



Karrinyup Anglican Church

Old Church — New Life

19th April 2020

The Power and Importance of God's Grace

For the next couple of months, we'll be looking at Paul's letter to the Galatians. It is one of the earliest letters he wrote to various churches that has survived. It's also unusual in that it does NOT start with Paul's usual thanksgiving for the church or person he's writing to. It seems that the particular spiritual situation Paul had to address was substantial and serious. At times Paul's language is harsh and unrelenting, something many find uncomfortable today especially in a world where spiritual 'truth' is seen to be relative, personal and subjective. So why is Paul so intractable about this issue?

The reason is that Paul understands that behind the fact of Jesus' death and resurrection is the meaning and purposes of that first Easter weekend. God the Father sent his Son to earth to come and save us, save us from sin, evil, death and judgment. This salvation is something that is a work of God from start to finish, the supreme demonstration of his undeserved and generous grace. A group referred to by some as the 'Judaizers' were teaching the Galatians that all the men, Jew and Gentile, needed to believe in Jesus and be circumcised otherwise they were not truly saved. For Paul, this will not do. This addition only subtracts from the gospel of grace.

All too often it is too easy to fall into the same trap of adding something else to the gospel to seemingly secure our salvation but in the end gospel plus is actually gospel minus and only serves to compromise our faith and the salvation and new life won for us by Christ. These things do matter, both now and into eternity otherwise, our faith is little more than a psychological crutch and in vain. It is this marvelous gospel of Grace even now we are called to live and proclaim!

THIS WEEKS READINGS:

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Galatians 1:1-2:10

John 20:19-31

SERMON PREACHED BY:

Michael Stuart

Title: Will The Real Gospel Please Stand Up

MISSIONS

Please pray for Supporting Heart, Frank and his team. See the Missions board for more information or go to: supportingheart.org

Please pray

- Thanks to God for that we have the ability to stay in touch through Facebook and other media during this time.
- Continue to pray for Cyril to totally recover.
- For Kate and Laurie Plichta's baby grandson Isaiah that he stays healthy
- For all our expenses to be covered.

Continued overleaf

Family Prayer Cycle

Week Commencing 12th April 2020

- Ivon and Karen Green and family
- Ula Hagemann and family
- Nikki Harvey and family

Continued from overleaf

Please Pray

- For our new born sister in Christ Nova Sapphira Taylor, born prematurely and her parents
- For our sister in Christ Maria Acott and our brother Fred Acott

NOTICES:

Jemima Foley

The Foley family had a car accident on the Easter long weekend and Jemima was hurt. She is in a spinal ward and has to wear a neck brace and she is experiencing a great deal of pain. So please pray that the pain would subside completely and there will be no long term problems. In Jesus name!!!
Clem and Alex are okay except for their deep concern for their daughter of course.

COVID-19 UPDATE

1. Sunday services can be accessed through our new facebook page 'Karrinyup Anglican Church Services'. Request an invitation if you are on facebook and Kevin can give you access. The sermons are still available in audio as well.
2. For urgent pastoral matters ring the church or Michael on 0418 905 036.
3. For those who place their gift in the plate or basket when coming to church, please look at direct debit or arrange a time to bring your gift in the form of a cheque. If your income has been adversely affected by the present crisis then please adjust your giving accordingly. We can send you the ACF direct debit form as a PDF to print out, fill in and send off.

Easter Sermons for Archive listeners

Kevin Mullen has kindly uploaded Michael's Easter Sunday Sermons to our webpage archives

kac.net.au/sermonsarchive.php (password needed)

Matthew 26;14-25 & 27;3-10 - Judas Kiss - Michael Stuart - Maundy Thursday 9/4/20

Matthew 27;32-54 The Servant King - Michael Stuart - Good Friday 10/4/20

Matthew 28;1-15 The Risen Lord - Michael Stuart - Easter Sunday 12/4/20 (I will upload this on Sunday)

You can also view sermons from 22nd March onwards, and the Easter Services, as videos on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1516051731878182/>

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