

## 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:** Kevin

Meets 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

-Our Christmas Carol service takes place on Tuesday 12th December at 7pm

-Monday Bible Study is on tomorrow evening

-The next Family Fun Church will be on Sunday 17th December at 9:30am

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# Lugar Brae Uniting Church

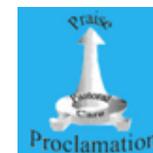


## Sunday 3rd December 2017

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



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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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### Bible Facts!

The Bible was written in 3 languages: Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek

## Service Schedule

### This week

(December 3rd): 9:30am

#### Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kim

#### Holy Communion:

David R. / Bob V.

#### Sunday School:

David R.

#### Bible Readers:

Barbara N./ Elizabeth M.

#### Bible Readings:

Isaiah 64:1-9, Psalm 80:1-7;  
17-19, 1 Corinthians 1:3-9,  
Mark 13:24-37

### Next Week

(December 10th): 9:30am

#### Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kim

#### Sunday School:

Ryan B./David R.

#### Bible Readers:

Cammi W. / William L.

#### Bible Readings:

Isaiah 40:1-11, Psalm 85:1-2;  
8-13, 2 Peter 3:8-15a, Mark  
1:1-8

## BE PREPARED: PSALM 85

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

Psalms 85 is a psalm of national lament. The cause of this lament is unknown, but psalm calls for God to restore His people again, as He has in the past. The ascription "to the director of music" indicates the psalm was sung in public worship, perhaps as an anthem because the ascription "of the Sons of Korah" refers to the sons of the rebel Korah who were saved from their father's fate for work in the Tabernacle.

**Read It:** Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13([www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+85](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+85))

How has Israel found favour with God in the past? (vv1,2)

What will the psalmist do having asked for God's salvation? (v8)

What truth guides the psalmist's thinking about restoration? (v9)

How is the promised time of blessing described in vv10,11?

Who can bring restoration? (v12) What precedes this event? (v13)

#### Think About It:

Why is this psalm appropriate for advent?

How can we be counted among "God's faithful servants"?

#### Get the Message:

We are not told what specific trouble afflicts the nation when this psalm was written but it is certainly a response to national troubles. The opening verses recall how, in the past, it has always been God's initiative to forgive His people and restore their fortunes: "You, Lord, showed favour to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob". In vv4-7 the psalmist calls on God to again provide His forgiveness and salvation then, having asked for restoration the psalmist indicates confidence that God will answer as they say "I will listen to what God the Lord says". The psalmist waits in confidence knowing that God "promises peace to his people, his faithful servants", and notes that God's faithful servants are those who do not turn to "folly" (i.e. those who turn away from God's rule). This knowledge leads the psalmist to state "Surely his salvation is near those who fear him". As the psalmist looks forward in hope, the future of restored relationship with God is described as the peaceful coexistence of four important attributes of God: "Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other". Faithfulness, perhaps in the form of reliable seasons, "springs forth from the earth" while righteousness, perhaps expressed in God's law, "looks down from heaven". The psalm ends with an expression of confidence that it is God alone who gives "what is good" and this will include good for our physical needs ("our land will yield its harvest") and our spiritual needs ("Righteousness goes before him"). The season of Advent celebrates God's definitive action to redeem and restore His people; with the birth of Jesus Christ God gave us a way, through faith in Jesus to be considered His faithful servants.