

Easter Blessings

As we soon approach Easter, we come again to the most essential Christian festival, a time when we tell the story of Jesus' passion (his journey to the cross, crucifixion and death), and share the good news of Jesus' resurrection.

As we look out into our culture we can see signs of Easter, in hot cross buns and Easter eggs, but we may lament that for many of our society, these items have lost all significance apart from being fun things to consume during Easter.

We have the blessing as Christians to share in the deeper significance of those things that point to the Easter story, the cross being such a powerful symbol of death conquered and sin defeated, the eggs reminding us of the new life that we find in the resurrection. So, while of course we can also have some fun with things like an Easter egg hunt, we do this in the context of the deep and profound meaning of Easter, and the mystery of faith that we are all invited to.

Within this mystery I believe that we have the most powerful and life-changing story to tell, the story of a man born in humble circumstances, who blessed many people, and who lifted up the poor, the oppressed and the forgotten; the story of a man who was wrongly and horribly accused of crimes, when he had committed no crime; the story that seems to end as all our human stories do, in death; the story that through this man, God overcame death and continued the story in a glorious new chapter, inviting all of humanity into that story and the new life we find in Jesus Christ; the story that despite the odds and the humble origins of Jesus and his disciples, spread, survived and has been re-told countless times.

So, as we approach Easter, I invite you to hear this story afresh, through your own devotions and through the services that Lifeworks will hold.

On Maundy Thursday we will have Holy Communion as we think on the Last Supper at our 11am service; at 7pm we will have a 'Tenebrae' service, in near-darkness as we quietly meditate on Jesus' words on the cross. On Good Friday we will have a Stations of the Cross service as we hear the full story of Jesus' passion, with prayer and participation which is relevant to our context as Australians. On Easter Sunday, we will joyfully celebrate the good news of this story, and Jesus' resurrection. While I appreciate that Easter can be a busy time, do you not hear God calling to 'come and see', to be part of the whole story, to journey with Jesus through darkness into glorious night?

Lastly, as we think about our own participation, let us also think about who we can invite to be part of this story. The message of Easter is a profound one, and I have no doubt that many are searching for meaning and depth, and I have no doubt that the Easter story offers that. Who is on our heart and mind, who needs to hear the good news of Jesus? I pray that we will all have the courage to make those invitations that we perhaps haven't made in recent years.

In all these things, I pray that you are blessed, and that you emerge from Easter with deeper faith and love, and deeper knowledge of God's love for you. As we ponder the importance of our Easter story, I leave you with the words of the Apostle Paul from 1st Corinthians 15:3-8

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me.

Grace and Peace, Rev Adam Tipple

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land - the Jarowair and Giabal people.

April 2025 Services

Sunday 6th April 9am (Holy Communion)
Worship Leader: Ps Peter Cole
Preacher: Mardi Lumsden (Uniting World)

Sunday 13th April 9am
Worship Leader: Va Palfi
Preacher: Steve Cramb

Maundy Thursday 17th April
11am (Holy Communion)
7pm Tenebrae Service

Good Friday 18th April
8.30am Stations of the Cross

Easter Sunday 20th April 9am
Worship Leader: David Hogg
Preacher: Rev Adam Tipple

Sunday 27th April
Worship Leader: Marg Thorpe
Preacher: Rev Adam Tipple

Livestreams - please see [Facebook](#) for the latest link.

Giving Details

If you would like to give to Lifeworks, you can use the following methods:

Electronic direct deposit
Bank: Westpac Bank
Name: Lifeworks Uniting Church
BSB: 034 242
Account Number: 359 011

Write a cheque to
Lifeworks Uniting Church, and post in the
mail to: PO Box 18093, Clifford Gardens,
Qld, 4350

Cash can be left in the offering bag on
Sunday mornings.

We also now have Zeller to take card payments.

We thank-you for your generosity!

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Prayer Points

- For the Community BBQ on 6th April.
- For Rev Lynne Hindman who is recovering after surgery for a broken leg.
- For Annette Curnow who is recovering after oral surgery.
- For our Easter services, that we would tell the story of Jesus well, and glorify God.
- Give thanks for the World Day of Prayer service.
- For rural and remote communities that are struggling after devastating floods, and for the work of Frontier services and Ps Jennie Feldmeier, Bush Chaplain.



News and Announcements

Glenvale Community BBQ

We are excited for the second BBQ this Sunday 6th April. If you are helping on the day, or would like to help, there will be prayer and a briefing on Sunday 6th at 2.30pm at Lifeworks.

Mainly Music Bibles for Families

Thanks to all those, including our Keenagers group who made a donation for Bibles for each of the mainly music families. These will be given out as part of mm on Weds 30th April. Please pray for this day and the families.

Rev Adam Tipple - Long Service Leave May and June

In the Uniting Church, Ministers are entitled to an extra 2 months long service leave for every 10 years of full-time service. Adam has had this leave approved by the Presbytery and will be on long service leave and released from all Lifeworks and other UCA duties and commitments for the months of May and June 2025.

If you could please pray for Adam, Jane, Jackson, Joel and Rose, that this time of rest and travel would be a blessing to them.

Steve Cramb - Supply Ministry May and June

We are delighted to share that Steve Cramb will be doing two months of supply ministry at Lifeworks from 1st May to 30th June. Steve is a member of Lifeworks who many of you already know and he is actively exploring what ministry is like in a Uniting Church context. Steve brings experience to this role with some past training in Theology, SU Beach Mission leadership, (youth leadership), music, preaching, and small group leadership.

As well as Steve, Rev Tanya Richards will of course be at Lifeworks in her role of community chaplain. Between Tanya and Steve, we believe that Lifeworks will be well looked-after for the months Rev Adam is away.



If you can please pray for Steve, and for his family, Anni, Hannah, Josh and Hydra, as Steve commences in ministry for this time of supply.

We ask for God's blessing on Steve, and for strength, love and wisdom as he does ministry at Lifeworks. Amen

Holiday Break - Wednesday Online Prayer and LifeKids

The above ministries are on a break through the school holidays, with Lifekids returning on 27th April.

Tithes and Offerings Using the Zeller Machine

For your convenience, the church now has a Zeller machine which can take card and phone wallet payments. If you would like to use Zeller for the offering this can either be done before or after the service. The Zeller terminal will be located at the sound-desk.

Name Badges

During the month of May we are taking orders for Lifeworks name badges. The cost of these is \$14.50 each. Please speak with David Prestridge if you would like one, letting him know if you prefer a pin or magnet. David's number is 0407 762 792, and his email is admin@lifeworksuniting.org.au.

GLENVALE COMMUNITY BBQ

**FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE
EASTER EGG HUNT**

**Sunday 6th April
from 4pm to 6pm at
Lifeworks Uniting Church**

COFFEE, HOT AND COLD DRINKS ALSO AVAILABLE

FACEPAINTING, KIDS' GAMES, PUPPET SHOW

FOR ALL WHO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY IN GLENVALE
ALL WELCOME



615 Boundary St., Glenvale

EASTER 2025 AT LIFEWORKS UNITING CHURCH



**Maundy
Thursday
17th April
11am Holy
Communion
&
7pm Tenebrae
Service**

**Good Friday
18th April
8.30am
Stations of
the Cross**

**Easter Sunday
20th April
9am
Celebration
Service**



All welcome
615 Boundary St, Glenvale

Lifecycle

**2pm Sunday
13th April**
Cnr Velodrome Dr
& Kearney St

Bring a bike and a
helmet.
All ages welcome.

For info call
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18+ LADIES, JOIN US FOR A
LIFEWORKS BUNYA
MOUNTAINS RETREAT

July 18-20, 2025

**Weekend get-away to enjoy some stress free fun,
fellowship & food.**

Numbers are limited, so don't miss out! RSVP - 1.7.25

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GAMES, GRUB
& GOD

SUNDAY 27TH APRIL
4.00PM TO 6.15PM
AT LIFEWORKS UNITING CHURCH

BOARD GAMES
SKILL GAMES
CARD GAMES
ALL WELCOME

LIFEWORKS UNITING CHURCH

April 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tues-day	Wednes-day	Thursday	Friday	Satur-day
6 8.30am Prayer in the meeting room 9am Worship Holy Communion 4pm Glenvale Community BBQ	7	8	9	10	11	12 9am Lifeworks Craft Group
13 8.30am Prayer in the meeting room 9am Worship 2pm Lifecycle Cnr Velodrome Rd and Kearney St	14	15	16	17 MAUNDY THURSDAY 11am Service (Holy Communion) Midday Keenagers Lunch 7pm Tenebrae Service	18 GOOD FRIDAY 8.30am Good Friday Stations of the Cross Service	19
20 EASTER SUNDAY 8.30am Prayer in the meeting room 9am Worship	21	22	23 9.30am mainly music	24	25 ANZAC DAY	26
27 8.30am Prayer in the meeting room 9am Worship Lifekids 4pm Games, Grub and God	28	29 6.30pm Admin Meeting 7pm Church Council	30 9.30am mainly music			

