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## WEEKLY BULLETIN – 6<sup>th</sup> MAY 2018

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### A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEAD PASTOR...

This weekend we are going through the final chapter of this letter to Titus – chapter 3, and we are looking at kindness and renewal (the first part) and how we should stress these things, but also live these things (the second part).

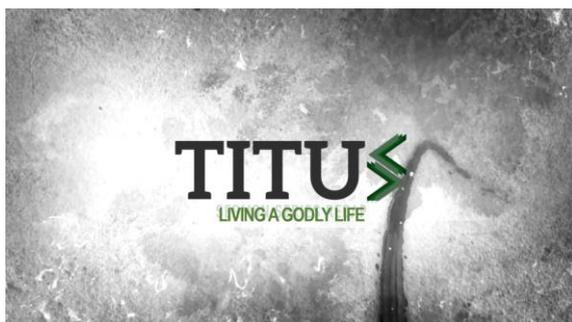
The kindness and renewal comes from God. Jesus got what we deserved. He endured our condemnation and death, and in return, we get what Jesus deserves: we get his reward. And this reward is God's presence in our hearts which renews us to go and stress and live these things.

What things? God's kindness, the appearing of Jesus, the rebirth of the Spirit, and hope of eternal life.

Paul (the writer of this letter to Titus) encourages us to stress the gospel, this good news. We can never talk about the gospel (the good news) too much. We need never move on from it or move away from it. Stressing and living these things to our own hearts and to our church family is what we and they need the most.

So I encourage you, to after today, re-read through this letter to Titus, and discern what God is saying to you.

And in the same way Paul closes his letter, I also say to each of you, 'Grace to you all', because grace has come to each of you through Jesus Christ. *Pastor Ben*



Series: **Titus – Living a Godly Life**  
Part 3: "Titus Chapter 3"

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# | Upcoming Dates

Fri	18/05		<b>Office Closed (Ipswich Show Holiday)</b>
Sun	20/05	9am	ONE Church Pentecost Service at St John's Worship Centre
Wed	23/05	9.30am	Midweek Holy Communion Service, Bethany Worship Centre, Raceview
Sat	09/06	6pm	Movie Night at Bethany Worship Centre

# | Today

**Traditional Service** at Bethany 7.30am

**Thank you** to Stephen Wood (8am) and Angela Jacob (9.30am) for leading worship at St John's today.

# | Happenings & Notices

**Mother's Day Public Service Announcement** Just a friendly community announcement that Mother's Day falls again on the second Sunday in May (13/05). If you haven't yet organized that gift – then do so ASAP. Also – be sure to put in the calendar to join us for worship at each of our locations as we embrace a number of guest speakers to give us a special mother's day message.

**Lutheran Women of Qld, West Moreton Zone Rally Day** will be held Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May at Esk Lutheran Church starting at 9.00 with morning tea. The theme for the day is "Blow away the chaff". Everyone is invited to attend. Please bring your own lunch and a friend. Pastor Peter Geyer from Boonah takes over the role of spiritual advisor from Pastor Milton Fritsch who answered a call to St John's Geelong.

**Pentecost Worship** Please note that on Pentecost Sunday (20<sup>th</sup> May) we have combined worship at 9am at St. Johns Worship Centre (No services at our other worship centres on this day). Join us as we combine together as ONE church to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit.

**Midweek Holy Communion Service** at Bethany Worship Centre will be held on Wednesday 23<sup>th</sup> May.

**Men's Shed** will be held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm

**Pastors Ben and Roelof** invite you to join us for the LYQ Brisbane Appeal Dinner to be held at BTP Conference Centre, Eight Mile Plains at 545pm on Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> May. Cost is \$89 per person. This is an opportunity to support our state's Lutheran youth in all the amazing ventures they undertake to connect young people with Jesus... so don't miss out on being a part of this great ministry. RSVP by Monday May 14 please.

**Farewell to the Rogers Family** we invite anyone who would like to share in wishing the Rogers family every blessing for their move to Townsville to come to the service at Grace on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00am. There will be a luncheon after the service.

**Bethany Movie Night is on again** Fancy enjoying some fellowship, a few slices of pizza, a drink, and a fun enjoyable movie.... Then put this date in your calendar now. Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to come along to our Bethany Worship Centre to enjoy a great evening. Bring your family and friends. More details to follow but for now save the date please.

**Kalbar St John's Lutheran Church Ladies Guild** invites you to their annual morning tea on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 10am. Guest Speaker Jon Krause MP Admission \$8 RSVP by 16<sup>th</sup> May Elaine Regeling 54638567 or Ivy Stephan 54637222.

**Prayer Group** We're looking to increase our lovely Prayer Group. This is an opportunity to let GOD stretch our prayer life with like minded people, caring and supporting each other. We would love to see you at our next meeting on Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> May at 10am. Contact Val Lucas on 0428677579

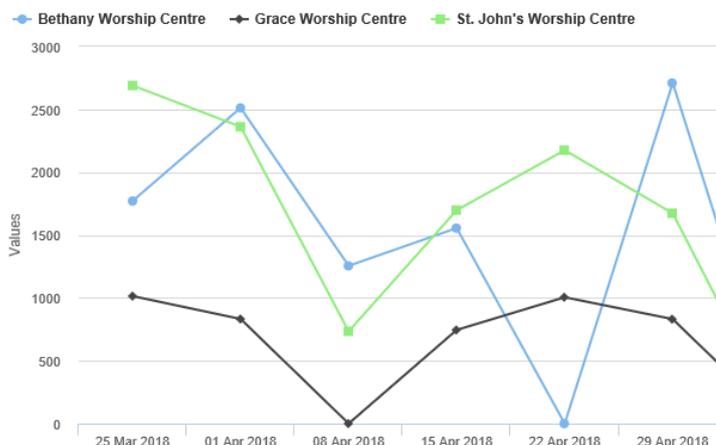
**Sewing Volunteers** for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes 2018 - St John's. Basic sewing of shoulder bags, pencil cases, small bags & skirts. See Lee Stiller or contact on 0407648962.

**LYQ Camps** Kids Camp has traditionally been run in summer but due to demand LYQ is excited to be launching a Winter Kids Camp in 2018! This camping season is packed with five incredible camps designed to grow faith and impact the lives of our young people. There are four Christian Life Week (CLW) camps and brand new Winter Kids Camp to bring a spark to the July holidays.

- 2 – 6 July Coolum A CLW, Grades 7-12 Luther Heights Youth Camp, Coolum Koojarewon A CLW, Grades 7–12 Koojarewon Youth Camp, Highfields Winter Kids Camp, Grades 3-6 Luther Heights Youth Camp, Coolum**
- 9 – 13 July Coolum B CLW, Grades 7-12 Luther Heights Youth Camp, Coolum Koojarewon B CLW, Grades 7-12 Koojarewon Youth Camp, Highfields**

To find out more and to register logon to the LYQ website [www.lyq.org.au](http://www.lyq.org.au)  
The cost for Winter CLW 2018 is only \$320. There will also be separate congregation subsidy codes to help with the cost of these camps. Please contact your congregation treasurer to find out about these subsidy codes.

# Giving & Attendances



Giving



Attendance

# Prayer

## Prayer Points

- for the church, the bride of Christ, that it may abide in his love
- for the newly baptised, that they may learn to keep the Father's commandments
- for parents, that they may love their children
- for musicians who lead us in worship
- for those whose love has grown cold or who live without love
- for those who live without joy

## Connect Card & Submitted Prayer Requests

- Thank you for all we have, may we be grateful and share with others.
- Lord, thank you for Pastor Ben & Roelof and prayer team, who show us the Good News of our Saviour Jesus
- Prayers for new pastor Roelof and for refugees of this world.
- Prayers for people in the community that have not so far come to the Lord for salvation.
- Pray for those who speak for you around the world.
- The many ill & infirm in our Parish - for comfort and healing.

## General Prayers

- Please continue praying for
  - the Pastors, staff team and leaders of the Church
  - all upcoming meetings around the Church
  - worship services across all our locations (beforehand and as they take place)
  - specific events as they arise (i.e. funerals, weddings, baptisms etc.)

# Stay Connected

**Want to know more about Jesus?** Head to 'Next Steps' on our website: [www.ipswich.church](http://www.ipswich.church) or alternatively, speak to one of our pastors. We would love to hear from you and help you if you want to continue in your faith walk, learning more about our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Guests** – we trust that you have drawn closer to God in worship today. Our church is blessed by your presence today. Please stay and enjoy a 'cuppa' with us after worship and make yourself known to us. We'd love to answer any queries you may have, and be able to bless you with a special welcome pack & gift – just for you!

**Help Us To Care** - if you know of someone who has fallen ill or who is suffering in any way, please let the Pastoral Care Coordinator or one of the Pastors know by contacting the parish office so that appropriate care and follow up can occur.

**Thinking Of Joining This Church?** – We would love for you to make that commitment with us, as you make a conscious decision to be part of something bigger than simply yourself. If you have been worshipping here regularly and are not yet a member, the pastors would be happy to talk to you about 'making our Church home - your Church home.'



*Worship  
Times*

**8am**  
**St. John's**  
*(32 Roderick St.  
Ipswich)*

**9am**  
**Bethany**  
*(86 Raceview St.  
Raceview)*

**9.30am**  
**St. John's**  
*(32 Roderick St.  
Ipswich)*

**10am**  
**Grace**  
*(19 Ipswich Rd.  
Riverview)*