

*Proclaiming Christ in word and action;  
Growing in care, love and service*



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**Next Wednesday:** 9.00 am Holy Eucharist: St Margaret:

**Next Saturday:** 5.30 pm Vigil Eucharist: St Stephen

**Next Sunday: Easter 5**

9.00 am PPP: St Ann

11.00 am Holy Eucharist : Christ Church

10.30 am PPP: St Margaret

10.30 am Youth Service: St Nicholas:

No Service: St James



**Next Sunday** Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21:1-6, John 13:31-35

**Acknowledgement of Country:** We acknowledge the cultures of our First Nation Peoples & are thankful for the community we share together. We pay our respects to the Kaurna People.

## Sentence

**May 8 2022 4th Sunday of Easter**

The lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Revelation 7:17

## Collect

Gracious God, you sent Jesus, the good shepherd, to gather us together: may we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and

**Thought for the Week:** Today is often known as Good Shepherd Sunday because of the Gospel reading. In some parts of the Church it is also known as Vocations Sunday, where people think about their own vocation, and how they might support others', particularly in terms of the Church's ordained ministry. If I were to examine myself, would I find areas of my life where I had felt God's call and responded to it? Have I helped others to discern their vocation and respond?

- Help me to hear your call, Good Shepherd, that I might do what you would have me do. Help me to encourage others on their journey towards the Church, whether to become priests, or members of religious communities, or as faithful lay people. May your sheep hear and heed your voice, O Lord.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, remembering especially today the staff and students at Newton Theological College in Popondetta.

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## Acts 9:36-43,25-29

### *A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*Hear the word of the Lord.*

***thanks be to God.***

### Hymn 81 (Psalm 23)

1 The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never.  
I nothing lack if I am his,  
and he is mine forever.

2 Where streams of living water flow,  
my ransomed soul he leadeth;  
and where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me;  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill,  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and oh, what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days,  
thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house forever.



## Revelation 7:9-17

*A reading from the book of Revelation.*

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia**

## John 10:22-30

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John..* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice.

I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.

The Father and I are one."

*For the Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



# *In the Mission Partnership This Week*

All items for Church Chatter should be either e-mailed ([sanderwt@bigpond.com](mailto:sanderwt@bigpond.com)) or phoned (8556 4535) to the Editor by Wednesday evening. Thank you for your cooperation.

Today: ACH Service,. Yankalilla

Monday : Another day to be with the Lord

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10.00 am Scripture Study

11.15 am Maggie's Mates

Thursday: Another day to be with the Lord

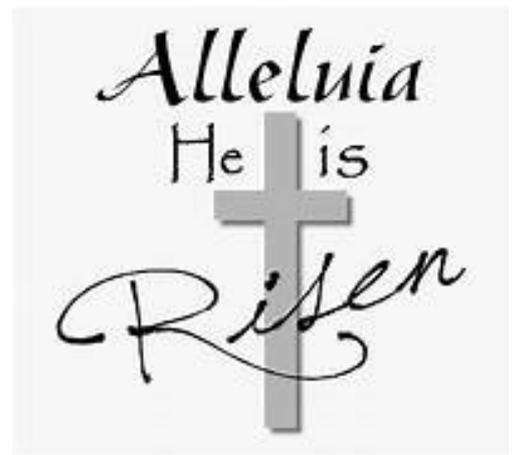
11.15 am Prayers for Peace, S. Ann

Friday: Another day to be with the Lord

Saturday: Another day to be with the Lord

10.00 am Car Boot Sale, SCC

6.45 pm Saturday Night Out



## **Prayer of the week**

God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of everlasting covenant: make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Church Chatter:**

**Christian Care and Support Centre**— needs supplies for May 2022. Place gifts (staple items preferred) in the outside basket or deliver to the Centre. Forget? Make a donation!

## **Those we pray for this week:**

Pray for ABM and the Philippine Independent Church, and for Anglican Mothers' Union Australia and Reconciliation. We give thanks for the Christian initiated literacy program in Cambodia. We pray for The Diocese of Bunbury, Bishop Ian Coutts, the clergy and people. We remember the ministry of BCA staff, Jim & Natalie Watson, Leanyer, NT and the NT Christian Schools Trade Training Centre, and we pray for part-time Chaplains in the RAN.

In our Diocese we pray for Bp Keith Dalby, and family,. We remember the ministry of the Parish Of the Murray, Dean David Price, clergy and people. We pray for Pastoral Care worker Wendy Lindsay, Yankalilla Area School.

## **Those we continue to pray for:**

. Jac Bishop: Eileen Cook; Yvonne Scrutton; Brenda; Ted & Joyce and Miriam; Catherine Cooling; Sue Smith and *any others we wish to remember.*

**From the beginning of Lent this new prayer list was created. If you wish to add people from the previous list or new people, please contact the Editor .**