a new story of God changing the world through one of our global neighbour's partner churches. Celebrate and join the movement and do your part. Pray. Change. Give.

<https://donate.unitingworld.org.au/7dos>

Plastics Collection Roslyn Welsh is collecting bread tags, bottle tops and plastic pill tray/foil packs. You can bring them to Roslyn on Sunday mornings.



Wesley Mission Meals Program

The Keiraview Congregation have for many years been a keen supporter of this program with weekly gifts of non - perishable food items being delivered to Wesley. During COVID restrictions this collection has been on hold but now it is time to restart. Wesley have continued throughout the uncertainty of the past year to provide Food Parcels to the City's needy. If you can and would like to help please bring your donated pre-packed non - perishable food each Sunday and place in the container provided in the Church Foyer. Your gift will be appreciated.

Holy Week Reflections

The week before Easter is known as 'Holy Week' beginning with Palm Sunday and ending on the Saturday night before Easter Day. The Revised Common Lectionary provides bible readings for each day of Holy Week, tracing Jesus' week leading up to his crucifixion and death.

As I was looking at these readings this morning I thought how interesting and insightful it would be to hear what others think about them. This led me to an idea of giving people an opportunity to write a reflection on the readings as a way of engaging with the journey of the week leading up to Easter and offering something for others to use in their times of study and prayer.

Would anyone like to write a reflection of 100-200 words on one reading from Holy Week to be collated and made available for the congregations?

There are six readings for Monday – Saturday of Holy Week which the reflections will be based on:

Mon 29 th Mar	John 12:1-11
Tues 30 th Mar	John 12:20-36
Wed 31 st Mar	John 12:21-32
Thurs 1 st Apr	John 13:1-17, 31-35
Fri 2 nd Apr	John 18:1-19:37
Sat 3 rd Apr	John 19:38-42

If this is something you would like to be involved in, please contact me, or if you know someone on the congregations who might like the opportunity to be part of it, please pass this on to them. Rev. David Stuart

Climate Action Conference

Future Directions Conference is on this Saturday 20th March from 09:00-17:00. Come and discuss and strategise for the next phase of the Synod Climate Action Strategy. Register here <https://bit.ly/2N008Qn>

WWPS Breakfast Club

A new ministry opportunity has arisen from our relationship with West Wollongong Public School. A few weeks ago the school mentioned they were looking for a group to coordinate their Breakfast Club, so a small group from our church began discussing the possibility of Keiraview UC taking it on. After some prayer and further discussion, it was agreed we would offer to do it.

The breakfast club will begin in Term 2, with breakfast being served to students on Monday and Wednesday each week. The first day of serving will be Wednesday 21 April 2021. We would like a team of at least five volunteers willing to commit to being available from 8am - 9am on a Monday and / or Wednesday to set-up the

breakfast club, serve the students who attend, and then pack up. A current WWCC and Safe Church accreditation (or willingness to obtain) will be required.



Kitchen Items A number of items are missing from the Keiraview kitchen. Maybe you took home some leftovers in a container? If so, please return empties promptly as they may need to be used.

Thank you A big 'Thank You' to everyone who helped make last Saturday's Market Day such a success. \$3,100 was raised. Thank You to everyone who gave or cooked items to sell and to everyone who helped man the stalls. A special Thank You to everyone who helped set up the stalls and pack up at the end of the day.

All left over suitable items have been donated to other charities. Thank You to everyone who came and shopped, enjoyed a delicious Devonshire Tea, sausage sizzle or eat or took home some delicious Thai Food. .It was a whole Church effort and an enjoyable day by all and time of fellowship.

Thank You again especially from Juli and Pasin the children we sponsor at Agape Children's home. Robyn Johnson.

Kids' Camp Out Keiraview will be hosting a kids' camp out next weekend starting from 13:00 on Saturday 20th, and ending on the Sunday morning after breakfast. Parents/carers will need to fill in a permission form for each family. More details from Khairul - youth@keiraview.org

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Banking Details If you prefer to do an electronic bank deposit as offertory, the details are:

Keiraview Uniting Church, BSB: 634 634, Account #: 100017747

ROSTER

21st MAR 2021

Flowers

Leonie Erskine

AV/Streaming

Rod Doyle
Khairul Hamden

Welcomers

Colin Gold
Pat Robinson

Announcements

Annette Arthur

Elder

Pauline Doyle

Music

Lurline Butler

Bible Reader

Bev Ratcliffe

Prayer

Minister

Offering Counting

Clive Arthur
Alan Bradley

Morning Tea

Sandy Brisbane
Collen Claydon
Robyn Johnson
Allan Kew

READINGS

LENT 5

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 51:1-12 / 119:9-16
Hebrews 5:5-10
John 12:20-33

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