



ST PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

at Eastside Lutheran College
15 Acorn Drive, Warrane
Divine Service 9:00am
Sunday 12th April, 2015
Second Sunday of EASTER



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TODAYS READINGS

Acts 4:32-35 The believers share their possessions

1 John 1:1- 2:2 We have life and light through Jesus

John 20:19-31 Thomas sees the risen Christ and believes

AS WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

We do what Jesus commanded: we eat bread and drink wine, we believe what Jesus said: "This is my body", "This is my blood", we remember that Jesus died for us, we believe that God truly forgives our sins, we recognize that we are united with other communicants as one body, we look forward to the never ending feast in heaven.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We welcome visitors worshipping with us today. We hope you enjoy our service and feel free to enter God's presence with gladness. Please join us after the service for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat.

TODAY:

Reader: Garry Semmler

Ushers and Set Up: Zapart and Haigh

NEXT WEEK

Reader: Lorraine Semmler

Ushering: Harriss **Set Up:** Vieth **Flowers:** Harriss

Readings:

Acts 3:12-19 Peter's message in the temple

1 John 3:1-7 We are children of God

Luke 24:36b-48 Christ has fulfilled the scriptures

THIS WEEK IN BRIEF

Friday 12:00pm Men's lunch at the Kingston Hotel

Sunday 10:00am Service with Holy Communion

PASTORAL ASSISTANCE DURING THE PASTORAL VACANCY

For any pastoral assistance during the vacancy, please contact one of the Pastoral Assistants.

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CONTACT LIST

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Chairman: Garry Semmler

Vice Chairman: Nathan Heidenreich

Secretary: Lyndal Schneider

Treasurer: Juergen Evers

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Ladies' Friendship Group: Brigitte Potter (62436145, 0427436145)

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Prayer breakfast: Garry Semmler

Usher Roster: Garry Semmler

Cleaning Roster: Barbara Matuschka

Congregational Prayer Chain: Lorraine Semmler

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BULLETIN NOTICES:

To **Catherine Heidenreich** before 6:00pm on Thursday please.

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PRAYER POINTS

These are petitions and praises that will be in our prayers during our Sunday worship service, and that all of our members are encouraged to keep in their prayers during the week.

Petitions:

- For God to continue to smooth the way for the redevelopment of the hall so that progress can be made as quickly as possible.
- For the call committee as they look for new possibilities for a pastor to serve us in Hobart.

Healing:

For God to heal those with various health problems:

Karen Hawes, Elizabeth Kossmann, Geoff Freeman's sister, Samantha, Karl Vieth and Andrew Hoffman (Sonia Weidenbach's brother) who has Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

For all those who are weighed down with any kind of physical, mental, or spiritual burdens, that they experience God's healing power.

NOTICES:

ANZAC MEMORIAL GARDEN

The 100th Anniversary of the Gallipoli landing of World War 1 will be commemorated in 2015.

The Memorial Garden on the College Grounds is underway, located next to the basketball court in front of the hall garden with a completion date in early April ready for Anzac Day this year.

Plans can be viewed and are located on the back wall of the Hall and on the fence enclosure at the proposed garden. This garden will become a focus area for our community especially during times of annual commemoration and celebration as well as an area for individuals to spend some quiet prayerful time with God.

We still urgently need your Support. Any financial donation no matter how small to support this development will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Donations can be placed in an envelope marked Memorial garden and given to our College principal Ralph Zapart. Donations are tax deductible.

DURING THE VACANCY

During the vacancy, if members have a question or comment on a spiritual nature, can they direct the matter to all or one of the Pastoral Assistants:

Gunnar Adamczewski, Juergen Evers, Gundars Simsons, Tony Weidenbach

If members have a question or comment on an administrative nature, can they direct the matter to the Chairman or a member of Church Council:

Garry Semmler, Nathan Heidenreich, Lyndal Schneider, Juergen Evers

It is most important, for the smooth running of the Congregation during the vacancy, that these lines of communication are followed.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CHAIN

It's Never Too Late to be a part of the Congregational Prayer Chain.

Just let Lorraine Semmler know if you want to be involved in praying for others. Lorraine emails those on the prayer chain as needs arise so that as many people as possible can be praying for a particular concern.

Contact Lorraine at glsemmler1@bigpond.com

Text: John 20:24-25

One of the twelve disciples, Thomas (called the Twin), was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

Thomas said to them, "Unless I see the scars of the nails in his hands and put my finger on those scars and my hand in his side, I will not believe."



DAILY DEVOTION FROM LUTEHRAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA WEBSITE

Doing the dirty work - Luke 10:38-42

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat down at the feet of the Lord and listened to his teaching. Martha was upset over all the work she had to do, so she came and said, 'Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her to come and help me!' (verses 38-40)(read Luke 10:38-42)

Maybe there are important social reasons why Martha asks her guest to speak to Mary about what is upsetting her. Nevertheless, I am intrigued that Martha asks Jesus to do her dirty work for her. Social customs aside, surely Martha could have taken up this issue with Mary. After all, she's her sister, for goodness sake!

But can't you see yourself in Martha's shoes! For there are many occasions when we all steer clear of confronting someone where there is the possibility of conflict and pain. We would much prefer to hand the responsibility over to someone else—especially to God. 'God, you fix it for me!'

There is something beautiful about handing our concerns over to God. After all, Jesus responds to Martha's concern, even if not in the way she had hoped. In the same way, Jesus has taken on the responsibility of our greatest mess: our sin and brokenness. Surely we are rapt that he has done that.

Yet, there is still the question of those things we are responsible for. This little incident helps us think about those too.

Lord Jesus, may I never be afraid to get my hands dirty. Amen.

(adapted by Lutheran Media, from a devotion written by Pastor Bob Kempe in the LCA book "God's Promises for each day".