

Order of Service

Song: With hearts full of praises

Prayer

Song: Jesus, I my cross have taken

Bible Reading: Ecclesiastes 5:8-6:9 & 1 Tim. 6:6-10

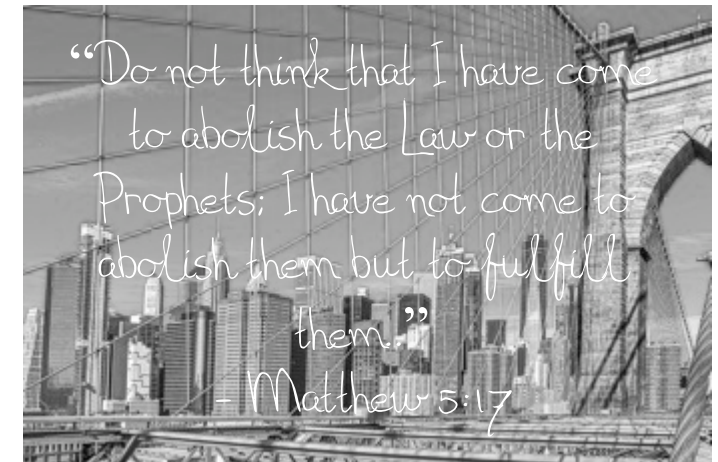
Sermon

Song: Be Thou my vision

Walcha
Presbyterian
Church

to show God's love by word and deed

to encourage others to follow Him



Sunday 6 April 2025

Welcome and please join us for a cuppa after the service

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- Please pray for Indonesia. There is a Bible college there that has 19 new students. *“On average... their Indonesian language is more basic (they are of course fluent in their various mother tongues), and their level of Christian maturity and understanding of the Bible”* is not as strong as in previous years. Yet, with a humble heart and right attitude may they grow in Christ Jesus quickly.
- Please pray for Pakistan. Pray *“for the safety of Christians in Quetta, Balochistan, as there is a fierce movement... to purge the province of Punjabis, most of whom have gone there for jobs and are fellow Muslims. However, the local Christian minority community are fearful. For Shakeel as he has gone back to start a prayer meeting among them.”* Also, in Lahore on 5th January 2025, a young teenage girl, Saba Shafique, was abducted in a forced marriage. But recently, police and legal representatives of her family were able to rescue her and arrest her abductor, thank God.

“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.”

- Isaiah 55:1

Notices

Membership- Membership is for professing Christians who are baptised. It is committing to a local church and requires a credible declaration of faith in Christ Jesus.

Baptism- After the Lord Jesus rose from the dead he commanded baptism (Matt. 28:19; also Acts 10:48). **Talk to Graham or Doug**

Ladies gathering - on the second Saturday of each month at 9.30am the ladies of the Pres. and Anglican Churches are invited to a fellowship meet-up. It is an informal gathering over coffee (or tea) and cake with a chance to chat, share and support each other. The gathering for April will be held on Saturday April 12 at 9.30am at Walcha Coffee 4N Derby St, Walcha. We look forward to seeing you there. Enquiries to Fiona on 0429690679.

Good Friday – 18th April. Come remember Jesus' death.

Barnes family away – from 10-14th April.

God's Word: searching for life

Apr 6 – Ecclesiastes (I want more)

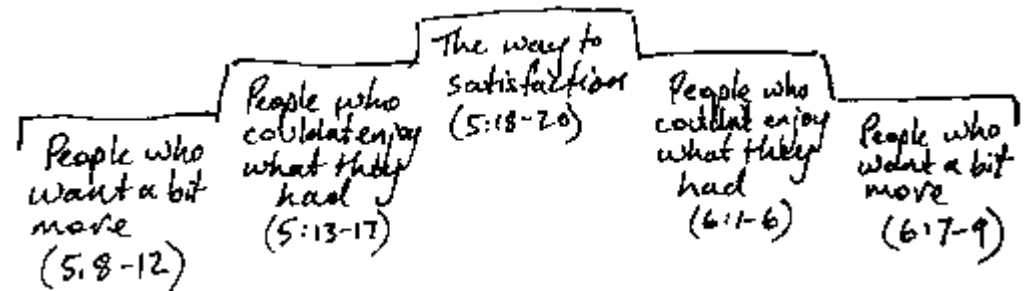
Apr 13 – Phil Speirs will preach

Apr 18 – Good Friday

Apr 20 – Resurrection day

	Apr 6	April 13	Apr 20
Kids' Talk	Doug	Stuart	Alex
Door		Eamon	Cameron
Morning Tea	Helen + Beulah	Stantons	? + Ranju

Ecclesiastes 5:8-6:9 The desire to get ahead



Wealth controls (5:8-12; 6:7-9)

- *Lord Jesus, help us to hold money as You as You would want.*
- *"Nevertheless, each person should live as a believer in whatever situation the Lord has assigned to them, just as God has called them..." – 1 Cor. 7:20*

Some lessons

- When we set our hearts on what God has not intended them for, we take away any opportunity for lasting happiness.
- Wealth can be of some benefit in this life (Prov. 10:15), but on the Day of Judgment it will be worthless (Prov. 10:22).
- God forbid that our attitude to money ever becomes a stumbling block to others.

Unable to enjoy what they should enjoy (5:13-17; 6:1-6)

- Ray Kroc, *"On Sunday I believe in God, family and McDonald's - and in the office the order is reversed."*
- Someone can seemingly have it all, and yet discontentment gnaws so strongly that it is better to have not known life at all.

Live for the day with the joy that God gives you (5:18-20)

"How sweet... it was for me to be rid of those fruitless joys, which I had once feared to lose... You drove them from me and took their place. You who are sweeter than all pleasure... I began to talk to you freely, O Lord my God, my Light, my Wealth, and my Salvation." - Augustine