

Jesus Christ and Him crucified



Paul writes to the church at Corinth “When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified”

I will be completely honest with you: when I was a young Christian I found this verse hard to understand, and I didn't like it much. It seemed to me that the resurrection was the greatest thing that had happened in human history, so surely that's where the focus should be.

And what about Jesus' three years of life & teachings as mapped out in the gospels – surely the church was ignoring these far too much?

However, in recent years the incredible significance of what Jesus did on the cross has begun to make more & more sense to me, & I hope to unfold some of that significance this morning. We are now into the third week of Lent – the third week of our journey towards the cross. Like Jesus, let us not be side-tracked but set our eyes determinedly forward on this pilgrimage (Luke 9:51)

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NEXT week's team

Service Leader	Nancy
Preacher	Kristin
Worship	Marie
Prayers for Others	Phil Hill
Bible Reading	James L
Door & Offering	Lokmans
Morning Tea	Andrew & Jane D Esther D
Sound	Ged F
Data	Sandi J
Duty Elder	Pauline
Prayer Min	Nigel J
Welcome	Crossleys
Offering	Debbie G
Set up	Phil Scadden
Playground	Pettigrew, Lokman, Ross

LEITH VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday 4th March 2018

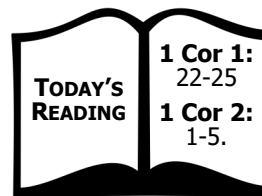


Welcome! It's great to have you with us this morning.
An especially warm welcome if you are a student, either new to Dunedin or returning to study. If you are visiting today please help yourself to a WELCOME PACK from the back table. We'd love you to leave us a contact form so we can get back in touch. Hand this to Kristin or Nancy (our pastors) or Bronwyn Miller (manager).



SERVICE LEADER
HANNAH T-H
PREACHER
KRISTIN JACK
WORSHIP
RICHARD B/HANNAH T-H

DUTY ELDER:
NANCY PARKER



Today's Team

Welcome Team:	Paul T	Set up Team:	Miller family
Door Greeting:	Niblock family	Offering Counter:	Trudie C
Prayers for Others:	Alan P	Morning tea:	Fran D, Liz D, Carolyn H
Bible Readings:	Catriona S	Playground	
Sound:	Liam H	Supervision:	Hill, Niblock
Data:	Rachel E	Lock-up:	Ged F
Prayer Ministry	Kristin J		

Seeking God's Kingdom Growing Great Community

Opportunities



10 week small group course

Struggling with hearing God's voice? or trusting that you are hearing correctly? Come to a 10 week small group course - Venue: Helen & Wayne Harray's house, 30 Mechanic St, starts *Thurs 8 March, 7.30-9.30pm*. Cost \$30 NZD + \$10 USD for course book. See noticeboard for details.

A Quaker's Perspective on the Flint Water Crisis

9th March at the Quaker Meeting House - all welcome. See notice board for details.

Contemporary Apologetics workshop

Saturday 10 March, 9.30am-4pm, run by Mark Powell, lecturer in Christian Apologetics, former CEO of The Warehouse Group at Caversham Baptist Church, \$20 (includes lunch, morning and afternoon tea). Register by Thursday 8 March, email: admin@cavy.net.nz or Ph 027 504 8743. See notice board for more details.

Training - Evangelism Explosion NZ

Where: Mornington Presbyterian Church. *Saturdays: 17th & 24th March, 9am to 5pm and Sunday 25th March, 1pm to 5pm*. Cost: \$100 per person

Faith Thinking 2018

Dept of Theology, University of Otago. First event *Friday 16 – Saturday 17th March*: Going Deeper with Mark, Professor Paul Trebilco. Check flyer on the notice board for further details.

Theology Open Lectures

Professor John Barclay, Lightfoot Professor of Divinity, Department of Theology and Religion, Durham University

“Early Christianity and the Survival of the Poor” *Tuesday 20 March, 5.15-6.30pm*, Archway 4 Lecture Theatre, University of Otago

Note also: Research Seminar by Professor Barclay: “Reciprocity and Risk at the Economic Margins: Some Early Christian Examples” *Friday 16 March, 3.00-4.15pm*. Venue TBC

Christians Against Poverty: Church Leader Event

Wednesday 21 March 11 am - 1pm at the Edgar Centre, Portsmouth Drive Dunedin - book a place, respond to their website: <http://www.capnz.org/rsvplunch>

Leith Notices

Missions Prayer meeting

Tonight at 5pm, in the Church lounge, 267 Malvern Street. See Alan Paterson for more information.

Taonga:

Tuesday, 6th March at 2pm, in the Church in Malvern St. Olivia Dawson our new Youth Pastor will share with us about herself and her vision for our young people. It will be so good to be together again after the long summer break. We'll enjoy a yummy afternoon tea also. *Nancy*

Worship / Technicians Meeting:

All Leith musicians, data projectionists and sound technicians are invited to meet at *1.30pm on 10 March* at Leith Valley Church, 267 Malvern St



Rock Solid Youth Development Programmes are about to begin for 2018, and we are looking for volunteer **youth leaders** to work alongside our 100 or so South Dunedin young people each week (mostly through the evening clubs). There are opportunities to work with primary school age kids, Intermediate age kids, junior secondary school age kids, and High School age kids. Training & transport is provided. If you are interested **contact Kristin** (022 075 3286)

There are also opportunities to support:

- ♦ Presbyterian Women of Aotearoa NZ special collection *March 11*
- ♦ Christian World Service
- ♦ Bible League's Bibles in NZ prisons

Full details on the notice board

- ♦ NZ Bible Society's sharing the Easter Story with Kiwi Kids:

“The Super Cool Story of Jesus” is a creative little child-friendly booklet, which tells the story of Jesus' life. in playful rhyming language. This Easter the Bible Society wants to give away 10,000 copies of this book to children and families throughout NZ. You can help by making a donation.

Full details and donation letters on table at the back.

