



THE LEISURETIME TID-BITS

An Easter Message from Rebekah Munn, interim Minister at
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There is a quote by an unknown author: *"I asked Jesus, 'how much do you love me?' And Jesus said, 'this much.' Then He stretched out His arms and died."*

Easter is the ultimate story of restoration, faithfulness and love. Jesus demonstrated his act of perfect love on the cross and in his death, we can have a restored relationship with God. Even though Good Friday is a hard day when we reflect on the sacrifice Jesus made, it is also a comforting day knowing God did something that we could not do. In his love, God brought restoration in relationship.

This is why Good Friday is known as good.

Jesus didn't stay in the grave; we also celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on **Easter Sunday** declaring
Jesus is no longer in the grave, He is risen!

In the death of Jesus our relationship with God is restored, and in the resurrection of Jesus we have new life. For centuries around the world Christians have celebrated the restored relationship and life they have because of the faithfulness and love of Jesus Christ.

Not only did God make a way for us to live a restoration life, God understands pain and suffering and can walk with us through both the good times and the bad.

In a restored relationship with God, we know we are loved, we know we are forgiven,
and we can trust God to help us every day.

*The miracle of Easter continues to change lives throughout the world and the invitation is always there to enter this loving relationship. **May you be blessed this Easter and know that you are loved.***



Church Service Times at Elanora Uniting Church This Easter

Good Friday 29th March 9 am

Easter Sunday 31st March 9am

NOTICES:

***** **EASTER HAT DRESS - UP DAY** *****

- This Wednesday, 27th March is our final day for the term. Come along wearing your latest **Easter Hat Creation**. There will be prizes.

Ya' Gotta' Be In It To Win It!



Also pick up a special treat from the kitchen when you get your cuppa.



The Autumn Fair is on Saturday, 20th April from 8 am to 2 pm

What can you expect when you come to the Autumn Fair?

- ✓ You will be able to **park** in the Church Grounds but the area from Coinda down to the little roundabout near the Courtyard and the parking area adjacent to the Fellowship Hall (Woolomi Hall), will be blocked off. There will be stalls in that blocked-off area so you can wander freely around the stalls.

- ✓ **The Leisuretime Stalls** will be along the veranda of the Church down to Robbie Hall.
- ✓ In the Courtyard Area there will be **tables and chairs** where you can rest and the Church Ladies will be serving **Devonshire Teas** there.
- ✓ They will also have a **cake stall** in that area.
- ✓ You might be interested in baking a cake or two for the cake stall. If you are, please see Gloria. She also needs your empty bottles for the jam stall.
- ✓ In the **Assembly Hall** (Woolomi Hall) there will be **entertainment** provided every hour by the local schools and outside community groups.
- ✓ Other food will be provided by the School Chaplains who will be cooking a **barbeque** and **Coinda** will be open to provide food. There will be gluten free and vegan soft serve **icecreams, fairy floss** and **slushees**.

More Notices:



*Jann Chamberlain is one of our First Aid Officers but is retiring from that position at the end of this term. Thank you Jann for being available to serve Leisuretime in this position for so many years.

We are looking for someone to fill this position. If you are interested in being a First Aid Officer with Leisuretime, please contact Carol . Leisuretime will pay for you to do the First Aid Course.

*Leisuretime resumes for Term 2 on Wednesday, 17th April.

*The Trading Table is running a **pre-loved clothing** stall – clothes, shoes, bags, jewelry - at the Autumn Fair. If you are de-cluttering, please think of us.

*We'll also be selling **second hand books**.

The Easter Bunny is a very energetic fellow – delivering Easter Eggs all around the world. Well on Easter morning a lady opened her refrigerator and who should be sitting in the refrigerator on one of the shelves but..... The Easter Bunny. “What are you doing there in my refrigerator?” she asked in a surprised voice. The Easter Bunny replied, “This is a Westinghouse isn’t it?” “Yes” the lady replied. “Well, the rabbit said, “I’m westing.

