



**PAYNEHAM ROAD  
UNITING CHURCH  
19 April 2020  
EASTER 2**



Readings for today—Psalm 16

As we saw in Wednesday's reading, in his speech on the day of Pentecost the apostle Peter quoted this psalm in support of his claim that God had raised Jesus from the dead in accordance with Scripture. This is why we read the psalm today on the second Sunday in the season of Easter. Of course, the psalm



can stand on its own and has been used as such down the centuries as a song of confidence by those who put their trust in God. For most of us who live in a country like Australia there are many reasons to be grateful. We have been fortunate indeed in the hand we've been dealt (the "boundary lines" in verse 6 refer to the allotment of land). More than material possessions and health, the greatest blessing is that the LORD is our portion (v.5). Despite this, we can easily fall prey to doubt and anxiety unless we "keep the Lord always before" us (v.8) ("Sheol" and "the Pit" are references to the place of the dead). We noted that there are different ways of interpreting verse 10. Whatever our destiny beyond death, whether we speak of resurrection or immortality or some other depiction of our hope, the psalm expresses confidence that in the meantime the LORD will show us the path of life. In this life we can experience such fullness of joy in the presence of the eternal God that we are persuaded that we will continue to enjoy that presence after we die.

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**BIBLE READINGS for April 26 2020 Easter 3**

**Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

**Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19**

**1 Peter 1:17-23**

**Luke 24:13-35**

**The liturgical colour for Easter is WHITE**

White symbolizes purity, holiness, and virtue, as well as respect and reverence. White is used for all high Holy Days and festival days of the Church Year, especially the seasons of Christmas and Easter, as well as for baptism, marriage, dedications, and in some traditions for the ordination of ministers. In some church traditions it is also used for funerals as a symbol of the resurrection.

## Worship Service via Zoom live

Payneham Road and Prospect Road Uniting Churches

19 April 2020 at 10am (Open at 9:50)

URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82391347287>

ID : 823-9134-7287

PW: PRUC



**If you need help with this please contact Do Young before Sunday.**

### WASHING YOURS HANDS IN THIS TIME OF TRIAL

During this Coronavirus situation the best thing you can do is to wash your hands regularly using plain old soap and water – and you need to do it for 20 seconds to ensure you get a good clean, many have suggested singing ‘Happy Birthday’ twice, but we have better ideas!

**1) One is singing the Doxology twice:**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



**2) Another is saying the Lord's Prayer:**

**Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory  
Now and forever.  
Amen.**

We have changed one word from our usual version of The Lord's Prayer, 'Save us from the time of trial', to 'Save us in the time of trial'. It struck us as being both more appropriate to the way God helps us, and applicable for current events.

If you'd like to cut them out and stick them up in front of your bathroom sink, please do so.

Source from Prospect Road UC

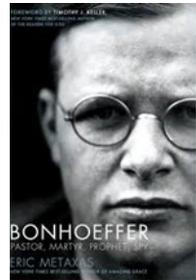
## By Gentle Powers, Bonhoeffer Dietrich (1906-1945) / Siegfried Fietz

Surrounded by such true and gentle powers, so wondrously consoled and without fear. Thus I will spend with You these final hours. And then together enter a new year.

Surrounded by such true and gentle powers, so wondrously consoled and without fear. Thus I will spend with You these final hours. And then together enter a new year.

By gentle powers lovingly surrounded, with patience we'll endure, let come what may. God is with us at night and in the morning. And certainly on every future day.

The worries of the old year still torment us. We're troubled still by long and wicked days. Oh, Lord, give our frightened souls the healing, for which You're chastened us in many ways. By gentle powers lovingly surrounded, with patience we'll endure, let come what may. God is with us at night and in the morning. And certainly on every future day.



### PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH

Please keep in contact with other congregational members. Try to phone, email or use social media with at least 2 people a week if possible. The community directory is being emailed.

Do Young would be happy to video your personal message to put on the church website. He will come to your home and video outside from 2 metres away. Please contact him if you would like to do this. This is a special opportunity to share with the community.

### PASTORAL CARE LIST

The list will be sent around with the newsletter link. If for some reason you cannot find the email, first check your email junk folder and if it is not there, please contact Sharon, Do Young or Heather.

## Wider Church news –

<https://sa.uca.org.au>

You can also subscribe to receive UC. E-News personally.

There is a full list of online and non-digital church resources available on the Synod Website: [sa.uca.org.au/uniting-church-media-releases/free-online-church-resources-from-sa-uniting-church-congregations](https://sa.uca.org.au/uniting-church-media-releases/free-online-church-resources-from-sa-uniting-church-congregations)

Or you can go to the [Payneham Road Uniting Church website](#) and click on the title for the above link. “Being the Church in Un-gathered Times “

# Children's Page

Dear Parents,

Today is the 2nd Sunday in the season of Easter. John 20:19-29.

There is a very interesting book called "Believe It or Not" by Robert Ripley. Mr. Ripley enjoyed collecting strange and amazing bits of information which, although they seem unbelievable, were true. Let me read some examples of some of the amazing things you will find in his book.

A man by the name of James Cook once had a chicken that laid a perfectly square egg. Now, I've seen white eggs, brown eggs, even spotted eggs, but I have never seen a square egg. Have you? I think I'd have to see it to believe it!

Joann Barnes was a 15-year-old from California, and she once swung a lot of hula-hoops on her body at the same time! How many do you think she swung on her body? (Take guesses until kids say 68.) Can you believe that? I can't even keep one hula-hoop going. I think I would have to see that to believe it!



Here's one I'll bet you didn't know. How long do you think the world's largest weenie was? (Take guesses until kids say 3,000 feet.) The world's largest weenie was over 3,000 feet long, weighed 885 pounds, and took 103 butchers to carry it! Now that's a lot of baloney! I would have to see that to believe it!

This book is filled with things that are very hard for me to believe. But do you know what? If it's true, it's true--whether I believe it or not!

In today's Bible lesson we learn that on the Sunday that Jesus rose from the grave, He appeared to a group of His disciples. One of the disciples, whose name was Thomas, was not with them. When the disciples told Thomas that they had seen Jesus and that He was alive, Thomas said, "I won't believe it until I see it with my own eyes. I want to put my finger in the nail-prints in His hands—and place my hand where the spear was thrust into His side.

A week later, Thomas saw Jesus. Jesus invited Thomas to touch His hands where the nails had been. He told Thomas to put his hand in the wound in His side. Then Thomas believed! Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

A lot of people today won't believe that Jesus really rose from the grave because they haven't seen Him with their own two eyes. Do you know what? It is true whether they believe it or not! You and I have never seen Jesus, but we believe. We accept Him by faith. We don't have to see it to believe it!

Dear Jesus, Thank You that You help us accept by faith that You have risen from the grave and that You are alive. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Thank you for sharing your children!

Source from: <https://sermons4kids.com/>

## Our Church and Church Family

### ***Looking for something to do while social distancing?***

The church garden is continuing to grow so if anyone wants some exercise by tidying up the garden, please contact John Bested and he will give you guidance.



Dear members of PRUC.

Hello, everyone. My name is Sam. I am an international student at Flinders University. I wrote this letter to ask you to pray for international students in Australia. As you know, the world is spending difficult times due to COVID-19 at present. Many international students were studying by earning their tuition-fee by themselves. However, after the Australian government's regulations were enforced, most restaurants and cafes are working with delivery or takeaway only, or many of them were shut down. Other jobs are not different. As this reason, most of the international students who were working at those workplaces lost their jobs. Due to the nature of the student visa, if students cannot pay tuition-fees, their visa will be cancelled and they will not be able to stay in Australia for a long time. To make things worse, the Australian government recently announced plans to support tuition-fees except international students. It is raising the psychological anxiety of international students. Currently, some aid organizations, such as the Red Cross, are looking for ways to support international students, but many students are still at the crossroads of choosing whether to give up their study and go back to home. After reading this letter, please pray for international students for a minute. I believe that the Lord will lead the right way, no matter what the international students choose. I pray for your health and hope to face to face all members of PRUC again as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Sam (Seongyeon) Hwang.

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## Our Church and Church Family cont...



### PLEASE PRAY FOR ....

..... our members & friends struggling with ill health, especially remember in your prayers,;- Betty Nunan, Marj Green, Andrew Randall, Ray Williams, Judy Murdoch, Doug Faulkner, Bill & Grace Hancock, Bob & Beth Rankine, Roger Wyatt, Jackie & Ray Gabell, Dennis Henschke, Brenton Taylor and Ross Dawson.

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

**Hayeon Kim (4th), Alan Davies (14th), Tangi Steen (21st),  
Betty Nunan (29th)**



### Wanted

The newsletter is a good communicating tool. I would encourage all of you to write a journal, prayer, story and anything you want to share please contact Do Young or Sharon.

### Looking after the church property

If you are somewhere in the vicinity of the Church area and have the time, please have a look around the buildings (Church & Hall) for any open/damaged doors or windows as in these hard times, there are desperate people who may break in to these empty (of people) buildings looking for money or things they could sell.

### Bottles and cans

Please do not bring your empty bottles and cans to the church for the time being but if possible, store them and bring them when we get to the "new normal". Thank you.

### Viet Wok— Home catering and take-away.

Payneham Road UC's own Huy Nguyun has recently started a new home catering and take-away business. Free delivery within a 5km radius. 10% discount to people from Payneham Road UC. Ph. 0478 134 357. Menu on last week's newsletter or on his Facebook page.

### PRUC Website address:- [paynehamroaduc.org.au](http://paynehamroaduc.org.au)

I am trying to keep this website up-to-date and would appreciate polite feedback. Is there anything you believe should be on the website and isn't or should something be corrected? Please email me and let me know. Thank you. Sharon.

## Benefit of Wearing a Mask for Protection from infection?

<https://articles.mercola.com/sites/articles/archive/2020/04/04/benefits-of-wearing-face-mask.aspx>

Dr. Joseph Mercola April 4th 2020

Key points made in the article include the following: - (summarised by Heather Schubert – accessed 4.4.20)



Wearing masks in public has been required by several Asian countries since early this year and has resulted in less COVID-19 infection - with some researchers and other countries are now considering to advise people to wear some type of mask or face covering when in public. Several research studies have noted a significant decrease in influenza-like illness among those using both hand hygiene and wearing masks – with even home made masks being seen to be offering some protection.

If you are interested I recommend reading the whole article on the web site above .

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Other useful information (summarised from many sources)

Masks should not be considered as total protection - additional preventative measures to also be adopted are :

- 1) Avoid close contact with people who appear unwell and who have fever and cough. Hold your breath and move away (2-3 metres) or wear a mask to avoid inhaling possibly infected droplets or vapour from their exhaled air.
- 2) Cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, using a tissue when possible and disposing of it promptly – or cough and/or sneeze into your elbow.
- 3) Wash your hands frequently with soap and water (for 20secs) or use disinfectant gel to reduce the spread of the virus from your hands to face, other objects such as mobile phones, eating utensils or to other people.
- 4) At home clean hard surfaces - door handles or other commonly touched surfaces frequently with a normal cleaning product. When shopping disinfect handle of shopping trolley/basket and wash hands well on returning home.
- 5). If caring for someone with a flu-like illness, or if you develop signs of a flu-like illness - then definitely wear a mask if possible to cover the nose & mouth and reduce the risk of transmission.

## **What is eGive? (Choosing to financially contribute to our church)**

eGive is an electronic giving option that establishes a regular Direct Debit from your bank account or credit card, replacing the need to carry cash for your offering.

Giving electronically allows you to set your regular financial gift upfront, rather than giving whatever happens to be in your wallet as the offering plate passes by.

It's a simple way to financially contribute to your church. Over 1,500 people in our Uniting Church community are already giving in this way.

Give direct to your congregation electronically

No need to carry cash or cheques for regular gifts, offerings or tithes

Totally flexible – give weekly, fortnightly or monthly on any date of your choice

You can remain completely anonymous

Give as much or as little as you like

It's easy for both you and your congregation

We will debit your savings or cheque account and pass the funds direct to your congregation

You can also provide your gift as a purchase on your credit card (Visa and MasterCard only)

You can cancel your eGive instructions or suspend an individual transaction at any time

Please contact to David Heilbronn by calling 0434 053 976.

OR

When you next go to your usual bank you can simply tell the teller you'd like to deposit some funds into the following account or using internet banking.

Account Name: **Payneham Road Uniting Church**

UC Invest BSB: **805 007**

Account: **00701703**

Message: **Offering**

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