

## 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 Wednesday 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

-'Mother's Day service' will be held on Sunday, 13th May.

-Tuesday Bible study will meet on Tuesday (8th) at 5:30 pm.

-Moderator of the Synod of NSW and ACT Rev. Simon Hansford will be hosting a series of forums throughout May to address questions about the matter (see flyer). Standing Committee Report on Marriage and Same-Gender Relationships are available:

<https://uniting.church/b23-standing-committee-report-on-marriage-and-same-gender-relationships/>

**-Birthday** - Esme (May 8)

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# Lugar Brae Uniting Church

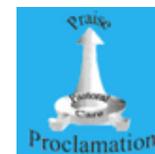


## Sunday 6th May 2018

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



[www.lugarbrae.unitingchurch.org.au](http://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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### Bible Facts!

The longest word in the Bible is 'Mahershalalhashbaz' (Isaiah 8:3)

## Service Schedule

### This week

(May 6th): 9:30am

#### Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kim

#### Sunday School:

Ryan Buesnel

#### Bible Readers:

Barbara N. / Brooke J.

#### Bible Readings:

Acts 10:44-48, Psalm 98, 1 John 5:1-6, John 15:9-17

### Next Week

(May 13th): 9:30am

#### Mother's Day Service

#### Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kim

#### Sunday School:

Ryan Buesnel

#### Bible Readers:

Brian F. / Anne

#### Bible Readings:

Acts 1:15-17; 21-26, Psalm 1, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19

## BE PREPARED: PSALM

**Prepare for it:** Pray for God's help for this passage to change your heart. Psalm 1 is a wisdom psalm that provides a suitable opening for the book of Psalms. The psalm contrasts the joy of the godly person with the fate of the ungodly: the godly delight in God's law and find security and wholeness while the ungodly find only emptiness and insecurity.

**Read It:** Psalm 98([www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+1](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+1))

What does it mean to be blessed? (v1)

How are the blessed described in vv1,2? What characterises these people?

Why are these people like a tree planted by the water? (v3)

What kind of people are likened to chaff? (v4) What is their ultimate fate? (v5)

How can the psalmist be sure of God's just judgement? (v6)

#### Think About It:

Are you like a tree planted near water, or like chaff?

How can we find the joy of righteousness?

#### Get the Message:

The Hebrew word 'ešer, (אֲשֶׁר) is translated as "blessed" or sometimes "happiness". As v3 makes clear the sense of the word means more than just feeling happy, it has the sense of having all one's needs completely satisfied. Such satisfaction comes only as a free gift from God, we cannot create it ourselves. The psalmist tells us the those who have this deep satisfaction are those who shun the way that "sinners" the "mockers" take but rather who delight in and meditate on God's teaching. (Here "sinners" and "mockers" are those who have no regard for God or God's commandments.) V3 gives us the idea of complete satisfaction as it describes those who delight in God's law as being like a tree that has a guaranteed supply of water – such a tree will enjoy life and reliably deliver the fruit that it should. So to the godly person – they will enjoy God's blessing and live the life God has intended for them, producing the fruits of righteousness. By contrast, the wicked are like the worthless remains of the threshing process: husks of grain that are insubstantial and blown away in the wind. This failure of the ungodly may not be evident in this life but, in v5, the psalmist directs the readers attention to the coming judgement, the final reckoning before God when all people will be held to account for their lives. The ungodly will not stand at the time of judgement or in the assembly of the righteous (those to enjoy a right relationship with God). The certainty of this outcome is found in the knowledge that God watches over the ways of all people and knows our hearts. It may seem that only the hard work of trying to perfectly keep God's law to deliver this satisfaction, but in Romans 3:22 Paul tells us "This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe."