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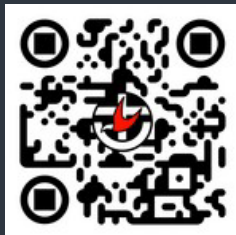
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Psalm 84:1-2

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!

My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord;

My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.

welcome

Morning Worship **9:30am**

YouTube Service

Evening Worship **6:00pm**

Zoom Fellowship

Thought for the Week

We have placed our confidence in Him,
and He will continue to rescue us.

2 Corinthians 1:10

Paul wrote: 'we think you ought to know, dear brothers and sisters, about the trouble we went through in Asia. We were crushed and overwhelmed...we thought we would never live through it. In fact, we expected to die. But as a result, we stopped relying on ourselves and learned to rely on God, who raises from the dead. And He did rescue us from mortal danger, and He will rescue us again.' (2 Corinthians 1:8-10).

For Paul, what looked like the end of the road was just the beginning of a fresh infusion of God's power and favour into his life. As a result, Paul went on to say that through it all he learned not to trust in himself, but in God 'who raises the dead.'

It's when our plans look dead that God's resurrection power begins to operate in our life in greater measure. As long as we have a loving heavenly Father to call on, a word from the Lord to stand on, and faith to activate it, we've got every reason to be confident and hopeful.

Rely on God and expect Him to release His power on your behalf, then wait and watch as He uses your situation for good.

Why? Because we're trusting the One who can really do something about it. Always remember that no matter how strong or successful we are, there'll never be a time in our life when we don't need God's grace and guidance. And He wants to be part of our life.

Say 'thank You' to God for everything that goes right today. Thank Him for being in everything that goes wrong, so that you can learn to trust Him in all circumstances.

Robyn Bradley (from a Book of Devotions)

PRAYERS

Pray for all those in our country struggling in lockdown; for those who are lonely, those who are anxious, and those suffering from hardship.

Pray for all essential workers and their families.

Pray for the students, families and staff of Wollongong West Public School.

Pray for the people of Afghanistan, pray for peace and protection of the vulnerable.

A Prayer from UCA Lectionary

Gracious God, although we once were strangers, you receive us as friends and draw us home to you. Set your living bread before us that, feasting around your table, we may be strengthened to continue, the work to which your Son commissioned us. Amen.



Youth Group

The Three:Sixteens Youth Group meets online (zoom) on Friday evenings. Our youths in Years 5-9 have been socialising virtually all term and have enjoyed a time of fellowship through online games, devotions and shared activities. This week they created amazing pancake art!!!

Contact Scott or Khairul youth@keiraview.org for more information and the zoom link to join in the fun!



Uniting Climate Action Network

Are you interested in climate conversations with your local MP. The Uniting Church is having an online gathering on **Wed. 25th August** from **7 - 8:15pm**.

Find out how to share your concerns, express your care of creation and help share our nation's climate policies.

Contact Jon O'Brien joo'Brien@uniting.org for more info. Register here: <https://bit.ly/3D7Xhw8>

WWPS Food Hampers

Hampers are being distributed by Wollongong West Public School to families in need. Keiraview UC members are helping to donate food items to put into the hampers. Items needed:

- UHT milk, pasta, rice, tomato-based sauces, breakfast cereals
- Non-perishable foods
- Tissues, soap, toothpaste
- Preferably not sweet treats or high sugar food items

Jenny Almond and Pauline Doyle are collecting donations on Sunday afternoons. If you have items to pick up then please let them know before Sunday. Fae & Kevin are the collection point for Farmborough Grove Retirement Village (COVID safe drop off on the verandah please).

YouLEAD+ Deep Dive Leading Worship

Are you 18-35 and interested in learning more about how to lead worship?

Meeting from **23/08 – 20/09** in 5 consecutive **Mondays 7 - 9pm** zoom meetings. The seminars are free of charge. Register at this link <https://bit.ly/3ACQwAD>



Hats for the Homeless (HFH) 2021 Winter Postage Fundraiser

Sydney lockdown is imposing large postage costs in getting our beanies out to those in need and wool to our knitters and loomers.

Over 500 beanies have been posted to our delivery partners in Sydney, Canberra and South Coast since lockdown commenced. Are your church or individuals able to support this project by donating towards postage costs?

Mustard Seed Uniting Church will accept direct debit donations on behalf of HFH.

Mustard Seed UCA BSB 062 020 Account 10048150

Description: HFH Donation (your church or name)

Enquiries: Pastor Susan Russell 0439 320 347

Please convey my sadness to the Keiraview congregation at the loss of their former minister Annette. I am conscious of the challenging journey you have faced as a congregation, with Annette's sickness, her leaving and her returned sickness and death. Just wanted you to know I am thinking of you and the members of the congregation. Blessings, *Glenys Biddle*



Hold That Thought @ Home

Hold That Thought is a way to connect and to join the conversation about faith. The series features ministers and others providing short sermons of around 90 seconds. The new season started last week.

Guests for this season include:
Rev. Karen Mitchel Lambert and
Rev. Christine Palmer.

With lockdown underway in both NSW and the ACT (now extended to 30 September in NSW), the series' guests have recorded their own videos from home.

You can view all the videos so far at <https://www.facebook.com/holdthatau>



Wesley Community Centre Meals Program

Food donations to Wesley are currently not permitted, however the Meals Program still continues to provide emergency meals (COVID safe from their door) to those in need in our City. If you would like to continue helping to support them in the meantime, you can donate financially. BSB 634634 , Account #: 100 031 140,
Account Name: Wollongong Mission Benevolent Service.

An advertisement for Lifeline. The background is dark blue. On the left, there are two rows of four windows each, each showing a different person in various situations (e.g., a person on a wheelchair, a person talking on a phone, a person holding a cup). The text 'Hello Neighbour!' is written in white across the middle. On the right, the text 'Through COVID-19, we're here for you.' is written in white. Below this, the Lifeline logo (a circular pattern of dots) and the number '13 11 14' are displayed in white.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

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