What A Difference!



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This Sunday makes a difference! This Sunday changes everything, for all time, in every conceivable way... Jesus is alive! Death is not the end. Suffering is a temporary context. Grief is a passing season.

Yes it may not feel like it and it may not look like it from this side of heaven but we all know that even in this life so much that leads to life looks nothing like it did before that life begins. A seed looks nothing like the plant. Clouds look nothing like the rivers. A baby looks nothing like the adult and a mountain looks nothing like the beach it will become. Life changes things here. Imagine how different things will be in heaven.

And God is faithful. What He has begun in Christ He will bring to completion in us. God in Christ was faithful in perhaps the most extreme situation He could be exposed to and that faithfulness was reflected in the resurrection and ascension. Now we await the same miracle in our lives and not just in death. God brings us to life here and now.

This is perhaps the very best thing about Easter Sunday – it changes things here and now. Not everything – but everything that is given over to God is brought into a resurrection life which, like His resurrection life, is completely different from the one He lived before.

Let's never forget what a difference a day makes - this day - today!

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen Indeed!

Richard

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NEXT WEEK'S TEAM

Service Leader

Preacher Brett K Worship Hannah

Prayers for Others TBC.

Bible Reading Janine K Door & Offering Chrissie C & Fran D

Morning Tea Scaddens,

Jan S

Kristin

Sound Barry C Data Bronwyn B

Duty Elder Kristin

Prayer Min Alan & Jenny Welcome Crosslevs Offerina Sandi J

Set up Craig's team Playground Caldwells, Footes,

Thurlow



Leith Valley Church welcomes and includes Children and Youth

LEITH VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday 1st April 2018



Growing Great Community

Seeking God's Kingdom



Welcome! It's great to have you with us this morning. 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 (Parish Manager)

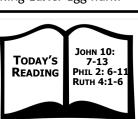
There is no Kidztime or Junior Youth today, however Miranda has crafts and guiet activities for children on the table at the back of the church and after church there will be an exciting Easter Egg hunt!

SERVICE LEADER KRISTIN JACK PREACHER:

RICHARD DAWSON **WORSHIP:** HANNAH T-H

DUTY **ELDER:** NANCY **PARKER**

TODAY'S READING



Welcome Team: Fran Dawson Door Greeting: Liz Dawson Judith Forbes Children's Talk: Rachel Elder Prayers for Others: Bible Readings: Kezia Munro Fiona Cooper

Sound: Data P: Sandi Jull Prayer Ministry Nigel & Kristin

Playground Supervision:

Set up Team:

Morning tea:

Kathryn J, Esther D Dawson, Niblock,

Miller family

Bronwyn M

Lock-up:

Offering Counter: Camilla Cathro

Hill families Bronwyn Miller

Opportunities

South Island Ministry Conference: 'All Aboard!'

15-16th May 2018 at East Taieri Presbyterian Church. Keynote Speakers this year are Chris Clarke and Karen Spoelstra. Chris has just stepped down as CEO of World Vision and Karen works for the Auckland Anglican Diocese responsible for family, youth and social services. Register by 2 May 2018. Early Bird registrations with discount by 21 April.

Brochures with more details available on the back table.

and... Carey Nieuwhof: 'Leading Healthy Churches'

17th May, 9am-5pm at Mornington Presbyterian Church.

This seminar follows the South Island Ministry Conference, which has been shortened by a day to accommodate Carey. Carey is founding pastor of multi-site Connexus Community Church near Toronto and is a popular speaker on church leadership, change, and parenting.

See notice board for further details or speak to Kristin

Easter Camp 2018

Easter Camp is currently on at the Mosgiel A & P Showgrounds. It is a long running institution of the Christian youth from Dunedin and Mosgiel and has been formative in producing many future leaders and committed Christians.

18 of our youth and 2 adult leaders are attending and would welcome your prayers: George, Honor, Emily, Caitlin, Eli, Rebekah, Jess, Hannah, Lewis, Oliver, Sophia, Caitlin, Hudson, Jed, Matt, DJ. Leaders: Olivia Dawson, Philip Trebilco

Re-opening of the Karitane Presbyterian Church

The church was flooded and has been unuseable for 6 months but is having a re-opening service on Sunday 15th April at 10 am. Morning Tea to follow. All welcome.



Teith Notices

Cot urgently needed! If you have a cot to lend or sell cheaply to one of our Foodshare families, please contact Bronwyn Daley - 022 6856077





Missions Prayer Meeting Postponed:

Normally held on the first Sunday of the month, it will now be held *next Sunday 8 April, 5pm* at Leith Valley Church 267 Malvern St. Contact Alan Paterson 027 489 0219

Apple Jelly Making:

Thursday 5th April at 9 am at Leith Valley Church, 267 Malvern St. Owing to the abundance of apples on our tree at the back of the church, Bronwyn is organizing a working bee to make apple jelly and would like to invite anyone interested to join her. Donations of jam jars (with lids) and sugar may be dropped off at the office or brought on the day. Thank you!



Newcomers Lunch:



We will be hosting a lunch for anyone who has started coming to Leith in the last 12 months, and for anyone who'd like to get to know more folk, to be held on *Sunday 15th April from 12noon* – 1.30pm. Lunch provided.



Grief to Joy: Music for Easter

CITY CHOIR DUNEDIN & MAIN STREET SINGERS
SATURDAY 7TH APRIL 7.30PM - KNOX CHURCH
See notice board for further details

Publications available on back table: Christian Broadcasting Association, Samaritans's Purse February Report, SPANZ, Hope Project Booklet.

