Brooklands Church

#21 – Sunday 31 May 2026

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.
John 1:5

Friends,

What a fantastic job Sarah and Siobhan did last week for our Pentecost service! I know they are both encouraged by all the wonderful feedback. This first Sunday after Pentecost is known as Trinity Sunday. Churches worldwide celebrate the Triune God of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. With this in mind our sermon this week we are looking at a very famous passage from the beginning of John's Gospel.

This leads me nicely to a book recommendation. I have been at our Nazarene Theological College for Minister's Summer School the past few days. It is great to fellowship with other pastors from the district. We are also having various workshops based on the book The Gospels: Reading and Interpreting the Bible. It is written by two friends of our church: Rev Dr Svetlana Khobnya and Dr Kent Brower. It is a very helpful book for learning more about the Gospels and is available as a paperback and kindle edition.

Thank you to all the ladies who came to our first event in a while. We had a great time bowling then back to church for food. We will have more social events coming up over the next few months.

Grace and peace,

Lucy

COMING UP AT BROOKLANDS

Sunday, 31 May 2026
10:30 am | Sunday Worship. Speaker: Lucy Frost

Monday, 1 June 2026
11:00 am | Piper Hill. Piping Hot Café

Tuesday, 2 June 2026
10:00 am | Computer Support Group
07:00 pm | Bible Study. Mick's Bible study at church

Wednesday, 3 June 2026
10:00 am | Toddle-In
05:00 pm | FoodCycle. Free community meal

Thursday, 4 June 2026
11:00 am | Community Café and Food Pantry
02:00 pm | Bible Study. Lucy's Bible study at church
07:30 pm | Choir practice

Sunday, 7 June 2026
10:30 am | Sunday Worship. Speaker: Mick Kane

Saturday, 20 June 2026
09:00 am | Prayer Breakfast. See Jon Fisher for details

Saturday, 27 June 2026
09:00 am | Grief Support. See Jon Fisher for details

Daily Readings and Prayers		
DATE	**READING**	**PRAY FOR**
Mon, 1 Jun 2026	John 9:1–12	Vera Packard
Tue, 2 Jun 2026	John 9:13–41	Gilly Parish
Wed, 3 Jun 2026	John 10:1–21	Sandra and Mike Pitt
Thu, 4 Jun 2026	John 10:22–42	Fay Powell
Fri, 5 Jun 2026	John 11:1–16	Cameron Preece
Sat, 6 Jun 2026	John 11:17–44	Matthew, Charlotte and Joshua Purves
Sun, 7 Jun 2026	John 11:45–12:11	Sheila and Alun Roberts

Church Prayers

- Pray for Gert recovering from a procedure to remove gallstones.
- We give thanks for improved health for Bill Ellis. Continue to pray for him and Sue, who is recovering from a fall.
- Pray for Annette Jones who lost her husband, Mike, suddenly.
- Pray for Michelle Bean who broke her hip and needed replacement surgery.
- Pray for Christine Hoolihan who had gallbladder removal surgery recently.
- Pray for Alice Lau who had surgery recently.
- We thank God Vivienne's operation went well and pray for her recovery.
- Pray for Lesley Dinsdale as she awaits radiotherapy treatment.
- Pray for Sean Harland's brother Justin, who is going through a difficult time back in Australia.
- Pray for Alun's brother Myf, who has undergone surgery recently. Thank God for the progress that has already been made.
- Giving thanks for healing in the life of Jan, Sue Cooley's friend. Pray for her as her radiotherapy continues.
- Pray for Brenda, a friend of Peter Grady, who is receiving end of life care at the moment.
- Pray for Herbert McGonigle as he returns home after a period in hospital following a fall. Herbert is grateful for our prayers.
- Pray for James Clarkson up in Perth Scotland as he completes his studies and pursues avenues into ministry.
- We give thanks that Rebekah McLachlan's recent scan has come back as clear again. We continue to pray for the family - Bryan, Dawn and Eilidh - in these days.
- We have been praying for Henry, aged 8. Following investigations it was decided that his heart valve can be repaired as opposed to replaced. This is good news. Continue to pray.
- Pray for Anne Hunter's son-in-law John who has been in hospital recently.
- Pray for Andrew, Sandra Pitt's son who as he continues to recover from a serious fall.
- Please pray for Sheilagh who helps lead the craft table at our community cafe as she adjusts to living on her own now. Her husband, Ian, is in a care home. Pray for Ian that he would settle and find peace.
- Pray for Darcie, a young girl from Scotland we have been praying for. Following treatment for cancer Darcie has had some nodules removed from her lungs. The results have shown signs of active cancer and we need to pray for her ongoing treatment.
- Pray for David Hoolihan who continues his treatment for Myeloma.
- Pray for Peter Evans who is sadly no longer well enough to be with us at church on Sundays.
- Pray for Grace, the granddaughter of Sue Cooley, who is going though a very difficult time at the moment. Pray for Sue and the family as they look to support her.
- Pray for Roman, who is connected to us through Jean Walker, as he continues to recover from a serious brain injury.
- Pray for Ada Savu who remains unwell.
- Pray for Phoebe, who is a granddaughter of a friend of Lesley, Brenda and Helen. Phoebe needs a liver transplant as part of her cancer treatment.

If you have any prayer requests for inclusion in this weekly list, please contact Pastor Mick, Pastor Lucy, or Mark Bolton.

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Call to Worship

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

God is a creating God.
Making all things new through the father's love and grace.

God is a redeeming God.
Healing our relationship through Jesus, the Son.

God is a sustaining God.
Empowering us for God's work through the Holy Spirit.

Holy God, Three in One, we open ourselves to you.
Holy God, Three in One, create us, redeem us, sustain us. Now and forever, Amen.

I Give You My Heart

Verse 1
This is my desire
To honour You
Lord with all my heart
I worship You
All I have within me
I give You praise
All that I adore is in You

Chorus 1
Lord I give You my heart
I give You my soul
I live for You alone
Ev'ry breath that I take
Ev'ry moment I'm awake
Lord have Your way in me

Shout To The Lord

Verse 1
My Jesus my Saviour
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Chorus 1
Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing
Power and majesty praise to the King
Mountains bow down
and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

Chorus 2
Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing
Power and majesty praise to the King
Mountains bow down
and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I Have
Nothing compares to the promise I Have
Nothing compares to the promise
I Have in You

Psalm 116

Chorus
I love You Lord
For You have delivered me
I love You Lord
For You have delivered
My soul from death
My feet from stumbling
I will walk in the land of the living
My soul from death
My feet from stumbling
I will walk in the land of the living

Verse
I will bless You Lord
For You heard my cry
I reached out my hand
And You saved my life
I will bless You Lord
For You heard my plea
And the God of Heaven
Turned His ear to me
I will bless You Lord
For unending love
For Your grace and mercy
Raining down from above
And I will bless You Lord
To the very end
I will call on You
As long as I may live

John 1:1–5

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the
Word was with God, and the Word was God.
2 He was with God in the beginning.
3 Through him all things were made; without
him nothing was made that has been made.
4 In him was life, and that life was the light of
all mankind.
5 The light shines in the darkness, and the
darkness has not overcome it.

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Verse 1
I am weak but Thou art strong;
Jesus, keep me from all wrong.
I'll be satisfied as long
As I walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.

Chorus
Just a closer walk with Thee,
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea.
Daily walking close to Thee,
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Verse 2
Through this world of toil and snares,
If I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

Verse 3
When my feeble life is o'er,
Time for me will be no more.
Guide me gently, safely o'er
To Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore.