



**Services – Sunday 20 June, 2021**

**Pentecost 4**

**9.30am** Five Dock – Rev Don Everhart

**Reading:** Philippians 1: 1-11

**Theme:** "Who Gives Thanks?"

We are glad to have you with us today in worship. It is our hope that you will not only learn more about God, but that you will encounter Him and experience His presence, love and grace for you.



**DIARY DATES**

**Monday 21 June** at 3pm

**Monday Bible Study** meets in the Church.

**Theme:** 'God is Love' **Reading:** John 4

**Annual Reports time**

The end of year is fast approaching and groups are reminded to begin work on their written report for the Annual Reports booklet. Deadline for these being received is Sunday 18 July. It would ease pressure if you are able to complete your report prior to this deadline. Reports should be emailed to Ruby Arthur.

**Meals on Wheels** roster for the remainder of the year is available today for members of the Meals on Wheels team.

**Thought for the Week**

**Tension** is a very real, and normal part of everyday life. Take a rubber band – it's made to tense and relax. Only under tension is it useful. Of course, if it's strained too much it snaps.

So with life. Tension can be a creative thing. We have the ability to face times of stress and strain and sometimes we do our best under stress. But we need times of relaxation and renewal. An old hymn has it –

*Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of Thy peace.*

**Prayer**

Lord, I confess I'm torn between asking for relief from tension and thanking you for it.

John Edmondstone

**'Love, Peace, Joy'**

*Love, peace, joy  
Stop, think it over  
Over again  
Love, peace, joy  
Stop, think it over  
Over my friend  
You can have these  
If you're born again  
My friend  
So, don't you try to  
hide any longer  
'Cause you need love  
You won't have to cry  
any longer  
'Cause you'll have love  
In your heart ...*



**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Chapter of Acts**  
from the (live) album "To the Bride" (1975)

**Fruits of the Spirit indicate a relationship with Christ.**

***"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law."***

Galatians 5: 22-23

Understanding that "fruit" in this verse can mean "deed, action, or result" helps make this verse more personal. The result or the work of the Spirit in a believer's life is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, gentleness, and self-control.

The "fruits of the Spirit" come from the Holy Spirit, imbued upon each person gaining faith in the saving knowledge of the salvation works of Jesus, the Christ. The Holy Spirit, Jesus and God are parts of the Godhead. Thus, the Holy Spirit is a gift from God, of His Spirit, to those believing what He says to be true.

adapted from **Quora:**

[quora.com/What-is-the-purpose-of-the-fruit-of-the-spirit](https://www.quora.com/What-is-the-purpose-of-the-fruit-of-the-spirit)