

"Being the Gospel to all People"

Weekly Newsletter Sunday 8th November 2015 40th Birthday Celebration Service

A very warm welcome is extended to all visitors to St Johns

Morning tea is offered after the service today, so please stay and enjoy some time with us.

Today's Theme: Birthday Celebrations

Readings: Psalm 84: 1-8, 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Psalm 84:1-8 (NIV)

For the director of music. According to *gittith*. D of the Sons of Korah. A psalm.

- ¹ How lovely is your dwelling place, LORD Almighty!
- ² My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.
- ³ Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young—
- a place near your altar,

 LORD Almighty, my King and my God.
- ⁴ Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you. [c]
- ⁵ Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage.
- ⁶ As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. [d]
- ⁷They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion.
- ⁸ Hear my prayer, LORD God Almighty; listen to me, God of Jacob.

1 Corinthians 12:12-27 (NIV)

Unity and Diversity in the Body

¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by^[a] one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

¹⁵ Now if the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be?

¹⁸ But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday Worship: 15 November 2015

Theme: "Future Hope"

Focus Scripture: Mark 13:1-8

Other Readings: 1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25

Prayer points: Please pray for: George Morrison with his continued recovery at home. Little Cubs Kindy for more children as they vacancies because some children have reached school age and Kindy competition is strong. Averill Rule with ongoing health issues. The 40th Birthday Organising team.