



GLADSTONE ANGLICAN CHURCH

To know Christ and make him known

26 April 2026

Combined Service

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Verse for the Day (Sentence)

'I am the good shepherd,' says the Lord. 'The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.'

John 10:11

Prayer for the Day (Collect)

God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep: send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

CHURCH SERVICES

St Saviour's Gladstone

🕒 9:00am Wednesday
Morning Prayer

Holy Communion 1st Wed

🕒 8:00am Sunday
Holy Communion

📍 70 Auckland St
Gladstone

St Peter's Clinton

🕒 9:30am Sunday
Holy Communion

📍 50 J Hickey Ave
Clinton

Combined Church Service

TODAY @ St Peter's

Prayer And Celebration

Happy Birthday

For those sick and in need

Margaret Baldwin
Ray B
Iris Benham
Dorrie Bermingham
Cecily Bird
Brink family
Ian Chapman
Rev. Nathan Dean
Jeanie Eddy

Happy Anniversary

Rob Farnsworth
Clare Houston
Sherleagh Janes
Jessica K
Elwyna Kingston
Edna Kuzmic
Kevin Milligan
Maureen Murray
Naomi

In Remembrance

- Les Snell

Merril Ruback
Edna Stokes
Annslie Stovell
Jacki Thomson
Spencer Thomson
Fiona Vecchio
Whitehead family
Julia Wright

Bible Readings for Sunday

FIRST READING

Acts 4:42-47

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to

anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favour of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

PSALM

Psalms 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

² He will make me lie down in green pastures: and lead me beside still waters.

³ He will refresh my soul: and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no

evil: for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.

⁵ You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me: you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

⁶ Surely your goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:1-10

¹ Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. ² Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, ³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴ As you come to him, the living Stone - rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him - ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says: 'See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him

will never be put to shame.' ⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, 'The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,' ⁸ and, 'A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the message - which is also what they were destined for. ⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:33-48

³³ "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.' ³⁴ But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; ³⁵ or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. ³⁶ And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. ³⁷ All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

³⁸ "You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' ³⁹ But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. ⁴⁰ And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your

coat as well. ⁴¹ If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. ⁴² Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbour and hate your enemy.' ⁴⁴ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? ⁴⁸ Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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GIVING TO CHURCH

Prayerfully decide what and how to give:

- Direct debit - ANFIN forms available from the office
- Internet transfer - BSB 014580 ACC 386917064 ref 'Offering'
- In person - offertory envelopes available from the office

Give to our missionaries - BSB 014580 ACC 460298848 ref 'CMS'

If everyone in church gave \$10 a week, we would reach our target

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VOLUNTEER WITH US

This N That Op Shop

☎ 07 4972 9740

🕒 9.00am - 4.00pm Monday - Friday

📍 3-4/25 Tank Street, Gladstone

Soup Kitchen @ St Saviour's

🕒 6:00-7:00pm every Monday

📍 70 Auckland Street, Gladstone

COME JOIN US

Playgroup @ St Peter's - During school term

🕒 9:00-11:00am Monday

Coffee and Craft @ St Peter's

🕒 9:00-11:00am every Tuesday

Bible Study @ St Peter's

🕒 7:30-9:00pm every Wednesday

Ladies' Bible Study @ St Peter's

🕒 9:30-11:00am every Thursday

Men's Bible Study @ East Shores

🕒 9:00-10:30am every Friday

Shed Sale @ St Peter's

Next Sale: Saturday 2 May, 7:00-11:00am

Men's Breakfast @ St Saviour's

Second Saturday of Even Months

Communities that Care (DFV Awareness)

Saturday 9 May, 1:00-5:00pm

St Luke's Wandal