



Our mission:
**KNOWING
 CHRIST AND
 MAKING HIM
 KNOWN**

GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our goal:
**Care, Communicate,
 Connect so that people
 may know CHRIST.**

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Maundy Thursday, Good Friday & Easter Day 2016

WELCOME to all worshipping over Easter!

May we all be encouraged and strengthened in our faith through the Word of God, and the Lord's Supper which we celebrate with one another.



Before worship

"Why are you weeping?" asked the Angel.

What a question! There were plenty of reasons for Mary to weep - for herself, for her people, for her helplessness, for the depravity of the human condition, for Jesus and the horrors done to Him, for the missing body, for the disillusionment of the disciples, for his family, for Peter and his denials, for the future and hope that seems dashed.

Mary is engulfed in grief, sorrow, loss . . . Sometimes in life we too can be choked by such grief.

Gospel of Mark tells us the Angels say to her, "Don't be alarmed because the tomb is empty." "He has risen!"

So in reality Mary has nothing to worry about, the body has not been stolen, it has not disappeared. Jesus has risen, He is alive. All her fears are groundless. But sadly these words do not even penetrate Mary's grief.

Then Jesus says one Word to her - "Mary," her name. Instantly she recognizes Him as her teacher and her grief is shattered by the realization and joy in the reality of His living presence.

In and through Baptism we have the same sure promise that Jesus knows us by name and His living presence is with us. His tender coaxing and calling of our name and His promise to be with us always can give us the same joy as Mary in recognition of who He is and what He has done for us. Even the darkest grief and deepest sorrow cannot hide Him.

May the resurrected Lord Jesus flood our hearts and minds with the joy of recognition and belonging as we see Him afresh this Easter morning. Glory, honour and praise to You our risen Lord Jesus, Amen.

Margey Knapp

Worship Opportunities

Easter Services

Thurs 24th Mar

Fri 25th Mar

Sun 27th Mar

7.00 pm

9.30 am

6.45 am

Maundy Thurs worship with HC

Good Friday worship

Dawn service held at Jon & Jacque Schutz's home, 97 Range Rd North, Upper Hermitage

The property can be reached either from North East road or Seaview Rd (for people on the Golden Grove side).

9.30 am

Easter day worship with HC in GGLC Worship Centre followed by hot cross buns for morning tea.

Sunday 3rd April

9.30 am
6.30 pm

Contemporary worship with HC
Salt Factory worship



