



**The Uniting Church in Australia
Warwick, Killarney & Freestone
Uniting Parish**

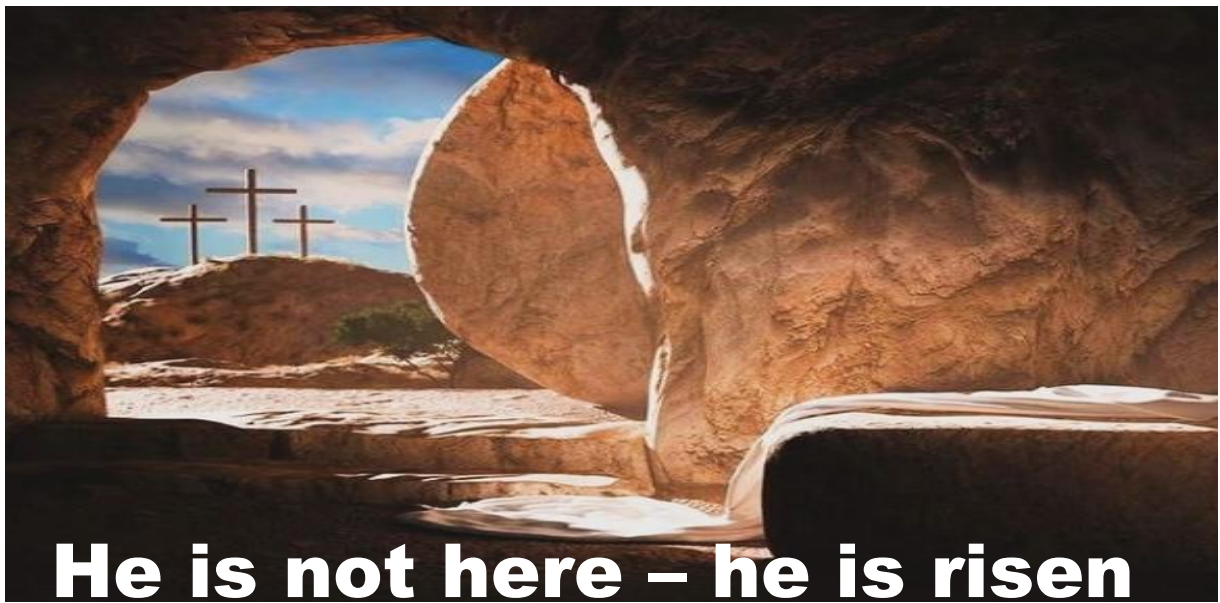


Sunday 20th April 2025

Welcome to worship on Easter Sunday.

May God bless you today as you join either online or in the pew.

Please stay for a chat and a cuppa after the Service.



He is not here – he is risen

God's Story, Our Story: Hope Growing

We read John's gospel knowing the end of the story and so approach it with excitement. We can't wait to get there; we anticipate the empty tomb.

I wonder if we really enter into grief and disillusionment with Mary Magdalen and the Twelve? I think it is time in the shadows that makes the brightness of new life shine more brilliantly.

Mary grieves. She goes to serve her Rabbi in the only way left to her - to anoint his life-less body. Then, panic - it is not there! No wonder she could not understand, only go and tell the bald facts to the others. How heartbreaking! Logic says a missing dead body must have been moved, who would do such a cruel thing? She cannot anoint him, cannot grieve alongside his remains. The others come, check the tomb, go home. She stays at the last place she saw him; she checks the tomb yet again - there are figures seated where Jesus had been.

Surely, she didn't see these strangers go in? Still focused on finding Jesus, she turns away from their questioning and sees another figure. The gardener? He might know where Jesus' body is! And Jesus says her name. "Mary."

Suddenly ... her full attention. "Rabbi!" Good news to share indeed!

from Rev Jenny Potter part of article in Uniting News

Worship Services

Easter Sunday 20th April

- 8:30am Killarney
- 9:30am Warwick

Sunday 27th April

- 8:30am Killarney
- 9:30am Warwick HC

Readings

Sunday 20th April

Acts 10: 34 – 43
Psalm 118: 1 – 2, 14 – 24
1 Corinthians 15: 19 – 26
John 20: 1 – 18

Sunday 27th April

Acts 5: 27 - 32
Psalm 118: 14 – 29
Revelation 1: 4 – 18
John 20: 19 – 31



Annual Peace Walk & Candlelighting Ceremony

WED MAY 7th 2025

-5.45pm Peace Walk from Town Hall
-6.00pm Event at Williams Memorial Hall

Be the voice!

Share in this important **statewide event** supporting those impacted by Domestic and Family Violence

All welcome!

Enquiries: text 0429 432 510

With thanks to

The Melomaniacs Choir Warwick Thistle Pipers
Uniting Church of Warwick

*Engaging guest speakers with professional and personal life experience

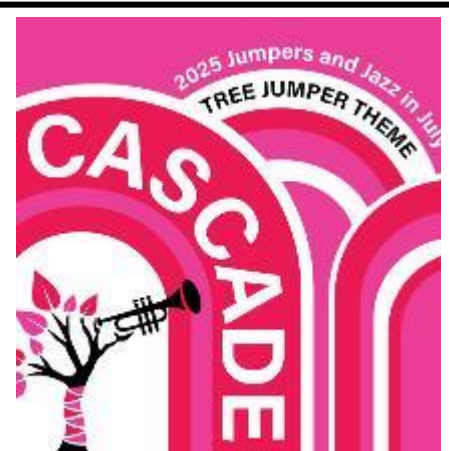
*Live musical performance * Early Supper



Help us spread our news of coming events, sermons, prayers and special occasions by sharing on facebook.



4:00pm on 3rd
Wednesday of every
month in Williams Hall



Any thoughts about a tree decoration?

Reflection...John 18, 19 and 20....Victory over Death

Nothing I could write would do justice to this simple, graphic story of how Jesus brought about our Redemption, our Salvation, our proof that God so loves us that he was willing to sacrifice his Son to bring it all about, giving us victory over sin and death. To take it all in, we need to commit to reading these three chapters deeply and with no interruptions! No matter how often we may have heard or read them over many Easters, the words pack a punch and bring us to our knees in wonder!

Often, our emphasis is on the jubilation and joy of Easter Sunday with celebration, family and feasting...but this can only happen by moving through the events of that Friday as Jesus takes the full weight of our sin on his shoulders...past, present and future! We are told how he agonised in Gethsemane, how he had to sacrifice his sinlessness for us. We hear his heart-rending cry, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" as our sin separates him from his Father and we wonder about the hot tears God must have shed at this desperate cry. And it was all for us!

We empathise with the desperate sadness, fear, despair and guilt felt by the disciples, the feeling of desolate, disappointing lostness. But...then comes the Resurrection! Death could not hold him...the sacrifice for us was completed! God, in his infinite and amazing love and grace has made it possible for us to stand before him, sins forgiven through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord!

We realize that Christ has gone before us, through death and suffering towards eternal life just so we can follow him into peace, love and home with God. That is what these three chapters spell out...That's what Easter proclaims! Death has lost its sting!

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again! Shalom, Jean

Last chance

Join us for a Mystery Meal Adventure in May

Are you ready for any exciting adventure in May?

Have you every hosted a meal with surprise guests?

Or perhaps you've attended a meal where you didn't know who you'd meet?

Then – Join our **Mystery Meal in May** event.

You can either:

- Host a meal – brunch, lunch, dinner (big or small - open your home to surprise guests)
- Join as a guest
- Or enjoy the best of both worlds

How to? Complete the forms in the foyer and deposit in them in the colour box – **last opportunity on Easter Sunday.**

Care Corner

- On this Easter morning, we give thanks and praise to God for the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Let us rejoice in the joy of Easter and the promise of new life. As we celebrate his victory over death and the hope he provides for all believers.
- News from Anna Cliffe: The family is now in a safe and secure position extends her thanks to everyone for making a positive difference for her family while she was with us in Warwick. Anna is streaming our Sunday worship. Pray for Anna, Oliver, Charlotte, Ashlyn and Ronald
- Give thanks for our Church family, the care and support we receive from one another.
- Please contact your Pastoral Care leader in times of need.

What's Happening this Week?

21st - 27th April

Hospitality: Group – Group 3

Monday 21st April

Ansie's non-contact day

Tuesday 22nd April

10am - 2pm WillowTree 37

Wednesday 23rd April

9:30am Killarney mainly music

10am Study group in Wesley Room

1pm Wesley Bowls

3pm Selah Bible study

7pm Beta Study group

Thursday 24th April

9:30am Warwick mainly music

10am – 2pm WillowTree 37

Friday 25th April

ANZAC Day – no Courtyard Coffee

Flowers next week: Rev May & Daphne Porter

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www.wt37.org

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BSB: 817 001 Account: 100 023 154

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