

EVENTS AND DATES TO NOTE

Prayer Hub	Friday 14th April. - 7.30am.
ALPHA	Commences Friday 21 April - 6.30pm.
B. LED	Sat 22 April, 6.50 - 9pm. Comm Life UC.
Day Camp	During Mid year School holidays.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

ALPHA Prayer (Zoom)	Each Wed. 7pm.
Coffee Chat & Chew	Thursdays! Oxley Café - from 9am.
Garden Lovers Club	4th Thursday monthly - 9.30am Contact Harry Thompson.
Social & Craft Group	Meets 1st, 3rd, & 5th Mondays of the month - 9.30am (except Public Holidays). Next - 3 April. Contact: Jan Thompson or Steph Rankin.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

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We are a community of God's people passionate about lifting the name of Jesus, worshipping Him and serving our community. Whether you join us in person or on line, whether you are with us every week or as it happens, you are special, unique and appreciated. Thank you for your contribution! Our prayer is that we may get to know each other deeply over time and that you may embrace Jesus' love for you always and in all ways!

TODAY'S WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

6AM - Dawn Service (brekky to follow) / 9AM - Rev Dave

6PM Combined ecumenical Service - Rev Iain Moore

Lectionary Readings Jer .31:1-6 Ps.118:1-2 Col. 3: 1 -4 Mt 28:1-10

Next Week - 16th April

Morning Service	9am	Rev Dave Thomas
Evening Service	5pm	Rev Dave Thomas

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"The message we preach is Christ, who has been raised from the dead. "

(Paul - 1 Cor. 15: 12)

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS



GO AND TELL

Bek shared her testimony one Sunday morning. She shared the difference between her former life, which was, in her words, horrible and disgusting due to bad choices and her new life as a born again daughter of God. She remarked how as she lay on her lounge room floor and asked Jesus to forgive her and 'do something with her life' that she felt something happening on the inside. "I freaked out a bit", she said, "but then I wondered if this Jesus person really was doing something". After some time lying, weeping, laughing, reflecting on what had happened over the last couple of hours, Bek thought she had done it all. But her life was just beginning! There was so much more for her to do. She said that God had certainly met her and began a transformational work within her, but she could not just stay in that moment, as good as it was. She knew she had to share her story that others might experience what she had.

Bek had a resurrection encounter. She had been brought forth from her tomb and been released into a new day with a new way! Her story reminds me of the encounter that the women had with the risen Lord! One might have expected Jesus and Mary (John 20:16) to sit down right where they were and have a chat about what it was like to be raised from the dead. What did you feel? Were you aware of everything as it happened? I am sure there could have been so many questions from an inquisitive mind! But instead of that, Jesus refrains from getting too close and tells Mary to go and tell the other disciples. In essence Mary, there's no time to talk about what's not important. We read the same words in each of the 4 Resurrection accounts. "Go and tell". We have come to Sunday by going through Friday and Saturday! There is no other way! We have our Gethsemane, our cross, our death to die, to encounter the Risen Christ. And now, today, what was Friday's "it is finished" becomes "go and tell". Dave.

Praise and Prayer!

- ♦ For ALPHA - the training night on Friday 14th, the team and the ongoing invitations!
- ♦ For our young adults and their contribution to our lives!
- ♦ For our School communities during this holiday break!
- ♦ For Day Camp and its logistics and planning!

ALPHA – kicks off on Friday evening 21st April from 6.30 - 8.30pm and continues each Friday night for 10 weeks. Don't forget to join us in our Zoom prayer each Wednesday night at 7pm. Here's the link should you wish to join all or any! We'd love to have you join.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86315980534?pwd=b3hHYitVb09wd1RVemRFck0zWUpscQT09>

Meeting ID: 863 1598 0534

Passcode: 346055

JESUS IS ALIVE - EASTER CELEBRATIONS - RESURRECTION DAY

6am Dawn Service on the grass outside!

6.45am - Breakfast Together (Barbeque Style)

9.00am - Resurrection Service

6.00pm - Combined Ecumenical Service - here at OUC.

MOVIE - His Only Son - hits the screens from 30th March. It's the story about the sacrifice of Isaac by his father Abraham. His faith was tested. Our hope was born! You can view the trailer at www.hisonlysonmovie.com.au. Watch for it on local cinemas! See flyer on the notice board in the foyer!

PRESBYTERY DAY CAMP. This year's day camp will be hosted by Presbytery. There are 6 congregations involved in some way thereby spreading the load re leadership! We are looking for someone with the appropriate skills to be the Director. This will be a paid role and will facilitate the planning and event. Please see Dave if you know of any person!

B LED - Saturday 22nd April! This is a Presbytery young adults gathering. 6.50pm - 9.00pm at Community Life Uniting Church (ex Forest Lake UC). Join others for a night around the fire to be encouraged in Leadership, Empowered by the Spirit and Discipled to make Disciples! Any enquiries contact Jo Reynoldson 0477 990 121.

FINANCES - The Church's profit/loss for March is \$1,493.79 Gain. The Church's profit/loss for the Financial Year to Date is -\$8,334.28 Loss. Should you have any questions regarding the Church's finances please contact Assistant Treasurer Graham Coupland Ph 0409 687 046.

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