

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

Lugar Brae Community Dance: Keira Tu (0423 584 462)
Meets Saturdays at 6:30pm in the Church hall

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

Upcoming Events & Announcements

-Monday night Bible Study resumes tomorrow at 6:30pm.

-Saturday fellowship meeting will be held on Sat, July 1 at 2pm.

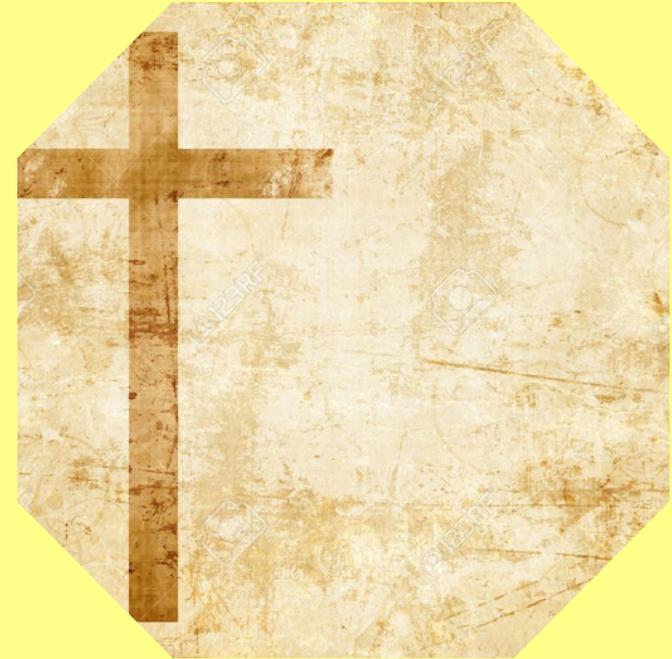
-We are running to activities during the July school holidays. Please see our website for more details.

-'Christmas in July' service will be held on Sunday, July 23 at 9:30am.

-Birthday - **Dave T.** (June 28)

-Stay connected with us: facebook.com/lugarbraeuca

Lugar Brae Uniting Church

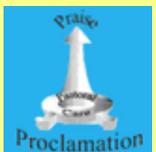


Sunday 25th June, 2017

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

(June 25th): 9:30am

Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kim

Sunday School:

Ryan Buesnel

Bible Readers:

Ryan B. / Ann T.

Bible Readings:

Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm
86:1-10. 16-17; Romans
6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39

Next Week

(July 2nd): 9:30am

Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kim

Sunday School:

Ryan Buesnel

Holy Communion –

Elders: Margaret / David

Bible Readers;

David R. / Elizabeth M.

Bible Readings:

Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13;
Romans 6:12-23; Matthew
10:40-42

BE PREPARED: PSALM 13

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

Psalm 13 is the real-life depiction of a soul that is deep in the anguish of despair and yet holding strongly to the belief that God loves and saves His people. While we do not know the circumstances behind this psalm of individual lament, it is attributed to David. The ascription "to the director of music" suggests it was used in public worship.

Read It: Psalm 13(www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+13)

What is the overriding emotion expressed in vv1,2?

What is the psalmists key concern in verses 1,2?

How does David respond to his despair? (v3a)

What is the alternative to receiving God's favour? (vv3b,4)

How does David find hope in his despair? (vv5,6) What does he resolve to do to give voice to this hope?

Think About It:

Have you ever felt as though God has abandoned you? Why?
How can you copy David's decision to rejoice in God's salvation?

Get the Message

Psalm 13 starts with a statement of persistent personal despair. The phrase "how long" is repeated 4 times in v 1,2, giving the sense of an enduring state of worry as David wrestles with his thoughts and has sorry in his hearts. The circumstances of this anxiety is not revealed; in v2 David asks "How long will my enemy triumph over me?", but it is not clear who this enemy is: is it a person, an illness, evil, or something else? Who or whatever the enemy is, David's real concern is his sense of God's absence ("How long will you hide your face from me?"), his response to this sense of abandonment is not to turn away, but to seek God more urgently. He calls on God to "look", "answer" and "give light". The idea of a person in power "looking" or "turning their face towards" a person is the idea of showing favour to that person. David is asking God to restore the lost relationship they had, to answer his prayers and to "give light to my eyes". The idea here is David is asking God to give him life. For David the alternative to restoring his relationship with God is that "I will sleep in death" and his enemies will have triumphed. Again, to sleep in death may refer to physical death or to the fact that since God is the giver of true life, separation from Him is equivalent to death. The psalm ends on a note of hope as David recalls God's mercy and faithfulness and he declares "I trust in your unfailing love", and so his "heart rejoices in your salvation" and he resolves to sing God's praises. In times of trouble we do well to remember the many evidences of God's unfailing love and to turn from despair to rejoicing, knowing that even if we feel God has abandoned us, the reality is He will never abandon us. (Is 49:15)