

*In loving memory of*  
***Phyllis O'Dea***

*4<sup>th</sup> May 1922—28<sup>th</sup> March 2024*



*St Luke's Church, Ekibin*  
*Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm*



## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*A welcome is offered by the Rev'd Dr Timothy Nicholson*

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.  
(Response) And also with you.

*Sentences of scripture.*

'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord.

'Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet will they live.'

*John 11.25*

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

*Lamentations 3:22-23*

Let us pray.

Loving God, you alone are the source of life.  
May your life-giving Spirit **f**low through us,  
and **f**ill us with compassion, one for another.  
In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace;  
kindle our hope, and let our grief give way to joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## EULOGIES AND TRIBUTES

*Eulogy: Maureen Holding*

*Poem: "Mother," read by John O'Dea*

*Photographic Tribute.*

*Music: "Für Ellse," Ludvig van Beethoven*

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*Please stand as you are able to sing the hymn.*

*Hymn: Morning has broken*

Morning has broken like the **first** morning;  
blackbird has spoken like the **first** bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!  
Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
like the **first** dewfall on the **first** grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where His feet pass.  
Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
**Praise with elation, praise every morning,**  
**God's re-creation of the new day!**

*Words: Eleanor Farjeon 1881-1965*

*Music: Bunessan arr. © L F Bartlett, by permission Oxford University Press*

*Please be seated*

*Bible reading read by Marilyn Dempster*

A reading from the gospel of John

Jesus said, "do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

*John 14:1-6*

Hear the Word of the Lord:

*(Response)* Thanks be to God.

*The Homily*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Prayers are offered by the minister,  
concluding with the Lord's Prayer, said together:*

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
**And lead us not into temptation,**  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.

*Please stand as you are able for the hymn*

*Hymn: Amazing Grace*

Amazing Grace (how sweet the sound)  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.  
As grace **first** taught my heart to fear  
and Grace, my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I **first** believed!  
Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come:  
God's grace has brought us safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.  
The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
**he will my shield and portion be**  
as long as life endures.

*Words: John Newton 1725-1807 alt.  
Music: American folk hymn melody arr. © L F Bartlett*

## THE PRAYER OF FAREWELL

*Please remain standing.*

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave new birth to our sister Phyllis  
by water and the Spirit.

Grant that her death may recall to us  
your victory over death,  
and be an occasion for us  
to renew our trust in your Father's love.

Give us, we pray, the faith to follow  
where you have led the way,  
to live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
to the ages of ages. Amen.

Let us entrust our sister Phyllis to the mercy of God.

Holy and loving Father,  
by your mighty power you gave us life,  
and in your love you have given us new life in Christ Jesus.  
We entrust Phyllis to your merciful keeping:  
in the faith of Jesus Christ,  
who died and rose again to save us,  
and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit  
in glory for ever. Amen.

## THE COMMITTAL

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
you have given us a sure and certain hope  
of the resurrection to eternal life.

In your keeping are all who have departed in Christ.

We here commit the body of our dear sister Phyllis to be cremated  
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who died, and was buried, and rose again for us,  
and who shall change our mortal body  
that it may be like his glorious body.

Thanks be to God who gives us the victory  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace. Amen.

*Music as the coffin is carried to the hearse:*

*"Bridge over troubled water," Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel*

*Please join us after the service for light refreshments at  
20 Pauline Street, Tarragindi*





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