

## 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

-Wednesday Bible study is on this week at 6:30pm

-Family Fun Church is on next Sunday 15th

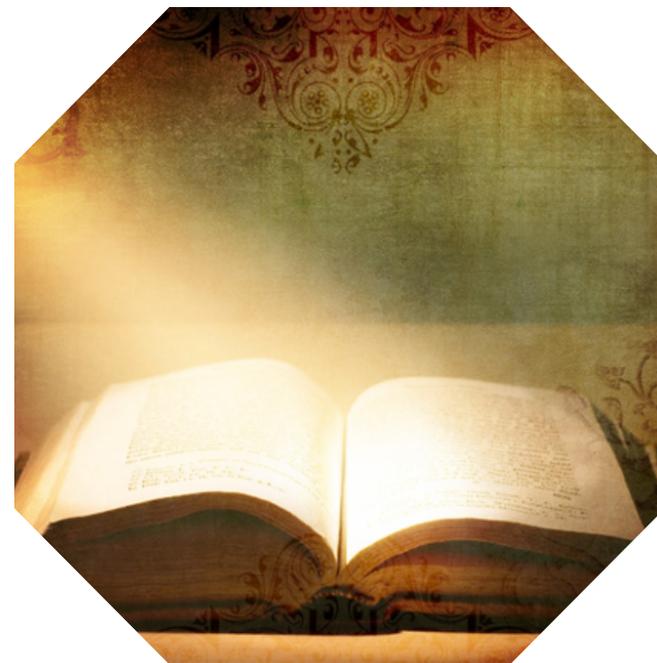
-April Church council meeting will be held on next Sunday, 15th.

-We would like to invite you to 'Picnic in the Park' on Sunday, 29th April at 'One more shot pond' in Centennial Park.

-Birthday - Grant B. (April 14)

-Stay connected with us: [facebook.com/lugarbraeuca](https://facebook.com/lugarbraeuca)

# Lugar Brae Uniting Church

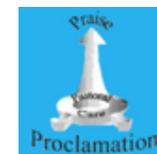


## Sunday 8th April 2018

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!

Jesus had 4 brothers and 2 unnamed sisters

## Service Schedule

### This week

(April 8th): 9:30am

#### Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kim

#### Sunday School:

David. R./Ryan B

#### Bible Readers:

Cammi W./ Marilyn T.

#### Bible Readings:

Acts 4:32-35, Psalm 133, 1 John

1:1-2:2, John 20:19-31

### Next Week

(April 15th): 9:30am

#### Worship Service:

Rev. Kevin Kim

#### Family Fun Church:

David R./ Ryan B

#### Bible Readers:

Keira T. / Barbara N.

#### Bible Readings:

Acts 3:12-19, Psalm 4, 1 John

3:1`-7, Luke 24:36b-48

## BE PREPARED: PSALM 4

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

Psalm 4 is an psalm of Individual Lament which is attributed to David and meant to be sung in public worship. V8 suggests this is an evening prayer which pairs with the morning prayer of Ps 5. While the psalm speaks of David's "glory" being turned to "shame", possibly because of a period of national hardship (v6) it is not possible to identify the particular circumstances of the psalm

**Read It:** Psalm 4([www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+4](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+4))

What is David's response to distress? (v1) For what does he ask?

What concern does David reveal in v2? What fact does David call on his opponents to recognise in v3?

What else does David call on his opponents to do? (vv4,5)

What hint do vv6,7 give us about the reason for the opposition David is facing?

What does v8 reveal about David's relationship with God?

### Think About It:

What is your response to adversity or hardship in life?

Where do you look for safety and security?

### Get the Message:

The opening to this prayer makes it clear that David is distressed and that his response is to turn to God for relief. A series of four demands ("Answer me... Give me relief... have mercy... hear my prayer") highlight the depth of the his feeling and reveal the confidence David has that God will hear and respond to his call. A clue to this distress is found in v2, where it seems that some, probably influential, people are shaming David by "loving delusions" and "seeking deceptions". V2 in the NIV uses the phrase "seek false gods" which may be a reasonable guess at what the original "seeking deceptions" means. Part of these people's position appears to be to accuse David of being ungodly (and perhaps, therefore, God does to hear him when he calls), because in his response David calls on then to "know" that he is God's anointed king and God does "hears when I call to him". Rather than opposing him and perhaps turning to false gods, David advises his enemies to not sin, but to search their hearts and continue to worship the LORD. Vv6,7 suggest that the basis for these people's opposition is that the country is facing a time of hardship, perhaps crops have failed, and people are attributing this failure to God's displeasure with David. But hardship is not always the result of sin and, as a king should, David prays that God's favour will be made plain in rich harvests of grain and grapes which will keep the people secure and validate David's kingship. Having made his appeal to God David concludes the psalm in peace, confident that God alone can and will provide the safety David needs.