

The Anglican Parish of Emerald

St Luke's Emerald

Sunday 31st May 2020

Sunday 7th June 2020

St Luke's Parish Mission Statement:



'To know Christ and make Him known'

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Welcome to St Luke's Emerald. To everyone who have come to St. Luke's for the first time, to those who call our parish home, and to those who wanted to "come and see".

Parish Contacts: *Pastoral Care:* Rev'd Jen *Prayer Chain:* Dianne McAtee
Safe Ministry: Elvanto: Hall Bookings: & Roster: Colin Hercott

Around the Diocese & Around the Parish:

The Anglican Church of the Diocese of Rockhampton has been closely monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic in Central Queensland. We have been following advice from Central Queensland Hospital and Health Services and have been communicating best practice protocols to our churches based on all government recommendations.

In our local context this means:

Services are now being streamed on <https://stlukesanglican.online.church> & Facebook @EmeraldAnglican.

Past services can be found on our website <http://www.stlukesemerald.org.au/church-on-demand> & YouTube @EmeraldAnglicanChurch

Pewsheets and the new Diocesan newsletter are now available on our website

<http://www.stlukesemerald.org.au/bulletin>.

Kids talks with Colin Buchanan can be found

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmi_udObRDZ0N_S3USRCRsQ?view_as=subscriber

Bible study is now conducted on zoom 7pm Monday nights. Bible study notes are available

<http://www.stlukesemerald.org.au/bible-studies>

Intrigue Youth is now meeting on zoom Friday nights at 6pm

Regular members of our church have been allocated to 'connect groups' and everybody should have had at least one contact by now. If you think you may have been inadvertently missed, please contact Jen.

Other arrangements

If you do not have internet access or cannot access the services please contact Jen know and we can arrange to have a DVD delivered to you.

If you would like the pew sheet and/or the Diocesan newsletter printed please let Jen know and we can arrange to have these delivered to you.

Special services such as Weddings and Funerals will still be able to be conducted under strict hygiene protocols but will be limited in numbers for attendance. We will work with families around providing outdoor services and/or streaming of services as appropriate for those who cannot attend.

Arrangements are still being made for Playtime on-line.

If you find yourself isolated or in need during this time, please contact the church and we will find ways to love and support you.

ANNIVERSARIES: June

Please give Rev Jen any corrections or additions for our Anniversaries Diary.

Birthdays: 2nd June Max Pickard, 3rd Donna Lewis, Jack Swain, 4th Ryan Sauer, 5th Michelle Neville, John Pickard, 6th Aaron Lewis, 7th Harper Mason, 8th Ned Peters, 10th Emily Peters, 11th Vai Tuali, Toni DeVreede, 13th Jeanette Saunders,

Wedding: 13th Peter & Theresa Congreve,

Containers for change: To support the church through the containers for change program eligible containers can be dropped directly at the collection centre or left in the green collection bins in the kitchen or the church office. The church collection number is: C10121548. If you are unsure what containers are eligible please check the website

<https://www.containersforchange.com.au/how-it-works>.

Church Finance: April 2020

Income: \$ 7,464.84 Expenditure: \$ 8,399.94 Shortfall: \$ 935.10

Whilst our services are suspended our bills will continue. Please continue to support the mission and ministry of St Luke's through regular giving either on-line or by deposit at the bank.

Direct Debit/Electronic Transfer: To do so simply use the bank details below:

Acct: St Luke's Anglican Church BSB: 034-181 Acct Number: 810 226

Prayer for a new Bishop:

Eternal God, shepherd and guide,

In your mercy give your Church in this diocese a shepherd after your own heart

who will walk in your ways, and with loving care lead and watch over your people.

Give us we pray a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth, so that your Church may be built up, your kingdom extended, and your name glorified.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please continue to support **St Luke's Mission Fund BSB 034 181 Acct number 103281.**

Activities @ St Luke's

- **Monday night Bible Study Zoom**

(please contact Jen if you would like the log in code for Bible Study)

- **Friday night 6pm Intrigue Youth online**

(please contact Jen if your teenagers would like to be part of this activity)

- **Sunday 9am Church Online** (please log on and join us for Sunday Service)

- **Christianity explored online group** starting soon

Sunday 31st May 9 am Service on line	Acts 2:1-21 Ps 104:26-36 1 Corinthians 12:1-13 John 20:19-23	Sunday 14th June 9 am Service on line	Genesis 18:1-15 Psalms 116:1-2, 11-18 Romans 5:1-11 Matthew 9:35-10:8
Sunday 7th June 9 am Service on line	Exodus 34:1-8 Psalms 8 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20	Sunday 21st June 9 am Service on line	Genesis 21:8-21 Psalms 86:1-10, 16-17 Romans 6:1-11 Matthew 10:24-39

Treasury Project: (memory verses)

May 31st: Romans 8:28 "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose."

June 7th: Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future".

Prayer Points: Please pray for;

Anglican Religious Orders across Australia: Giving thanks for their lives and work for the Kingdom of God; that each order will be a living witness to Jesus Christ, and that through their ministry and mission many will come to know the love and light of Jesus.

The Diocese of Brisbane: Archbishop Phillip Aspinall and the Assistant Bishops and for all who serve and lead in this Diocese. Pray for their effective witness during the COVID-19 lockdown, and for all who will hear the gospel during this time.

Diocese of Central Queensland.

The Diocese: For the Diocesan staff team as they support mission and ministry in our region, for wisdom, courage and strength in decision making, for peace and joy in their work. For the renewal of the Church.

Special Ministry District of Middlemount/Dysart: Please pray for Ven Tom Henderson-Brooks in his role as administrator currently caring for this region. Pray for local members of the body of Christ as they seek to make disciples in His name in this region. .

The persecuted Church in Laos: Where Christianity is branded as a harmful western influence. Pray that new believers stand strong in Christ and hold fast to his promises, and that all Christians will be salt and light in their communities.

The persecuted Church in Vietnam: Where Churches and property are demolished and attacked, where leaders are arrested and imprisoned, and where the ongoing violence and persecution of Christians has forced many to flee to neighbouring countries. Pray that believers will have access to Bibles, that they will hold firm to their faith and that leaders will lead with wisdom, courage and in the light of Gods truth.

The world during the pandemic (COVID-19):

Please pray for leaders, officials and advisors for wisdom, discernment and compassion.

Please pray for healthcare and other front line workers for protection, strength and courage.

Please pray for teachers, students and families as they seek to navigate distance learning.

Please pray for our community, for wisdom, compliance and calm.

Please pray that in God's love, compassion and sovereignty that He will stop this virus. That in His compassion he will heal, comfort and reassure. That in His wisdom, grace and mercy He will lead the way to effective treatment and prevention.

That in His strength He will encourage, carry and nurture all who minister in His name at this time; and that He will ultimately use this virus to His Glory and to draw His people closer to Himself.

Notepad thoughts: Our theme for 2020: Making Disciples.

On our theme of Making Disciples - Is discipling a fancy word for mentoring?

A question I received this week - Is discipling a fancy word for mentoring?

It's a great question!

On the surface Discipling and Mentoring look very similar; after all mentoring is basically a general term used when someone asks another person to advise them in a certain set of skills or a life area, and discipling shares this aspect to some degree. Both have the goal of helping someone else to learn and grow (usually one-on-one) and both are relational in nature. However, this is about where the similarities stop.

In mentoring the saying goes "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach him how to fish and you feed him for a lifetime." The object is to help the mentee grow in the area of *their* choosing, to *their* agenda and for *their* benefit. But when Jesus taught about fishing he said, "Come follow me and I will make you fishers of men (Matthew 4:19). Jesus didn't come to help his disciples to do what they were already doing better, he came to change the very purpose of their lives. Essentially the message of Jesus is "*follow me*" or "*become like me*", in other words to trade our purpose for *His* purpose, to exchange the temporal for the eternal. Disciplemaking then, rather than being at the request of the mentee for their own benefit, is rather, a matter of obedience as we respond to Christ's command to "Go and make disciples" (Matthew 28:19); in other words to lead and guide someone in becoming a strong, fruitful disciple to the glory of God, and the expansion of His kingdom.

By nature discipling is an intentional investment in the growth and maturity of another in Christ; the role is to actively equip a person with the necessary spiritual discipline and resources that will allow them accomplish the mission that God calls them to; to enable them to become a strong, fruitful disciple in their own right (2 Timothy 2:2); to present them fully mature in Christ (Colossians 1:28).

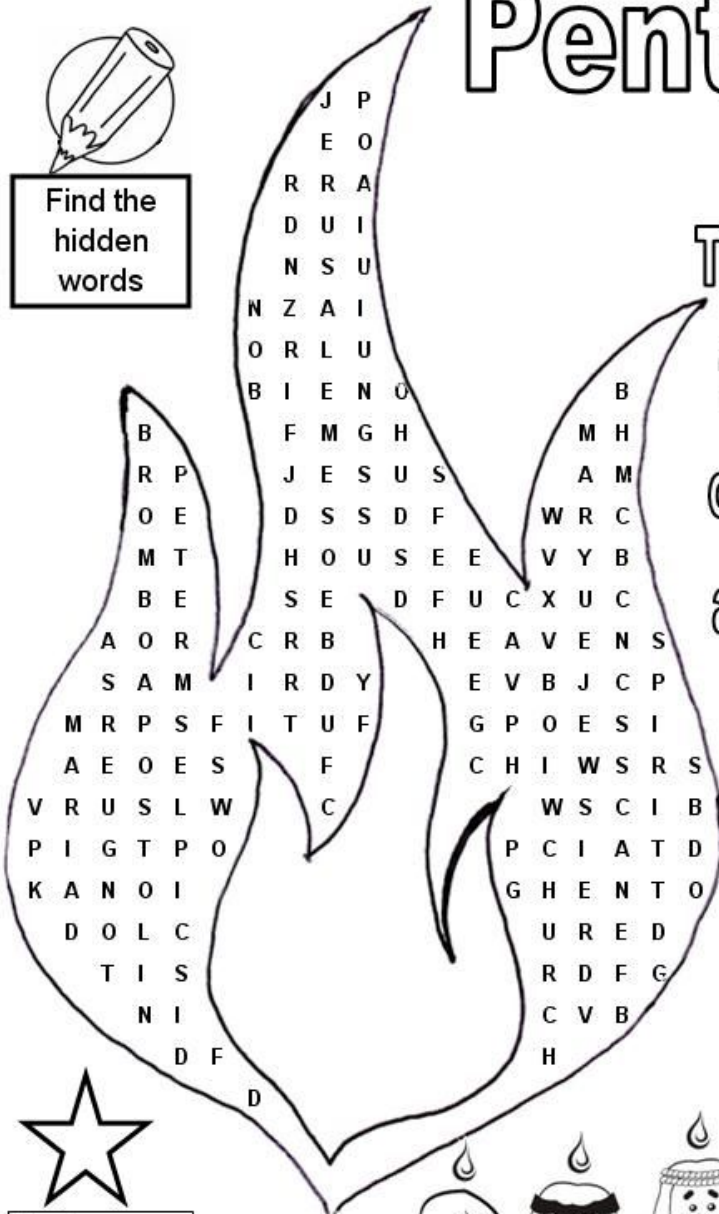
Disciplemaking is the model given to us by Jesus himself to bring about His purposes in the world. It is a powerful, purposeful and intentional labour of love, leading, teaching, correcting, and praying for those who God will give us to disciple. As we faithfully water, He brings about transformational growth.

Grace & Peace, Jen

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Find the hidden words



Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.

Acts 2:3

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- Jerusalem
- Peter
- Jesus
- Wine
- Disciples
- Mary
- Church



HOW TO ACCESS ZOOM



BY KELLY SKILTON

▶▶ START HERE

Welcome to Zoom. To get to your meeting, there are two options:

1

1. Click the ZOOM link that might have been sent to you; or,
2. Go to your internet browser and type in: zoom.us/join
A display window will appear. Here you can enter the Meeting ID number. Then click 'JOIN'.

Await your HOST to begin your gathering

If this is your first time using Zoom, follow along to POINT 2. If you have been on Zoom before, you may SKIP TO POINT 4.

2

When you are joining Zoom for the first time, you will need to download a file. This process is slightly different depending on what device or program you are using.



COMPUTER • When you download this file off the internet, make sure you save the file (this can be anywhere, but a good place to keep it is the Applications Folder). These steps should be written on the screen as you wait for the download to complete. Once downloaded, saved and opened you can move on to POINT 3.



SMARTPHONE • You can get Zoom from either the App Store or the Google Play store. To set up, there are simple prompts to follow.

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You will be asked how you would like to join your Audio (sound). The best option is to click 'join audio via computer'. (You can select the 'automatically join via this method' for next time.)

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If you are having trouble with hearing or seeing, make sure your volume and camera are switch 'ON'. You may also want to check whether you have muted your camera or microphone in point 5.3

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Once in Zoom, there are some extra buttons that we can use to help us all have a respectful time together (particularly as we cannot see body gestures when we are behind our screens):

5.1 • RAISING OUR HAND



These buttons will allow our host to know when there is someone who would like to speak next in line.

Raise Hand

Lower Hand

5.2 • CHAT MESSENGER

You can type to one another. Click this button, and then select either EVERYONE or THE NAME of who you want to type to.



5.3 • SOUND & CAMERA

These buttons, when a red strike is through them, mean you are turned off to others.

