



29 MARCH 2026



Welcome to worship, we hope you enjoy being with us.

Lectionary Readings

This week 29 March, 2026

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 2:1-11

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13 -53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1-19:42

Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10

Easter Services

**Maundy Thursday Gathering
2nd April, 7pm, in the hall.**

Come and share a light meal with communion, a meditative reflection and optional foot washing.

Good Friday 3rd April 9am

Easter Sunday 5th April 9am

Easter Sunday Flowers

Next Sunday morning, the bare cross will be transformed with fresh flowers. If you are able, please bring along some flowers from your garden. During the service we will all have a chance to bring our flowers forward to transform the cross.

Daylight Saving

Don't forget that daylight saving ends next Saturday 4th April, so put your clock **back** on Saturday night and enjoy the sleep in !



Name badges

We are planning to order some new name badges, if you need a new one please let Sue know.



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Rev Gail's Reflection

After the Bondi Massacre I received a reflection from someone who wrote their thoughts down as a way of processing their grief, frustration and sadness. I have permission to share that reflection below. Because each of us had our own unique and individual response to this horrific tragedy I want to premise this reflection by first acknowledging that in any given congregation there will be different political persuasions, theological convictions and points of view. However, it is through the love of Christ that we stand united in faith and it is to the way of Christ that we must give our first and foremost allegiance. As we grow spiritually we become more like Christ and this Christ likeness should be the number one influence on how we perceive the world. As Paul explains in Corinthians 12 we are like one body with many members (*and many points of view*) but together we are the united as the body of Christ. As the writer below concludes, we are all called to 'Be like Jesus', it's that simple.

Two people.

Two troubled people who listened to propaganda and felt like they needed to do something. So they did. And it was something terrible.

Hundreds of helpers and heroes.

Not just the guy who wrestled the gun away. People who shielded children. The people who risked their lives helping people to safety. The life savers, the police, the ambulance paramedics. The doctors and nurses. Nobody asked people's religion or for how long they had been in Australia or if they had a valid visa. They just helped. No questions asked. The people who weren't able to be there, prayed for the victims and their families. People lit candles in solidarity.

Thousands of blamers and haters.

People blaming the government for their recognition of Palestine. People blaming those who marched across the bridge for peace. People blaming refugees and immigrants. People believing and spreading different but equally damaging racist and hate propaganda that they hear on TV and social media. Nobody has blood on their hands except the two people who did the shooting. Two misguided murderers.

Let us celebrate the heroes and the helpers and the people who pray or give flowers or monetary support.

Jesus didn't blame the government and the regime he was living under, and it was far more brutal than ours. He didn't blame the Romans. He didn't blame the Samaritans. He loved. He healed, he helped and he prayed. And he forgave.

So what is our response? **Be like Jesus!** Don't hate. Don't blame. Don't spread rumours. Just love, pray, help and show support. That's it. That's what Jesus wants us to do. **Anon.**