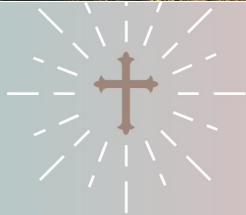




FEATURED NEWS



Welcome
Steven, Lilliana,
Ricardo

Welcome to Steven, Lilliana,
Ricardo and their family and
friends on this special day of their
baptism

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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 baptised member of any denomination, you are welcome to join us for communion. Please join us after the service for refreshments!

FROM THE VICAR

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

This Easter, we come to the empty tomb with the women, expecting death, but instead we hear the life-changing words: "He is not here; he has been raised." Easter declares that death does not have the final word, life does.

Over Lent, we have reflected on our baptism vows and the invitation they hold: to turn to Christ and to truly live. Today, that promise is made real. In Jesus' death on Good Friday, we see that God enters into our suffering, our anxiety, and the weight of life. In his resurrection, we see that hope is stronger than fear, and life is stronger than death.

In a world facing rising tensions, financial stress, and growing loneliness, Easter speaks a powerful truth: we are not alone, and we are not without hope.

Today, as we renew our baptism vows and celebrate the baptisms of Steven, Lilliana, and Ricardo, we are reminded that baptism is new life, life lived in the power of the risen Christ.

So, hear the invitation again this Easter: come and see... and go and live.

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

In Christ,
Rev'd Chris

GENERAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

6 April - Men's Dinner at Durack Tavern -
6.00 for 6.30pm.

8 April - Holy Communion Service 9.30am
- MU Branch Meeting with guest speaker

24 April - Mainly Music resumes Term 2
10am

26 April - KidsChurch resumes for Term 2

SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday 23 May - Parish Dinner

CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

We will be running a series of confirmation classes in May, culminating in a visit by Bp John on Sunday 19 July. Please speak with Rev'd Chris if you are interested.

GREETING CARDS:

The AMUA greeting cards have been restocked and now include a lovely selection of birthday cards for women and children. A few **Easter cards** are also available.

Unfortunately there has had to be a price increase, so that each card now costs \$2.

MEN'S DINNER:

On Monday 6 April (Easter Monday) we will meet 6.00 for 6.30pm at the Durack Tavern for dinner. Please add names to clipboard in the foyer or contact Hugh on 0412 091 479.

ZOOM:

A reminder if you wish to link into our 9am Sunday Services via Zoom, the details are:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82199826984>

Meeting ID: 821 9982 6984

COMMUNICATION:

If you have a concern or something's going on in your life, you can always speak to or email Rev'd Chris and don't assume that someone will share your situation. Chris's door is always open for a coffee/beer/wine catch-up.

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:

This month we remember the anniversaries of Lyla Twin and Marcelo Sikwa'ae.



This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

-Luke 24.34; Psalm 118.24-

A painting depicting Jesus walking on water, surrounded by a group of people in white robes. The scene is set on a body of water with a forested background under a bright sky. The text 'Week 7' and 'COME AND LIVE!' is overlaid on the image.

Week 7
COME AND LIVE!

SUNDAY MORNING *SERMON NOTES:*

READINGS

SENTENCE:

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

A READING FROM ACTS, CHAPTER 10, VERSES 34-43:

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

THE HYMN TO THE RISEN CHRIST:

[APBA pg.6]

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us:

so let us celebrate the feast,

Not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness:

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ once raised from the dead dies no more:

death has no more dominion over him.

In dying he died to sin once for all:

in living he lives to God.

See yourselves therefore as dead to sin: and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead: the firstfruits of those who sleep.

For as by one man came death:

by another has come also resurrection of the dead;

For as in Adam all die:

even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

**A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO
THE COLOSSIANS, CHAPTER 3,
VERSES 1-4:**

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

**THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW, CHAPTER 28,
VERSES 1-10:**

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to

him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Praise and honour to you, Jesus Christ, for you have triumphed gloriously.

We pray for your world: for the welfare of all your people and for your creation entrusted to our care;

for all in positions of authority; for men and women in their daily work.

Roll away the stones of hatred and greed.

Transform us with your spirit of justice and righteousness, that all your people may share in the freedom of your risen life.

Risen God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Praise and honour to you, Jesus Christ, for you have cancelled the power of sin.

We pray for your worldwide church: for our brothers and sisters in Christ, for the people of this parish and for all who make or renew baptismal vows today.

Roll away the stones of discord and unbelief.

Transform your church with your spirit of wisdom and truth, that we may be in the world a witness to your risen life.

Rise God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Praise and honour to you, Jesus Christ, for you show us the mighty power of love.

We pray for the communities in which we live and work; for our families, our friends and all whom we love; for the forgotten and undervalued people of society.

Roll away the stones of apathy and selfishness.

Transform our lives with your spirit of love and forgiveness, that we may share in the joy of your risen life.

Risen God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Praise and honour to you, Jesus Christ, for you bring us hope when all seems lost.

We pray for all who suffer: for the hungry and homeless, the lonely and friendless; for the sick and the sorrowing and all who care for them.

Roll away the stones of pain and despair.

Transform the lives of all who suffer with your comfort and balm, that they may share in the hope of your risen life.

Risen God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Praise and honour to you, Jesus Christ, for you have broken the bonds of death.

We give you thanks for your faithful people of every age; for Mary Magdalene, Peter and John and for all who have seen you and believed.

May we, following their example and yours, cast off all that binds us in death.

Transform our lives by your risen power, that we, with all your saints, may come to share forever in the glory of your risen life.

Risen God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Prayers taken from 'Let Us Pray' by Janet Nelson

ROSTERS

Date	5-4-26		12-4-26	
	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	Julie Elliker	Dianne Bocquee	Rosemary Kake	Ian Nelson
Greeter	-	Rhonda Nelson	-	Kerry Tovey
Sidesperson	Robyn Brodie	Malini	Joan Harvey	Lorraine Jones
Reader 1	Norm Booth	Kathy Carter	Kay O'Brien	Dianne Bocquee
Reader 2	Joan Harvey	Sandra Pearn	Sama O'Brien	Carol Booth
Offertory	Robyn Brodie	Malini	Joan Harvey	Lorraine Jones
Chapel Prayers	-	Rhonda Nelson	-	Sandra Pearn
Morning Tea	Kay Morris	Rachel/Kathy	Kay O'Brien	Kerry/Malini
Music Leader	Ruth Barton	Ruth Barton	Ruth Barton	Ruth Barton
AV Operator	Adrian Scott	Rhonda/Ian	Adrian Scott	Malini/Chris
Prayers of the people	Taken from 'Let Us Pray'		Carol Booth	
Counting	Malini		Rhonda Nelson	
Kids Church		School Holidays - in recess -		School Holidays -in recess -
Baptism		9am Service		

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

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READINGS TODAY

Acts 10.34-43

Hymn to the Risen Christ (APBA p.6)

Colossians 3.1-4

Matthew 28.1-10

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Acts 2.14a, 22-32

Ps 16

1 Peter 1.1-12

Matthew 5.1-16

SERVICES

SUNDAY

7AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

9AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

BANKING DETAILS

Tithes and Offerings:

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 0000 1070

Mission Partners:

BSB: 704 901 Acc: 0001 5767

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

ABN: 93 894 007 519

Offerings 2025 **\$77,149.00**

Budgeted 2025 \$90,000.00

PRAYER AND PRAISE

The Anglican Communion:

- La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
- The Diocese of Bathurst
- The Parish of Aspley-Albany Creek
- Wolston Correctional Centre
- Coomera Anglican College, Coomera

Missions:

- We pray for our mission partner ABM [Anglican Board of Mission] 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, Noelene, Tammy, John, Brian, Karen, Steve & Julie, Kelly Carlaw, Daphne, Betty, Leonnie, Russell & Denise, Joyce & Annette, Michael B, Gabby, Gwen, Bev
- 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

Almighty God,
you have conquered death
through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ
and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant us by your grace to set our mind on things
above,
so that by your continual help
our whole life may be transformed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit
in everlasting glory. **Amen.**

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