



The Uniting Church in Australia  
Warwick - Killarney  
Uniting Parish  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026



Welcome to *worship on this second Sunday of Easter.*  
*May God bless us today as we join online or in the pew.*  
*Please stay to share a chat and cuppa afterwards.*



The Upper Room is the place where the greatest drama in human history played out. For the disciples of Jesus, it was the place of the Last Supper.

The place where they hid in fear after the death of Jesus.

The place where they encountered the Risen Christ.

The place where they welcomed the Holy Spirit and the Church was born.

That Upper Room became not just a life-changing experience for the disciples, but also a world-changing experience for all humanity:  
on one hand, the shadows – jealousy, betrayal, fear and angst  
and on the other, light trying to break through – trust, service, healing and hope.

Jesus disciples were part of a success story, thanks to his message, healings and miracles. However, as they gathered for the Last Supper in the Upper Room, their confidence was quickly shattered by misunderstanding and betrayal.

The next time they met in the Upper Room, their sense of failure was compounded by the death of Jesus. Not long after, it was in that same Upper Room that the risen Christ appeared to them, showed them his scarred body, and shared with them the gift of his peace. Their failure and fear were then transformed by the Spirit into courage and hope, mission and service.

## Worship services

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April

- 8:30am Killarney – Combined Service with Breakfast Communion
- 9:30am Warwick
- 2pm Freestone

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April

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

## Readings

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April

Acts 2: 14a, 22 – 32  
Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:3 – 9

John 20: 19 – 31

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April

Acts 2: 14a, 36 – 41

Psalm 116: 1 – 4, 12 – 19

1 Peter 1: 17 – 23

Luke 24: 13 - 35



Good Friday service at Freestone  
Thank you Rev Ansie for your creative and  
inspiring messages during all our Holy Week  
services.



*Bob Lester – 16 April*



And at Killarney

## Prayer for today

Mighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt. May we who have not seen have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
Amen

## **Reflection on John 20: 19-31...Doubt and Faith**

Easter is more than a weekend. In the church calendar, Easter lasts for 50 days and the next 6 Sundays are named as the Sundays of Easter, culminating in Pentecost Sunday. So, for 7 weeks, we gather to hear stories of the risen Christ, to be revitalised by remembering the growth and struggles of the early church. For these 7 weeks we reflect anew on the impact that this momentous, joyous, amazing news has on our own lives, and on our life together as Church.

In today's reading Jesus appears to the disciples who, afraid of being arrested, have gathered behind locked doors. Had it all been for nothing? Then, in the midst of all this doubt, timidity, and disorientation, the risen Christ appears and gives them his peace. In spite of the locked doors, he commissions them to go out and continue the work God sent him to do. He breathes on them, and, in so doing gives them the Holy Spirit, and all assembled are changed. All this is rather amazing considering these are the same disciples who abandoned him at the cross. Even so, he gives the breath of the spirit to both empower and comfort, to give peace, and with it, responsibility. They are called to be the church....This disheartened, defensive group of doubters!

Today we look at the experience of Thomas and how his doubt moved into faith. To the questioning of Thomas, Jesus was respectful, generous and tolerant. Thomas denied his very resurrection. Then he stood before Jesus waiting for scathing words for his unbelief. They never came... Instead, Christ gave him evidence, nail holes, pure fact! Doubt changed to unquestioning belief! But that's not all, for it is also a story about how Christ ministers to doubt and helps us into belief. For Thomas, it brought him to his knees in faith and worship, My Lord and my God! May that be our response also.....Shalom, Jean



**SCOTS PGC  
COLLEGE**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** – worship at Scots PGC  
Chapel

10am – followed by morning tea

Pick up at Guy St church at 9:30am  
return bus after morning tea.

Just a reminder:

If you hold a BlueCard, or volunteer within the life of our parish, you need to undergo annual training - at [Safe Church Training on Vimeo](#) – most volunteers only need to watch.

**Safe Church training video 1.**

Click **Start watching.**

And don't forget to submit that you've watched it. Bring your reply email to the office. Thank you. Sue C

## Care Corner

**In need of prayer, contact our Prayer Net  
Co-Ordinator Dianne Cahill.**

**0427 000 887 All requests are confidential.**

# Pray for the combined service in Killarney celebrating Holy Communion. Jesus, our Risen Lord, we cannot see him with our eyes but we believe that he is alive and present among us.

# Pray that our faith may inspire us to live and practice what we believe, and that we may have enough faith in one another to build up a real Christian community.

# We pray for a world free from fear, conflict, and injustice. Lord, we ask that you heal the wounded, protect the vulnerable, and guide hearts away from violence bringing reconciliation to places where hatred divides. Grant wisdom to world leaders to work for the good of all, may your love shine in harmony and peace.

### Financial Summary

	<u>YTD</u> <u>2026</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>2025</u>
Income	\$51 354	\$48 678
Expenditure	\$46 723	\$48 777

## What's happening this week!

*Hospitality next week: Group 3*

*Flowers this week – Sue Campbell*

### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April**

**Rev Ansie's non-contact day**

9:00am – 2:00pm WillowTree37

### **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April**

9:00 am– 2:00pm WillowTree 37

### **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April**

1:00pm Wesley Bowls

### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April**

9:00am – 2:00 pm WillowTree 37

### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April**

9:00am – 11:30am Courtyard Coffee

All study groups, Girls' Brigade and mainly music are in recess until April 20<sup>th</sup>.

*Flowers next week - Marg Adcock*

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