



Peel Valley Congregation

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Luke 11:1-13 (NLT)

Teaching about Prayer

11 Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As he finished, one of his disciples came to him and said, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

2 Jesus said, "This is how you should pray:

"Father, may your name be kept holy.
May your Kingdom come soon.

3 Give us each day the food we need,

4 and forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.

And don't let us yield to temptation."

5 Then, teaching them more about prayer, he used this story: "Suppose you went to a friend's house at midnight, wanting to borrow three loaves of bread. You say to him,

6 'A friend of mine has just arrived for a visit, and I have nothing for him to eat.'

7 And suppose he calls out from his bedroom, 'Don't bother me. The door is locked for the night, and my family and I are all in bed. I can't help you.'

8 But I tell you this—though he won't do it for friendship's sake, if you keep knocking long enough, he will get up and give you whatever you need because of your shameless persistence.

9 "And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you.

10 For everyone who asks, receives.

Everyone who seeks, finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

11 "You fathers—if your children ask for a fish, do you give them a snake instead?

12 Or if they ask for an egg, do you give them a scorpion? Of course not!

13 So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him."

Colossians 2:6-10 (NLT)

Freedom from Rules and New Life in Christ

6 And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him.

7 Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.

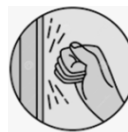
8 Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the spiritual powers of this world, rather than from Christ.

9 For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body.

10 So you also are complete through your union with Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority.

Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85
Colossians 2:11-15 (16-19)



"Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door,

I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me" Revelations 3:20(NIV).

Don't go back, you're not going that way.

~ Enaelbreit

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



We hope to send 25 boxes again this year.

Small toys and balls, toothbrushes etc would be much appreciated.



Fabulous Finds Op Shop @ Hallsville
Open 9:00 to 1:00pm,
Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays.



IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for the medical staff impacted by the rise in Omicron and 'flu cases.
- It is now 5 months since Russia invaded Ukraine. We pray for everyone impacted, including those who are short of food and fuel because supply lines from Ukraine have been cut.
- We pray for all members of our new Federal Parliament as it meets for the first time this week.
- We give thanks for all of the Community Carers, and staff in aged care facilities, and for their dedication.
- We pray for the families of each of our members.



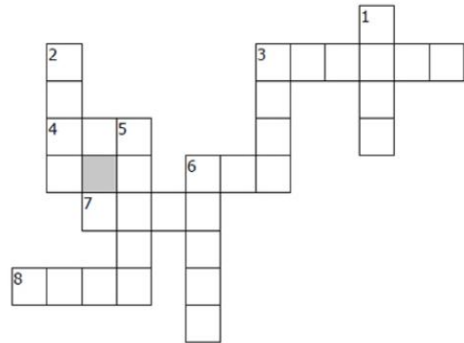
Jesus Teaches about Prayer

"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Luke 11:9

Based on Luke 11:1-9



Ask
Seek
Knock



ACROSS

- 3. A person you know, like, and trust
- 4. To make a request for something
- 6. A piece of furniture for sleeping
- 7. A movable structure used to close off an entrance to a room
- 8. A device operated by a key and used to keep a door from being opened

DOWN

- 1. To look for something
- 2. To talk to God
- 3. To locate something by searching for it
- 5. To stike a series of blows with your fist, as on a door
- 6. A food made from flour mixed water and other ingredients, then baked in an oven



Meg's Musings

Late each afternoon over the past month or so, there has been a small group of Rosellas meeting together on the power-line across from our house. They are probably there to catch the last of the sun's rays, although they meet there even on cloudy days. It began with just 2 of them, and has increased to as many as 5 Rosellas. They look wonderfully colourful as the late afternoon sun enhances their red, gold and green colouring. I can't help but stop what I'm doing and admire them. Their natural beauty shines through. I feel joy when I see those Rosellas. I'm sure that they give God joy too. I pray that each of us also give God joy as we go about our daily activities. We haven't been gifted with the bright colours of the Rosellas, but God has gifted each one of us in truly wonderful and special ways.

Blessing from Meg

- 26 July ~ **Beulah Fenwick**
- 26 July ~ **Sue Budden**
- 27 July ~ **Amity Debenham**



CHURCH SERVICES

31 July ~ 5th Sunday Combined Service
West Tamworth at 11:00am. Lunch provided.
The theme is "Christmas in July".
Please come and share in a time of worship and fellowship.



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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Six Little Stories With Lots of Meaning

1. Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. **That is faith.**
2. When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. **That is trust.**
3. Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarms to wake up. **That is hope.**
4. We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. **That is confidence.**
5. We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. **That is love.**
6. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence, "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." **That is attitude.**

~ creatorvilla.com

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