



Worship at St Luke's this weekend

Sunday 7 am: Holy Communion

(Hymns: TIS 59, TIS 143,vv1,3,5, TIS 561, TIS 531)

Sunday 9am: Family Service (also streamed via ZOOM*)

(Hymns: MP 1040, MP 976, MP 857, MP 394)

* <https://zoom.us/j/7210725462> or by telephone (07 3185 3730, meeting ID 721 072 5462).

We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand.

Rev'd Timothy writes...

As we continue to read the curated accounts of Jesus' ministry recorded by Matthew, this week we see a significant event: Jesus' ministry is not his alone, but it is something that is shared. Just as Jesus showed compassion (Matt. 9:36), which led to his proclamation, teaching and healing (Matt. 9:35), he sent out his disciples to do the same (Matt. 10:1,5).



These verses capture the heart of discipleship: responding to the needs of the people, relying on God's provision, and carrying forth the work of healing and restoration. To do this, Jesus tells his disciples to imitate him. This passage challenges us to see discipleship not as passive belief but as active participation in the work of restoration.



Heal the sick, raise the dead,
cleanse those who have leprosy,
drive out demons. Freely you
have received; freely give.
Matthew 10:8

Church News

The June issue of Church News is out now, online at www.stlukesekibin.org.au/church-news.

Printed copies will be available in church next weekend.



Coming up at St Francis College...

Liturgical Climate Change: APBA 30 Years On

Wednesday 24 June | 5:30pm refreshments, 6:00pm to 7:00pm lecture

Marking 30 years since *A Prayer Book for Australia*, this lecture reflects on its role in today's worship life and how liturgical practice has evolved since 1995. Available in person and online. More Information: <https://stfran.qld.edu.au/upcoming-events/2026/6/24/liturgical-climate-change-apba-30-years-on>

Readings for 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 18:1–15, (21:1–7) God's promise arrives at the tent door in the heat of the day; Sarah's laugh of disbelief becomes the laughter of a child named Isaac ('he laughs'). Promise ripens on God's timeline, not ours.

Psalms 116: 1–2, 12–19 is a thanksgiving song from someone pulled back from the brink: the God who hears our cries also receives our vows and simple gratitude.

Romans 5:1–8 In Christ we stand in grace; suffering does not have the last word but is transfigured into endurance, character, and hope through the Spirit's poured-out love.

Matthew 9:35–10:8, (9–23) Jesus sees exhausted crowds and sends ordinary disciples to enact mercy; the mission is generous (heal, raise, free) and costly (expect resistance), but God's compassion remains the centre.

First reading (7am only)

A reading from the book of Genesis

¹The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they

ate.

⁹They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.'

¹⁰Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. ¹¹Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. ¹²So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?' ¹³The Lord said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, "Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?" ¹⁴Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.' ¹⁵But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.'

Genesis 18:1-15

Psalms 116:1-2,11-18

¹I love the Lord, because he heard my voice:

the voice of my supplication;

² Because he inclined his ear to me:
in the day that I called to him.

¹¹ How shall I repay the Lord:
for all his benefits to me?

¹² I will take up the cup of salvation:
and call upon the name of the Lord.

¹³ I will pay my vows to the Lord:
in the presence of all his people.

¹⁴ Grievous in the sight of the Lord:
is the death of his faithful ones.

¹⁵ O Lord, I am your servant,
your servant and the child of your
handmaid:
you have unloosed my bonds.

¹⁶ I will offer you a sacrifice of
thanksgiving:
and call upon the name of the Lord.

¹⁷ I will pay my vows to the Lord:
in the presence of all his people,

¹⁸ In the courts of the house of the Lord:
even in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise
the Lord.

Second Reading (7am only)

A reading from the letter to the Romans

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our
Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we
have obtained access to this grace in
which we stand; and we boast in our
hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And
not only that, but we also boast in our
sufferings, knowing that suffering
produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance
produces character, and character
produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not
disappoint us, because God's love has
been poured into our hearts through the

Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right
time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed,
rarely will anyone die for a righteous
person—though perhaps for a good
person someone might actually dare to
die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in
that while we still were sinners Christ
died for us. ⁹ Much more surely then, now
that we have been justified by his blood,
will we be saved through him from the
wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were
enemies, we were reconciled to God
through the death of his Son, much more
surely, having been reconciled, will we be
saved by his life. ¹¹ But more than that,
we even boast in God through our Lord
Jesus Christ, through whom we have now
received reconciliation.

Romans 5:1-11

Gospel reading

A reading from the gospel of Matthew

^{9 35} Then Jesus went about all the cities
and villages, teaching in their synagogues,
and proclaiming the good news of the
kingdom, and curing every disease and
every sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the
crowds, he had compassion for them,
because they were harassed and helpless,
like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he
said to his disciples, 'The harvest is
plentiful, but the labourers are few;
³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to
send out labourers into his harvest.'

^{10 1} Then Jesus summoned his twelve
disciples and gave them authority over
unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to
cure every disease and every sickness.

² These are the names of the twelve

apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere

among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near."

⁸ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

Matthew 9:35-10:8

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Word for the Day

Promise surprises at the tent; gratitude answers with hope; grace holds us steady as suffering matures into hope; Jesus' compassion becomes a people on the move.

This week's readings invite us to notice how God's promise meets us in ordinary moments and sends us outward in compassion. In Genesis 18, God's promise arrives at the tent door in the heat of the day. Hospitality is offered to unexpected visitors, while from inside the tent, Sarah responds with laughter that carries both scepticism and longing. Yet the promise of new life does not depend on human certainty. What seems delayed or impossible becomes the beginning of joy.

The psalm gives voice to gratitude from someone who has known distress and rescue and now chooses to live again in God's presence. Paul echoes this encouragement in Romans: suffering does not extinguish hope, because God's love has already been poured into our hearts. Promise does not remove struggle; it reshapes it.

Moved by compassion, Jesus calls and sends disciples to bring healing, restoration, and good news. What begins with God's promise at Abraham's tent becomes a community sent into the world with acts of mercy.

This week, preach promise as hospitality to God and compassion to our neighbour: make room at the table and room in the day.

Ideas for Reflection

- ✦ Where have you stopped setting a place for promise?
- ✦ What simple gratitude can you offer God today?
- ✦ Where might hope feel delayed in your life, and what might it mean to trust God's promise there?
- ✦ Who might be waiting for a word, gesture, or act of compassion this week?
- ✦ What small act of mercy might carry God's love into an ordinary moment this week?



Want to clear out some of your old jigsaws?

Want to find a new/pre-loved jigsaw to try?

Parish fundraiser:

JIGSAW JAMBOREE

**Sunday 21st June,
after both services**

Please bring any jigsaw donations (no missing pieces please!) to church before 21st June.

Any questions, please contact June Nicholson
via the parish phone number (3848 2123)
or email admin@stlukesebibin.org.au



St Luke's Theatre Society
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For our Prayers

Prayer for the day

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life, and defeat into victory: increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over evil, in the strength of the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

The World

Continue to pray for those affected by the Ebola virus in Africa and diphtheria in Australia.

The Anglican Communion

The Church of the Province of South East Asia

Ministry with the Torres Strait Island People of Australia – Rose Elu

The Parish of Manly: Dianne Black, Judith Phillipps

Epic Employment Service Incorporated – Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, North Brisbane, Fraser Coast, Capricornia: Dean Graham – CEO & Br Donald Campbell SSF – Chair

St Margaret's Anglican Girls School, Ascot: Principal – Roslyn Curtis; Chaplain – Jasmine Dow; Chair of School Council – Lisa Worner; School Council members; staff & students

Our missionary partners

Parishes in the Western Region (Bush Ministry Fund).

Local Schools and colleges

St Elizabeths Primary, St Agnes Primary, Red Hill Special School

Our parish

Pray for Little Angels as they await their operating license and seek to recruit staff

Those who are sick, frail or emotionally stressed

Ryan, Sharon L, Rev'd Shane, David F, Sharon, Peter G, Lauren, Rita, Don, Margaret, Peter F., Maxine and Robyn McElnea, Glen and Rose, Mon McNeill, Ian Basham, Scott L, Barbara Utting, Tim Vassella

From the Parish Book of Remembrance

14 June: Jessie Ethel Cole, Edna Rose Soden, Brian Gilbert Spry (Deacon), Robert John Rayner, Stephen James Mendham; *17 June:* John Douglas Lose; *18 June:* James Fitzgibbon Hunter, Marjorie May Hankey; *19 June:* Catherine Billie Mackenzie; *20 June:* Isabel Teresa Stoney, Violet May Day.

Inala Careforce

The Moy family will be taking a delivery to Inala Careforce on 15th June (in time for the school holidays).

If you would like to donate to this, they are after toys/games, long-life milk and tins of food (not baked beans). Cash donations are also welcome.

Containers for Change

Donate your '10c refund' bottles and cans to St Luke's. Either bring them to church or take them direct to TOMRA (9/655 Toohey Road, Salisbury) and use the parish code: C10686424

Also part of St Luke's:

**Little Angels
Tarragindi**



Anglican Childcare
opening soon:

littleangels.qld.edu.au

St Luke's Theatre Society:
stlukestheatre.asn.au

Safety corner

You will have noticed that signage at our campus entrance has finally been installed so it is timely to remind everyone that for safety you should always turn left when entering or leaving. That is enter from travelling north along Ekibin Road East and leave turning north towards the traffic lights.



Services This Week:

Tuesday-Friday

6pm: Evening Prayer on Zoom

Sunday 21st June: 4th **Sunday after Pentecost**

7am: Holy Communion at St Luke's

9am: Family Communion with
Children's Church

*Readings: Genesis 21:8-21, Psalm 86:1-10,16-17,
Romans 6:1-11, Matthew 10:24-39*

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