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4th Sunday of Easter

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Keiraview Uniting News



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A Fairtrade Faith Community

1 Pt. 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Welcome

Morning Worship **9:30am**
Led by David Stuart

Evening Worship **6:00pm**
Led by David Stuart

Together In Community

In this season of the resurrection, the life of Christ is still uppermost in our minds, and Jesus' promise that he has come to give life is at the heart of our reflections. The rest of the Gospel, though, and the other readings, all reflect on how life is lived when the care and compassion of God direct us. In the Acts reading we are given a glimpse at the true community of the first disciples and their care for one another. In Psalm 23 we are reminded of God's care and attention toward God's people. In Peter's letter, written to those who are being persecuted for Christ's sake, there is the assurance that their suffering is not meaningless, and that it is a sharing in Christ's sacrifice, even as God – the Shepherd and Guardian of the believers' souls – watches over them. Finally, Jesus, in speaking about his life, warns about those who pretend to care for 'the sheep' but don't. In a confusing contrast he is both the Shepherd who does care, and the gate through which the true Shepherd enters to call the sheep, and through which the sheep pass in order to find pasture and life.

The essential message is clear – the life of Jesus is given and received by mutual care, compassion and protection. The resurrection does not offer some individualised, blissful life. Rather, it calls us into a life that is shared with others who follow Christ, to whom we belong and for whom we are responsible, even as they as are called to care for us. It is only together – in community – that Christ's life can be known and enjoyed.

PRAYERS

Pray for the children and staff at the Agape Children's Home in Thailand

Pray for those who are grieving, that God may comfort them and help those around them know best how to comfort them

Pray for those who are experiencing loneliness, grief or isolation. Pray also for the vulnerable and those at increased risk of interpersonal and domestic violence

Pray for Doo Ah and her ministry with UOW students on and off campus

Pray for our church youth and our youth leaders, that they may be strong in the Lord and emboldened to share the joy and blessing of Christ in fellowship with one another and others

COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Tues May 2nd	10:00am- 12:00pm	Eden Playtime
Tues May 2nd	1:00pm- 3:00pm	KYB Bible Study
Thurs May 4th	9:30am- 2:30pm	Ethical Ministry Workshop
Thurs May 4th	4:00pm 5:00pm	Keiraview Bible Group
Thurs May 4th	5:00pm- 8:00pm	Keiraview Community Night
Fri May 5th	7:00- 9:00pm	Regeneration Youth

From the Safe Church Team

As at 27th August 2022

- SPEAK OUT allows you to anonymously raise any concerns you have about our congregation, or any Uniting services or entities. If anything does not feel right to you, SPEAK OUT.

Independent and confidential hotline:
1800 951 145

COVID is Still Around

- It is very important that we have good ventilation. If you are the first one at a meeting or gathering, please OPEN the windows.
- Be aware of the symptoms of COVID. If you do have symptoms, do a RAT or get a PCR test. Avoid gatherings and services when you are unwell.
- You are encouraged to wear good quality masks when gathering indoors, particularly when it is difficult to maintain safe distance from others.



Any questions? Talk to the Safe Church Team (Gavin Whitten, Vi Richardson, Phil Crawford or Pauline Doyle) or email:

safe-church@keiraview.org



Bible Studies at Keiraview

KYB Study : Starting again from Tuesday 2nd May at 1pm. All women are welcome to attend.

Thursday Afternoon Bible Study: Starting again from Thursday 27th April at 4pm. All over-18s welcome.

If you or your teen would like to help start or attend a new small group for study, prayer and fellowship, please contact Naomi at office@keiraview.org to register interest.

Agape Children's Home Update

Most of the travellers to Agape Children's Home have now returned to Australia, with Lurline and Robyn remaining for another two weeks, working specifically with the children aged 5-10 years.

On behalf of Agape they would like to extend a huge thanks for the April donations, some of which went towards the painting of a secure pool fence. Any remaining funds will go toward school uniforms for the children who are new to the home.

Please keep the children living at Agape and those who care for them in your prayers.



Brooke Prentis Workshop

Ahead of voting for the Indigenous Voice to Parliament, CEO of Common Grace Brooke Prentis is holding a workshop at Keiraview to provide information and ideas..This will be held 4:00-5:30pm on Sunday 14th May (Mother's Day), going straight onto a 6:00pm evening service with pizza.

Suggested contribution for the workshop is \$15, to help support Brooke in the important work she does. A contribution toward the pizza service would also be greatly appreciated. A full flyer will be available next week.

Please RSVP to David or to Naomi at office@keiraview.org

Regeneration Youth

KUC's Youth Group, formerly known as Three:Sixteens, has been rebranded as Regeneration Youth 😊 The group meets Fridays during term 7:00-9:00pm, usually in the church hall.

Please see Gillian, Khairul, Danny or Makayla for more details, or email Naomi at office@keiraview.org

KYB Bible Study

The Know Your Bible study group is on hiatus for the Easter holidays and will recommence on May 2nd. We will be studying 1 and 2 Thessalonians every Tuesday in term time between 1-3pm. All ladies are invited to join this group as we study the Bible and have fellowship together.

For further details, please see Bev Patton.

Living Our Faith Series

Living Our Faith is a seven-module course for those who want to deepen their understanding of Christian faith and theology. The series is designed for laypeople and no prior study is required – just sign up and join us for one or more of the available courses.

Each Living Our Faith course can be done for personal interest or taken for credit toward Lay Preacher accreditation. Best of all, though, it is for anyone who wants to broaden and deepen their relationship with God.

For those wishing to become a Lay Preacher in the Uniting Church, you will be required to complete the Living Our Faith series before accreditation. Courses done for credit involve several light assignments.

There are seven courses in the Living Our Faith series:

- **Living Our Values** (an introduction to the history, theology, and polity of the UCA)
- **Leading Worship in the Uniting Church**
- **Exploring Theology**
- **Exploring the Old Testament**
- **Exploring the New Testament**
- **Proclaiming Jesus Christ**
- **Lay Preachers' Code of Ethics Workshop** (2 hours)

Courses are run both face-to-face and online via Zoom.

If you would like to join – or form! - a group to do one of these courses at the church over Zoom, please contact David or the church office.

Volunteer Forms

Could all Keiraview Volunteers please return the following forms to Naomi or Pauline ASAP:

- 1) Completed Volunteer Details Form
- 2) Signature page from the Code of Conduct **and**
- 3) for "High Trust Volunteers" the signature page of the Volunteer Manual.

If you have any questions, please send an email to Pauline or Naomi.

Dapto Op Shop Fashion Parade

Dapto Uniting Church will be holding their Op Shop fashion parade at the church (122 Princes Hwy, Dapto) at 2pm on May 20th.

Our suggested entry donation is \$10. There will be an afternoon tea served and you will be able to purchase clothes on the day – EFTPOS is available.

For more details or to book a place, please contact Janet at exercisecare@gmail.com

Combined Prayer Meeting?

Doo Ah Leeming, the Illawarra Presbytery's Tertiary Minister, is interested in holding a combined weekly prayer meeting for Keiraview people and students from the UOW at Keiraview on Monday afternoons around 1:00pm.

If you are interested in joining such a group please phone Doo Ah on 0416 491 531 or by email her at revdooah@gmail.com

ROSTER

7th May 2023

Flowers

Bronwyn Wilson

AV/Streaming

Kath Hamdan

Khairul Hamdan

Welcomers

Keith Smyth

Thelma Smyth

Announcements

Clive Arthur

Elder

Alayne Guerin

Music

Kerryn Morrison

Bible Reader

Lyn Jones

Prayer

Norma Coudrey

Communion Preparation

Alayne Guerin

Communion Elders

Scott Morrison

Lyn Jones

Offering Counting

Clive Arthur

Lyn Jones

Morning Tea

Sandy Brisbane

Glenys Johnston

Sue Lattimore

Geoff Lattimore

READINGS

APRIL 23, 2023

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Ps 116 1-4, 12-19

1 Pt 1:17-23

Lk 24:13-35



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INDEPENDENT AND CONFIDENTIAL HOTLINE

1800 951145

For more information go to:
speakout.uca.org.au



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