

Peel Valley Congregation Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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1 John 5:1-6 (NIV)

Faith in the Incarnate Son of God

5 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well.

² This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands.

³ In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, ⁴ for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. ⁵ Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God. ⁶ This is the one who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth.

Acts 10:44-48 (NIV)

While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message.

The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles.

For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God.

Then Peter said,

⁴⁷ "Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have."

As So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

A new commandment
I give unto you
That you love one another
As I have loved you,
That you love one another

By this shall all men Know you are My disciples If you have love one to another.

As I have loved you.

A Mother's Prayer

Dear Lord, it's such a hectic day, With little time to stop and pray, For Life's been anything but calm, Since You called me to be a mum -Running errands, matching socks, Building dreams with matching blocks, Cooking, cleaning and finding shoes And other stuff that children lose. Fitting lids on bottled bugs. Wiping tears and giving hugs, A stack of last week's mail to read -So where's the guiet time that I need? Yet, when I steal a moment, Lord, just at the sink or ironing board. To ask the blessings of Your grace, I see then, in my small one's face, That You have blessed me all the while -And I stoop to kiss... That precious smile.

~ Source Unknown

while we try to teach our grandchildren about life, our grandchildren teach us what life is all about

Other Lectionary Reading for this week: **Psalm 98**



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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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for those members of our congregation in Aged care; Phyll Bylund, Elphie Lang and Noreen Dobbie. None of them has received their first Covid19 vaccine yet.
- ➤ We pray for those who are recovering from medical problems: Patrick, Bruce, Jan, Marg and Heather.
- ➤ We pray For Bronwyn Mangan who has shingles, and her partner John who is undergoing chemotherapy.
- We give thanks for warm blankets and heaters.
- ➤ We pray for Charlie, Jan Parker's great-grandson who has been in hospital this week.
- ➤ We give thanks that Kevin will be able to have his loose screw in his hip removed.

Meg's Musings

This is Mothers Day.

We celebrate those women who gave birth to us, and nurtured us.

Less than half of the world will enjoy the privilege of becoming mothers. I guess that makes mothers a minority group.

There is so much focus these days on the rights of minority groups.

But each of us naturally form minority groups. Most of us are part of the "over 65's" - a minority group.

I guess that we need to be mindful that the groups which we are part of don't tread on the rights and privileges of other minorities - that we "keep an eye out" and care for everyone, no matter which groups they belong to.

The reading from Acts this week shows how Peter had to revise how he saw others - Gentiles - as being Children of God, just as the Jews were.

Maybe we need to be ready to see each and every person as a Child of God, and precious in His eyes.

Blessings from Meg



Sometimes WHEN I OPEN MY MOUTH MY MOTHER comes out

10 May

~Alison Forrester

14 May

~Evelyn Keen

20 May

~Shirley Whitten

26 May

~Bill Forrester

⁹ "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love.

John 15:9-17 (NIV)

you. Now remain in my love.

10 If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love.

I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.
 My command is this: Love each other as I

¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command.

¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

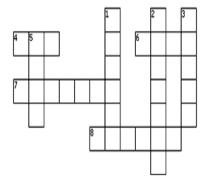
¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.

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Love each other as I have loved you.

John 15:12 (NIV)



ACROSS

- A state of happiness or delight
- To hold dear, to like or desire greatly
- 7. Someone that performs duties for a master
- 8. A person that you like very much

DOWN

- One who has authority over another person
- 2. An order which a person is expected to obey
- 3. To gain knowledge, skill, or understanding
- 5. To do what you are told; follow the rules

CHURCH SERVICES

16 May 11 am **West**

~ Fay Monckton

