



FEATURED NEWS



YOU'RE
INVITED!

TO OUR PARISH DINNER

Lucky Star Tavern
397 Hellowell Rd, Sunnybank Hills
May 18th, at 6:00 PM

Please see inside pew sheet for more details

MISSION PARTNER



WELCOME

Welcome! We're delighted that you have been able to join us for worship and we pray that you might find a place to belong. We'd love for you to complete one of our Welcome Cards. If you are a communicant member of any denomination, you are welcome to join us for communion.

Please join us after the service for refreshments!

FROM THE VICAR

Today in our "Fruit-Full-ness" series we are looking at Galatians 5:16-26, where the apostle Paul discusses the fruits of the Spirit. This passage highlights the transformative power of spiritual gifts, emphasizing their purpose in cultivating holiness within individuals and communities.

Paul explains a clash between the desires of the flesh and the fruits of the Spirit. He appeals to believers to walk in the Spirit, indicating that when one aligns with these spiritual gifts—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control—they naturally manifest behaviours that reflect holiness.

This passage invites us to assess whether our actions come from the Spirit or the flesh. It also highlights the communal aspect of spiritual gifts, suggesting that they are not solely for personal edification but also for the collective pursuit of holiness within the body of Christ. Today we are challenged to examine ourselves and see if our life reflects holiness through the cultivation and expression of the fruits of the Spirit—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. But also, to use them as instruments for transformative change, both within ourselves and in the world around us.

In Christ
Rev'd Chris

GENERAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 26 April** - Mainly Music 10am
- 27 April** - Choir Practice 10am
- 4 May** - Café & Car Wash 8.30am
- 8 May** - Holy Communion & MU Branch meeting 9.30am
- 16 May** - Coffee and Chat 10am
- 18 May** - Parish Dinner, Lucky Star Tavern 6pm
- 21 May** - Parish Council meeting 7pm [no April meeting]

PHOTOCOPY PAPER:

A big thank you to those who donated photocopy paper. We are now starting to build up supplies once more.

PEWSHEET:

It has come to our attention it would be helpful to have some large print pewsheets. Therefore there will be a couple available each week in the foyer. We will print more if the demand is there.

MAINLY MUSIC:

Mainly Music started last Friday for Term 2 in 2024. All children 5 years and under are invited to attend sessions on Fridays at 10 am. There is always music and dance for the first half hour, then morning tea and a chance to play in the playground or the hall depending on the weather.

We could really do with some more help on Fridays – not with the music but in the kitchen, serving the morning tea, setting up and clearing away the equipment, washing up and working at the entrance desk. You would also get to know the children and their families or carers. Even if it is only occasionally it would be a great help. Please talk to Jenny or Kay or Rev'd Chris if you have

Friday mornings free and would be willing to assist at our sessions.

PARISH DINNER:

To celebrate our Patronal festival “Pentecost Sunday”, we are having a Parish Dinner on Saturday 18th May, 6pm at Lucky Star Taven, 397 Hellawell Rd, Sunnybank Hills.

The cost is \$35pp for a two-course meal (alternate drop), drinks are not included. Kid's meals [under 14's] are \$10 which include one small soft drink or juice. Payment can be made through the office, via EFT with reference “parish dinner and your Surname” or in a marked envelope “Parish Dinner and your name” in the offertory plate.

We do not want people to miss out on coming due to the cost. If this is a factor for you or your family, please talk to Rev'd Chris or Kerry in the office.

If you would like to join us, please put your name down on the clip board at the front of the church and fill out the details required. Or contact Kerry in the office.





For Holiness

WEEK 3

SUNDAY MORNING *SERMON NOTES:*
Fruit-Full-Ness - For Holiness -

READINGS

SENTENCE:

'I am the good shepherd,' says the Lord.
'I know my own and my own know me.'
John 10.14

A READING FROM ACTS, CHAPTER 4, VERSES 5-12:

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

"the stone that was rejected by you,
the builders;

it has become the cornerstone."

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS:

PSALM 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd:
therefore can I lack nothing.**
- 2 He will make me lie down in green
pastures:
and lead me beside still waters.**
- 3 He will refresh my soul:
and guide me in right pathways for his
name's sake.**
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:
for you are with me, your rod and your
staff comfort me.**
- 5 You spread a table before me
in the face of those who trouble me:
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup shall be full.**
- 6 Surely your goodness and loving-
kindness
will follow me all the days of my life:
and I shall dwell in the house of the
Lord for ever.**

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE GALATIANS, CHAPTER 5, VERSE 16-26:

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each

other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

**THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS
CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN,
CHAPTER 10, VERSES 11-18:**

‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am

the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace let us pray to the Lord saying, 'Lord, have mercy'.

For peace from on high and for our salvation:

Thank you Father that we have access to the Throne of Grace, through your Son. Help us walk in the humble way of peace, secure and confident in our salvation.

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God:

We pray for all parts of the Christian Church, for Palestinian Christians caught up in a turf war, for the Assyrian Orthodox Church caught up in an act of terror and the need for a reasoned and peaceful response and not a mob response that hindered those helping. Help them work through that situation Lord. We pray for the persecuted Church everywhere, that they will persist in being messengers of peace.

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, have mercy.

For peace among our bishops, clergy and people:

Exciting times, Lord as we pray for the Rev'd Canon Sarah Plowman as she prepares to be installed as Assistant Bishop. Quieten the clamour that may surround her, the million questions, her supporters and detractors as she approaches the mission ahead. Peace for Georgia and Hannah also as their Mum moves into this new role.

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, have mercy.

For peace among the leaders of the nations, and those in authority:

Remove all self-serving from those elected to authority or those that have seized it. Soften their hearts to see people in their distress, to hear

their cries and not harden their hearts to it, but exercise mercy, promote true peace (your peace) and walk in your way.

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of this city of Brisbane and its surrounding neighbours, and for every city and community, and for those who live in them in faith:

Lord help those who need a salve for their troubled hearts and minds find the cooling ointment of your Word, find a relationship with Jesus. Help disenfranchised youth find love and answers in your Christian communities, be led to Jesus in peace and steered away from false teachings that lead them to violence and false hope.

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, have mercy.

For our deliverance from all evil, strife, and need: Although defeated on the Cross, the enemy is still trying to distract as many of the faithful away from you as possible. Give to us all the gift of discernment. Guide us by your Spirit to know what is from you and gives us life and what is from the evil one and brings destruction. Help us not be distracted, but give you our focus as we wait for your coming in glory.

Let us pray to the Lord,

Lord, have mercy.

Heavenly Father, accept our prayers as we sing the words Jesus Christ our Saviour taught us:

Our Father in heaven ...

*Prayers compiled by Ian Nelson
and based on the Litany for Peace AAPA, p. 186*

ROSTERS

Date	21-4-24		28-4-24	
Roster	7.00am	9.00am	7.00am	9.00am
Worship Leader	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate
Preacher	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate	Rev'd Christopher Bate
LA Leader	Harry McGuire	Harry McGuire	Sue Reade	Allan Berry
LA Assistant	Robert Kake	Lorraine Jones		
Greeter	-	Kerry Tovey	-	Joan Harvey
Sidesperson	Rosemary Kake	Rhonda Nelson	Kay Morris	Dianne Bocquee
Reader 1	Rosemary Kake	Sandra Pearn	Norm Booth	Jenny Bullock
Reader 2	Margurita Smethurst	Dianne Bocquee	Robert Kake	Carol Booth
Offertory	Rosemary Kake	Rhonda Nelson	Kay Morris	Dianne Bocquee
Chapel Prayers	Margurita Smethurst	Dianne Bocquee	-	Carol Booth
Morning Tea	Sharon/Hugh	Jenny/Ruth	Kay O'Brien	Malini/Cecelia
Music Leader	Michael Po Saw	Ruth Barton	Michael Po Saw	Ruth Barton
AV Operator	Kay O'Brien	Malini/Chris	Adrian Scott	Rhonda/Ian
Prayers of the people	Ian Nelson		Rhonda Nelson	
Counting	Rhonda Nelson		Kerry Tovey	
Kids Church		Jenny/Kerry		Kerry/Helen

The heart of any thriving church community lies in the dedication of its volunteers who generously offer their time and skills. Currently, our church roster is in need of additional helping hands to support various essential tasks and ministries during our worship services. By joining the roster, we can continue to strengthen our church's mission and positively impact the lives of those we serve. We warmly welcome and encourage you to become an integral part of our dedicated volunteer team. Your contribution will make a significant difference to maintaining the vibrant spirit of our congregation.

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READINGS TODAY

Acts 4.5-12

Psalm 23

Galatians 5.16-26

John 10.11-18

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Acts 8.26-40

Psalm 22.26-32

1 Corinthians 12.1-11

John 15.1-8

SERVICES

SUNDAY

7AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

9AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

BANKING DETAILS

Tithes and Offerings:

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 0000 1070

Please consider your capacity and commitment to give to the work of this parish, by creating a recurring transfer.

ABN: 93 894 007 519

Giving for March **\$ 7,071**

Budgeted Amount \$ 7,500.00

PRAYER AND PRAISE

The Anglican Communion:

- The Anglican Church of Australia
- The Diocese of Riverina
- The Parish of Oakey
- St John's Home for Aged Men - Toowong
- All Saints Anglican School, Merrimac

Missions:

- We pray for our mission partner Anglicare and their ongoing work.

Our Community:

- Pray for the homeless, the lost, the lonely and those in need.

Our Parish:

- The Leadership team and each other as we follow God in our mission.

Those in need:

- Those known to us: Katherine, Susan, Tammy, John, Murray, Sharlene, Peter, Cameron, Sally, Russ, Jenny & Bough, Peter, Robert, Jenny, Mary, Daphne, Joyce, Pam, Sean, Allan & Varrie, Betty, Brian, Karen & Robert, Steve & Julie, John
- We pray for all who are grieving the loss of loved ones.
- We pray for all who are suffering from conflict and natural disasters.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

O God,

whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people:

help us when we hear his voice

to know him who calls us each by name,

and to follow where he leads;

who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

For more information: (07) 3132 7888 or visit www.holyspiritualgester.com