

## A new Heaven and a New Earth

And so today we come to the end of our journey in Revelation. Yet it is not an end but rather a new beginning. The sin-ruined

creation of Genesis is restored in the sacrifice-renewed creation of Revelation. The heavens and earth in Genesis becomes a new heaven and a new earth in Revelation. The grand story that has creation for its first word, also has creation for its last word and we who are in Christ, are new creations waiting for our new home.

C.S. Lewis' story the Last Battle, describes this new beginning: And as he spoke [Aslan] no longer looked like a lion; but the things that began to happen after that were so great and beautiful I cannot write them. And for us this is the end of all the stories, and we can most truly say that they lived happily ever after. But for them it was only the beginning of the real story. All their life in this world and all their adventures in Narnia had only been the cover and the title page: now at last they were beginning Chapter one of the great story which no one on earth has read: which goes on forever: in which every chapter is better than the one before.

Look how Revelation fulfils what is written in Genesis.

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth...Gen 1

And I saw a new heavens and a new earth Rev 21

Gen 2:17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die."

Rev 21:4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain,...

Gen 3:10 Adam answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.

May this wonderful future hope we have in Jesus encourage us all to press on to know the Lord every day in this life knowing one day we will be in his very presence forever. God bless you , Rev'd Peter

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Weekly Newsletter

6th October 2019

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Tea Gardens & Bulahdelah

Today's Readings: Revelation 21 and 22  
'All things made new'

Next week's readings: 2 Samuel 11:1-27, Psalm 51

Karuah

Lectionary Readings, as per handout



Good Morning and we warmly welcome all who have come to worship God with us today and trust that you will be blessed through having spent this time together. We invite you to stay for a cuppa and chat after the service.

## WHAT'S COMING UP TODAY

**St Andrew's, Tea Gardens**  
8am Holy Communion  
5.30pm Prayer Praise & Proclamation

**St Columba's, Karuah**  
8.30am Holy Communion

**St John's, Bulahdelah**  
10.15am Holy Communion

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10.15am Morning Prayer

## AGED CARE SERVICES

### OCTOBER

**Wednesday 16, 10.30am**  
Peter Sinclair Gardens, H. Nest  
**Friday 18, 11.00am**  
Cedar Wharf Lodge, Bulahdelah  
**Tuesday 22, 10.30am**  
Estia Health, Tea Gardens

See Robert Marsh for more information

It's always like Spring time with  
**JESUS,**  
He makes all things **NEW**



### OCTOBER

**Thursday 10 & 24 10am Men's Growth Group** at St Andrew's

**Saturday 12, 7.30am for 8am Men's Breakfast** at St Andrew's  
Speaker: Andrew Robertson.  
Please put your name down today.

**Thursday 17 & 31, 10am Men's Coffee** at The Nest Café, IGA Hawks Nest  
Ph Andrew 0402 054 207

**Friday 18, 6pm for 6.30pm. 'Time Out'**  
*Are you or a loved one living with the challenges of Autism or other disabilities*  
TG Hotel: 2 course dinner \$25pp with guest speaker  
Enquiries & reservations Ph 4997 2554—must pre-book, child minding available  
Sponsored by Century 21 Coastal Properties. For more information see Gwen Adkins

**Saturday 26, Myall River Festival**  
Tea Gardens St Andrew's Stall  
All donations (crafts, handmade goods, gifts, cakes, jams, pickles, [all foods need ingredients on the outside of goods] bric-a-brac, lucky dips, etc) will be thankfully received.  
If you are donating to our Stall, please bring goods to St Andrew's on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> before 10am. If donating foods (cakes, biscuits, etc.) please bring to the Stall on the Saturday morning.  
More information see Margaret or Anne

## For your daily PRAYERS MISSIONS

**This week:** Parish Outreach - Op Shops and Aged Care  
**Next week:** Minnis family, Crossview

Our secular high schools are now promoting many ideologies that undermine the Christian faith.

A family in our church have a daughter in year 6 who is a keen Christian and a very good student, and has her heart set on commencing year 7 at Medowie Christian School in 2020. The family are currently going through difficult financial times but dearly want their daughter to be able to have a high school education in a Christian environment.

The parish council has been approached by a parishioner, who has generously offered to match every donation of church members, dollar for dollar. Parish council has agreed to contribute \$1000 toward this.

If you would like to help this young lady obtain a solid Christian education in high school, then please use one of the brown envelopes in the foyer for a one-off donation and mark it 'Medowie Fees'. Or transfer electronically to the account in this bulletin and insert "Medowie" in the appropriate field on your internet banking. Thank you and God bless you. Rev'd Peter

**BANKING DETAILS:** Enquiries Treasurer, Andrew Sillar We encourage regular manual bank deposit or monthly internet banking direct deposit to: **Anglican Parish of Bulahdelah Tea Gardens, BSB 705077, Account No. 00040525**

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## ACTIVITIES FOR 2019 Bible Studies & Prayer Groups

### St John's

**Fridays 9am for 9.30am** at Bea Weekes, Contact Maureen Guthrie-Horwill Ph 0414 183 808.

**Alternate Fridays 1:30pm KYB** at Bea Weekes. Contact Meryl Ph 0429 647 393

### St Andrew's

**Mondays KYB 4pm** at Melle's house  
Anyone wanting to grow in their faith & understanding are welcome. We're commencing a 5 week study on Prayers from the Bible on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October.  
See Jan Weightman Ph 4997 0621

**Thursdays 1.30pm** Prayer & Reflection at Bev Charman's Ph 4997 0648.

**Prayer Thursdays each week, 4pm,** St Andrew's see Gloria Ph 4997 1927

**Scripture at Tea Gardens school**

We are still looking for more teachers and helpers to join the team.

See Jan Weightman Ph 4997 0621.

### OP SHOP HOURS

**Bulahdelah—St John's**

Mondays 8.30am-1pm

Fridays 8.30am-3pm

**Karuah—St Columba's**

Thursdays-Saturdays- 8.30am-12.30pm

**Tea Gardens- St Andrew's**

Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays  
8.30am-12.30pm