



Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (RSV) Service Well-Pleasing to God

¹³ Let brotherly love continue.

² Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.

³ Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them; and those who are ill-treated, since you also are in the body.

⁴ Let marriage be held in honour among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled; for God will judge the immoral and adulterous.

⁵ Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never fail you nor forsake you."

⁶ Hence we can confidently say,
"The Lord is my helper,
I will not be afraid;
what can man do to me?"

⁷ Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God; consider the outcome of their life, and imitate their faith.

⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.

¹⁵ Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

¹⁶ Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Dear God...

So far today I haven't gossiped,
haven't lost my temper,
haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or
overindulgent.

I'm really glad about that. But in a few
minutes, God, I'm going to get out of bed. And
from then on I'm going to need all the help you
can give me. Amen ~ anon

It was pride that changed angels into devils;
it is humility that makes men as angels.

~ Saint Augustine

Luke 14:1, 7-14 (NLT)

Jesus Heals on the Sabbath

¹⁴ One Sabbath day Jesus went to eat dinner in the home of a leader of the Pharisees, and the people were watching him closely.

Jesus Teaches about Humility

⁷ When Jesus noticed that all who had come to the dinner were trying to sit in the seats of honor near the head of the table, he gave them this advice:

⁸ "When you are invited to a wedding feast, don't sit in the seat of honour. What if someone who is more distinguished than you has also been invited?

⁹ The host will come and say, 'Give this person your seat.' Then you will be embarrassed, and you will have to take whatever seat is left at the foot of the table!

¹⁰ "Instead, take the lowest place at the foot of the table. Then when your host sees you, he will come and say, 'Friend, we have a better place for you!' Then you will be honored in front of all the other guests.

¹¹ For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹² Then he turned to his host. "When you put on a luncheon or a banquet," he said, "don't invite your friends, brothers, relatives, and rich neighbors. For they will invite you back, and that will be your only reward.

¹³ Instead, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

¹⁴ Then at the resurrection of the righteous, God will reward you for inviting those who could not repay you."



The older you get, the more quiet you become. Life humbles you so deeply as you age. You realize how much nonsense you've wasted time on. ~ anon

One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say.

~ Bryant McGill



IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for Jane Wenham, from Hallsville, who has moved into a Uniting Care home in Brisbane.
- We give thanks that baby Ferdinand, Joyce's great-grandson, is doing well, and gaining weight.
- We pray that the right ministers will be found to lead our Tamworth congregations.
- Thank-you, Lord, for the colour and beauty of spring.
- We pray for Jim and Heather Newton, as they pack up their home, ready to move.

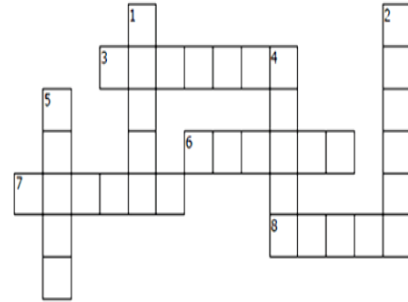


Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less. ~ Rick Warren

A Lesson in Humility

"For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." Luke 14:11 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 14:7-14 (NIV)



ACROSS

- 3. A marriage ceremony and any celebrations which follow it
- 6. A person whom you know well and like a lot
- 7. To ask someone to go somewhere with you
- 8. A flat piece of furniture with four legs where we eat our meals

DOWN

- 1. A large meal for many people
- 2. Not proud or not believing that you are important
- 4. A person who has been invited to a social occasion, such as a party or a meal
- 5. To show great respect for someone, especially in public



Meg's Musings

Spring is a time when some days feel as though the winter is behind us - only to find that we are suddenly back to icy winds, and snow falling nearby. The first Freesia bloom has emerged in our garden, and most of our Jonquils have finished blooming. It's a state of almost, but not quite yet.

Life is like that sometimes too.

Birds seen to be partnering, and cosying up, but we aren't yet being dive-bombed by Magpies.

Jim and Heather Newton are moving from their present home - but their new home is still under construction, so that are having to mark time for a number of months, before they can really move forward, and enjoy their new home.

Shirley Whitten is out of hospital, but still needing lots of medical, personal, and home care. A step forward, with many steps to follow.

Jane Wenham has moved from Tamworth to Brisbane, and from independence, into being cared for. Her move has been quite a break with her past life.

None of us can know what "is just around the corner" for us. Sometimes we strike out into new territory, and sometimes we seem to be caught "in between". At other times, life seems to go on, very much as it has always been.

Wherever we find ourselves, it's good to know that God is beside us, sharing the journey with us.

Blessing from Meg

- 28 August ~ Anna Davidson
- 30 August ~ Denby Budden
- 31 August ~ Fiona Hansford
- 31 August ~ Alan Littlejohns



CHURCH SERVICES

4 September 8.30am **Gowrie**

~ Meg Mangan

4 September 11am **West**

~ Jennifer Battle



Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

Jeremiah 2:4-13 Psalm 81:1, 10-16



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



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1st Sunday of the month ~ Luncheon @ **West**

4th Sunday of the month ~ Markets @ **Hallsville**



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