

Lugar Brae Ministry Teams and Programs

Minister: Rev. Kwang Min (Kevin) Kim (0414 746 735)

Children and Families Worker: Ryan Buesnel (0406 409 846)

Pianists: Keira Tu, In-Ae Lee

Prayer Group: Bob Vickery (9369 2705)

meets every Sunday at 9:15am in the fellowship area

Music Team: Rehearses at 6:30pm on Thursdays

Bible Study: David Robinson (0410 568 849)

Meets Monday at 6:30pm in the fellowship area

Tuesday Bible Study: Kevin- meets every second Tuesday at 5:30pm in the fellowship area

Bronte Playgroup: Ryan / Kevin

Meets Mondays and Wednesdays from 10-11:30am in the Church hall

Lugar Brae Community Choir: Rehearses at 4:30pm each Wednesday in the Church

Saturday Fellowship Group: Margery Whitehead (9663 1827)
Meets on the first Saturday of the month at 2pm in the fellowship area



Upcoming Events & Announcements

-Friday night youth group is on this week (18th) from 6:30-8:30pm

-Kevin is currently away. Ryan Buesnel will be leading the service today

-Monday night bible study resumes tomorrow evening

-Family Fun Church is on next week (20th) from 9:30am

-Stay connected with us: facebook.com/lugarbraeuca

Lugar Brae Uniting Church

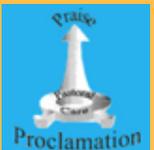


Sunday 13th August, 2017

Our vision is to effectively engage with the community
to proclaim God's love through word and action



www.lugarbrae.unitingchurch.org.au



A very warm welcome to all our visitors! We would love for you to join us for refreshments after the service if you are able

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Service Schedule

This week

(August 13th): 9:30am

Worship Service:

Ryan Buesnel

Sunday School:

David R./Sarah J.

Bible Readers:

David R./Bob V.

Bible Readings:

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28;

Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22,

45b; Romans 10:5-15;

Matthew 14:22-33

Next Week

(August 20th): 9:30am

Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kwang Kim

Family Fun Church:

Ryan Buesnel

Bible Readers:

TBA

Bible Readings:

Genesis 45:1-15, Psalm

133, Romans 11:1-2a;

29-32, Matthew 15: (10-

20), 21-28

BE PREPARED: PSALM 133

Prepare for it: Pray for God's help for this passage to change your heart.
Psalm 133.

Read It: Psalm is one of the 15 "songs of ascent" sung by Jews on their way their ascent to Jerusalem for any of the main annual Jewish festivals. They may also have been sung by priests as they walked up the steps to the temple. Ps 133 is one of 4 songs of ascent attributed to David. Its origin is uncertain but it may come from a time after the division of Israel when the tensions between North and South were still felt. It is considered a wisdom psalm. (www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+133)

What feature of communal life is celebrated in v1?

To what is the unity of God's people compared in v2?

Who was Aaron? Why are images of priesthood and sacred oil relevant to pilgrims coming to Jerusalem (c.f. Ex 19:6)?

What is noteworthy about Mt Hermon and Mt Zion? (v3a)

What blessing awaits the united people of God at Mt Zion?? (v3b)

Think About It:

What rich blessing has God poured out on you?

Are you living in unity with God's people around you?

Get the Message

The psalm opens with a blessing on those who "live together in unity." The Israelites who travelled to Jerusalem for the great religious festivals enjoyed a sense of unity with others on the road, they enjoyed an ecumenical experience on their way toward Jerusalem, joined in the common purpose of worshipping God. This unity is compared to the generous anointing of Aaron with "precious oil". Aaron was Moses' brother and the first high priest of Israel. This image of oil poured generously on Aaron's head so that it runs down his beard and onto his collar relates to his anointing as a priest, and just as Aaron was the high priest to Israel, God had called the whole nation of Israel to be "a kingdom of priests and a holy nation". When Israel lived together in unity then she could be this kingdom of priests, revealing God to all the other nations on the world. The idea of rich blessing continues in verse 3 saying unity in God's people is like the legendary dew of Mt Hermon being poured out on Mt Zion. Mt Hermon is the tallest mountain in Israel and was known for consistent heavy dews which kept the mountainside lush with rich pastures. Mt Zion was the barren high point in the SE corner of Jerusalem on which the Temple was built. The idea is of God pouring refreshing, life-giving water onto Mt Zion where the pilgrims would gather for the great festivals. It was there that the united people of God will know His blessing, even life evermore. Jesus also called for unity among his followers, a unity based on showing Jesus' love for us to fellow believers.