



**UNITING  
AUSTRALIA**

**CHURCH IN**

**YASS PARISH.**

**April 2025**

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*As part of God's people we are called by God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to share the love and grace of Jesus Christ, within our community through regular worship, faithful witness and humble service.*

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### **Will You Hurt Back?**



Sir Walter Scott, a well known writer, met a stray dog in the street. Perhaps it yapped around his feet and annoyed him, for he picked up a stone, intending to frighten the dog away. But his aim was better than he intended it to be. The Stone struck the dog and broke a leg. Instead of turning and running away on three legs, perhaps yelping with pain, the dog crawled on three legs up to Sir Walter Scott and licked his hand. Sir Walter records that he never forgot that animal. He said that he would remember while he lived that the dog he had hurt had licked his hand. An animal, but it was a forgiving and loving animal. The story

did not say what the writer did with the hurt animal, but we feel sure that it went to a good home and the broken leg was set and healed.

If a dog could lick the hand of the man who hurt it, what should we do?

Do you remember what Jesus did? He was nailed to the cross and people were mocking and scorning and ridiculing him, but he prayed that they might be forgiven.

“They don’t know what they are doing” He said.

There maybe people who will hurt you.

Will you hurt back? No of course not!

You are a follower of Jesus, you believe in Him and are learning to love Him.

So you will forgive as He forgave.

If a dog can act as the hurt dog acted, we, in a far greater way can be loving and forgiving. This is expected of Christians.

*Contributed.*

## Lectionary Readings April 2025

Date	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
6 <sup>th</sup> April	Is 43: 16-21	Ps 126	Phil 3: 4b-14	Jn12: 1-8
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Is 50: 4-9a	Ps 31 9-16 or PS 118: 1-2 19-29	Phil2: 5-11	Lk 19: 28-40
18th April. Good Friday	Is 52: 13-53 12	Ps 22	Heb 10: 16-25 or Heb4: 14-16, 5: 7-9	Jn 18:1-19:42
20 <sup>th</sup> April. Easter Sunday	Acts 10: 34-43. Is 65: 17-25	Ps 118: 1-2 14-24/ PS 114	1Cor 15: 19-26 or Acts 10:34-43	Jn 20: 1-18 or Lk 24: 13-49
27 <sup>th</sup> April	Acts 5: 27-32	Ps 118 14-29 or Ps 150	Rev 1: 4-18	Jn 20: 19-31



## Duty Roster. April. 2025

<i>Date</i>	<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Bible Reader</i>	<i>Prayers</i>	<i>Morning Tea</i>	<i>Music Roster</i>	<i>Flowers.</i>
6 <sup>th</sup> April	Rev Charles Vesely. HC	Gorden Henshaw	Sandra Henshaw	Sandra & Gordon	Judy Banks	Barb Rayner
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Rev Charles Vesely	Phil Willis	Ruth Thompson	No MT Church Lunch	Judy Banks	Ann Ranyard
18th April. <b>Good Friday</b>	Rev Anne Ryan	Suzie Graham	Owen Graham	No Morning Tea		
20 <sup>th</sup> April. Easter Sunday	Rev Anne Ryan	Chris Anderson	Della Armour	Ann & Chris	Phil Willis	Sandra Henshaw
27 <sup>th</sup> April	Rev John Braakman	Barry Banks	Ruth Thompson	Kerry & Ruth Thompson	Phil Willis	Ruth Thompson

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Elders: Suzie & Owen Graham

## **DATES FOR DIARY**

13<sup>th</sup> April CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AFTER THE SERVICE  
13<sup>th</sup> April LUNCHEON IN THE HALL

### **Annual General Meeting of the Yass Congregation**

The AGM and General Meetings of the Yass Congregation will be held on 13<sup>th</sup> April.

At this time an election will be held for the positions of **Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, Secretary, Presbytery Representative, Newsletter Editor**, Nominations for the Property Committee, **Church Notices, Chief Stewards**.

The elections will be followed a General Meeting of the Yass Congregation.

Nominations and Agenda items should be received by 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 to the Secretary.

Christine Anderson - Congregation Secretary.

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### **REPORT FROM PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

The Committee met on 24th March. the accounts were passed for payment.

A report was prepared to send to Church Council about projects that have been discussed.

As per instructions from Presbytery we were required to look at building maintenance projects that could be funded

from Sales Proceeds from the Bookham building.

A recommendation will be made to Church Council about a contract with an agent.

Ruth Thompson for the members of the Property Committee.



### **Birthdays. April**

*Barry Bush, Esmay Bush, Ken Bush, Judy Banks  
Suzie Graham*



### **Fellowship Group.**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 2pm



### **No Playgroup During School Holidays**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April

Every Friday 9.30- 11.30.

St Andrews Hall

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## Yass Uniting Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Elders Meeting	2	3	4	5
6 10am Yass Rye Park	7	8 Fellowship Group 2pm	9	10	11 Playgroup. 9.30- 11.30	12
13 10am Yass	14	15 TE Gardens 11.00am GWL 2pm	16	17	18 Good Friday 9.30am	19
20 10am Yass Rye Park	21	22	23	24	25 Anzac Day	26
27 10am Yass	28	29	30			

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