



Tin Can Bay Community Church

A Baptist Ministry

*The Purpose Statement of our church is:
NOW IS THE TIME TO BE GOD'S
LIGHTHOUSE IN TIN CAN BAY*



Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

18th April 2021

Christ - Our Substitute

(by Charles Spurgeon - 365 Days with Spurgeon: Volume I)

"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." (2 Corinthians 5:21)

In no sense is he ever a guilty man, but always is he an accepted and a holy one. What, then, is the meaning of that very forcible expression of my text? We must interpret Scriptural modes of expression by the words of the speakers. We know that our Master once said himself, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood;" he did not mean that the cup was the covenant. He said, "Take, eat, this is my body"—none of us conceives that the bread is the literal flesh and blood of Christ. We take that bread as if it were the body, and it actually represents it. Now, we are to read a passage like this, according to the analogy of faith. Jesus Christ was made by his Father sin for us, that is, he was treated as if he had himself been sin. He was not sin; he was not sinful; he was not guilty; but, he was treated by his Father, as if he had not only been sinful, but as if he had been sin itself. That is a strong expression used here. Not only has he made him to be the substitute for sin, but to be sin. God looked on Christ as if Christ had been sin; not as if he had taken up the sins of his people, or as if they were laid on him, though that were true, but as if he himself had positively been that noxious—that God-hating—that soul-damning thing, called sin. When the judge of all the earth said, "Where is sin?" Christ presented himself. He stood before his Father as if he had been the accumulation of all human guilt; as if he himself were that thing which God cannot endure, but which he must drive from his presence for ever.

FOR MEDITATION: God regarded Christ crucified just as if he were sin, not Son. The substitutionary atonement is the key which enables the Christian to make use of the description "Just as if I'd never sinned."

Welcome to Our Service

We pray you will encounter God as we worship together today. If you are visiting please make yourself known to someone and stay behind for a chat.



Happy Birthday to Pat Copus celebrating her birthday on Wednesday.

God's blessings on your special day.

Prayer Points



- Frith Krueger's surgery was postponed until 22nd April. Continue to pray for healing from her cancer, for wisdom and skill for the surgeons, and for peace of mind for Frith as she continues to wait for her surgery.
- Continue to pray for Bob & Desley's daughter, Mon, for peace of mind and release from her anxiety. Continue to pray for Bob, Desley, Mon's husband Scott, and their family.
- Leighton Grantley has just been diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukaemia and admitted to hospital for urgent treatment. Please pray for

KYB

KYB will recommence this week with an introduction to the study on the book of Daniel. Any newcomers are most welcome to attend.

Leighton, his wife Anna, and his mother Marj.

- Pray for the Community Outreach that our church is involved with that those who work in these vital areas will be faithful representatives of our Lord Jesus Christ:
 - » Centrelink Office
 - » Resource Centre
 - » Op Shop

Children's Ministries



Lighthouse Kids is for children 3 years old to the end of grade 6. It runs each week of the school term during the sermon in our Sunday worship service. Our program includes bible lessons and follow-up activities.

Breakfast Club (a ministry of School Chaplaincy) is run on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the Tin Can Bay State School. This is a fantastic way to

minister to those students who are less fortunate and also a great time to get to know the kids. "If we can give just a handful of children a good start to the day, then it is worth it."

Donations of food items is always needed to allow this ministry to continue - Margarine, Vegemite, Honey, Jam, Cheese Slices (plastic cheese not the real stuff) and Apple Juice Poppers (100% juice).



bringing hope to a young generation



“Jaymashi” - God at work in Nepal

As a church we annually support the work of ABWA in Nepal. The following article was written by Gabriel Lacoba who recently visited there:

A little over a month ago, I was leading my first supporter trip to Nepal. Since arriving home, it's been good to recall the ten days or so that I was there.

As I reflect on the trip, my thoughts are framed by something said by one of the participants as she considered her own experience during those ten or so days. Her hope was to see God at work in Nepal. And, at the end of the trip, after visiting about six villages and even more community groups, she was able to say that God had answered her prayers – He is certainly at work in Nepal!

But how did this affect my own reflections? For me it comes down to one little word: “Jaymashi”. “Jaymashi” means “Praise the Lord”. It's the Christian blessing of choice (rather than the normal “Nameste” greeting) and it is the core of two special memories from my recent trip to Nepal.

At the end of a visit in the last community on our schedule, I heard it from one of the older women we'd been meeting with. I was standing on the fringe of a bustling crowd that had gathered when she came up to me with a smile and uttered, “Jaymashi”.

Of course, by this stage in our trip I knew what the word meant. And that made it a particularly special moment to me, because she had made a point of making her way through the throng to make contact. Even though her greeting was the extent of our conversation (my knowledge of Nepali is limited at best!) it communicated volumes to me of the salt and light in her community.

Then, there was the young abandoned mother of three living with a disability. I met her in a community we visited earlier that same day. At the end of a lengthy conversation with our group, during which, she was nursing her infant son, I watched as her face transformed when she spoke the word “Jaymashi” to us. The moment forged a special connection between her and the women I was travelling with, each of whom spontaneously embraced her, one-by-one as we left. It was one of the most moving things I had ever witnessed.

This last instance forcibly reminded me of when Jesus said: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven”. This young mother, though certainly poor according to the world's standards, is blessed. I was also reminded of what Paul said to the Corinthians: “God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong, and God chose what is low and despised in the world, even the things that are not, to bring to nothing the things that are”.

Here, in rural Nepal, God was at work. Building His kingdom in ways that I could not comprehend. It put flesh on the words spoken to me by the Director of one of our Christian partners in the field who said that, invariably, after they begin their work in an area, churches end up being planted by the community in the years that follow.

So... when Baptist World Aid funds development work, it seems to me that something incredibly powerful happens when people who come into a community offer unconditional grace, in the form tangible and lasting change for a family. Perhaps this shows grace in all its unadorned power – help offered for those in need without conditions.

I'm sure this is what has attracted many who live in these communities who are now greeting one another with, “Jaymashi”.



Church Website

Links to the Sermon and Church Bulletin are emailed out each week but they are also available on our Church Website. In fact, you can listen to sermons from as far back as 2011. To access these and other great resources you need to register online and email Brad so he can confirm your registration.

www.tincanbaycommunitychurch.com.au

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Church Library

The Church Library is open each week after the service. It's located at the back of the Auditorium so take time to have a browse of what's on offer.

This Week In Our Church



Sunday 18th April	9.00 am	Church Service
Monday 19th April	9.30 am	KYB at Jan Murfet's home
Tuesday 20th April	9.00 am	KYB at Kim Petterson's home
	9.30 am	KYB at Jan Hughes' home
Wednesday 21st April	3.00 pm	Homegroup at Kay Cox's home
Sunday 25th April	9.00 am	Church Service
		Lighthouse Kids

Rosters

Date	Worship Leader	Singers	Data	Welcoming	Offering Counters	Sanitiser Team	Chair Setup 7am start
18 Apr	Heather	Hayley	Brendan	Lynelle Katie	Kelly Tony	Julie-Anne Kaitlyn	Rob Jim
25 Apr	Simon	Carmel	Linda	Trevor U Kay	Nick Jed	Kathy Kay	Rob Trevor U

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