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Isaiah 50:4-9a (NIV)

⁴The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed.

⁵The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away.

⁶I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting.

⁷Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame.

⁸He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me!

⁹It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who will condemn me?

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29 (NIV)

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

² Let Israel say:

“His love endures forever.”

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter.

²¹ I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

²² The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

²³ the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

²⁵ LORD, save us!

LORD, grant us success!

²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.

From the house of the LORD we bless you. ^[a]

²⁷ The LORD is God,

and he has made his light shine on us.

With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.

²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

It was Palm Sunday but little Johnny was feeling sick so he stayed at home with a babysitter while the rest of his family went to church. When the family got home, they were all carrying palm fronds.

"What are they?", asked little Johnny curiously.

His dad explained,

"They're called palm fronds.

People held them above Jesus' head as he walked by them."

"Well that's just my luck," said little Johnny.

"The one Sunday you don't make me go to church and Jesus shows up."



Philippians 2:5-11 (NIV)

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



If Easter says anything to us today, it says this: You can put truth in a grave, but it won't stay there. You can nail it to a cross, wrap it in winding sheets and shut it up in a tomb, but it will rise! ~ Clarence W. Hall

PEEL VALLEY CONGREGATION

Our goal: "To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus."

Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."

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Doss Wark Ross Davidson Bruce Jarrett



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

22 April ~ Mavis Chaffey

28 Apr ~ Jean Stratford

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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for Peter Scorgie at the moment.
- We also pray for Allan, Beth's brother, who is in a nursing home in the Southern Highlands.
- We give thanks that Mel is making such a good recovery. She left hospital last Sunday, but will remain in Sydney to receive daily checkups.
- We give thanks for all organ donor families - their generosity during a time of grief gives the gift of life to others.
- We pray for safety and patience everyone travelling over the upcoming Easter weekend.

Meg's Musings

In the Northern Hemisphere, Easter comes at the end of winter, and the beginning of spring.

That is the reason why baby rabbits, chickens and eggs are used to symbolise Easter - they represent new life.

For our family this year, it is a time of new life. Mel has received a new kidney, and she already feels so much better than she has for most of the past year.

A grieving family's gift of a kidney has changed Mel's life for the better..... it has given her the opportunity to enjoy life more fully.

Jesus gave each of us the potential for new life with his death on the cross. But his gift was not just for one of us - his act of sacrifice was for each and every one of us.

Blessings from Meg



Mark 11:1-11, 15-18 (NIV)

Jesus Comes to Jerusalem as King

11 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ²saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here.

³If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

⁴They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?"

⁶They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go

⁷When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it.

⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields.

⁹Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

¹⁰"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹¹Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

¹⁵On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts and began driving out those who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves, ¹⁶and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts.

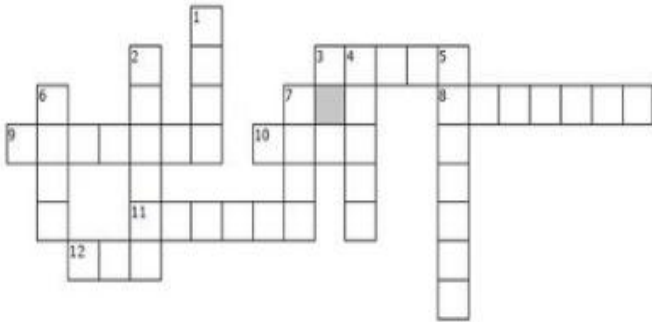
¹⁷And as he taught them, he said, "Is it not written: 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations'? But you have made it 'a den of robbers.'"

¹⁸The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill him, for they feared him, because the whole crowd was amazed at his teaching.

The Triumphal Entry

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

Luke 19:38 (NIV)



ACROSS

3. The Son of God
8. A word used for praise and adoration which means "save us"
9. A small town
10. A young animal of the horse family; especially one under one year
11. To stretch out over a large area
12. To secure with a piece of rope

DOWN

1. What a person is called
2. To express admiration or approval of something or someone
4. To go into a place
5. Said something in a loud voice; called out; yelled
6. A male ruler of a country
7. A pathway for vehicles, persons, and animals; a street or highway

One day the people that don't even believe in you will tell everyone how they met you. - Johnny Depp



<p>1st Sunday of the month ~ Luncheon @ West</p> <p>3rd Sunday of the month ~Trading Table @ West Tamworth</p>	<p>4th Sunday of the month ~ Markets @ Hallsville</p>
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MEMORY LANE ~ 3rd April

Rob Wood will be coming to Memory Lane to speak about his tour of the Holy Land a few years ago. He will also be showing slides, so it should be a very interesting morning.

CHURCH SERVICES EASTER - GOOD FRIDAY

30 March	6pm	Hallsville	~ Jim Newton
1 April	11am	West	~ ??????
6 April	6pm	Hallsville	~ NO SERVICE
8 April	8.30am	Gowrie	~ Meg Mangan
8 April	11am	West	~ Meg Mangan



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