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Sunday 26th January, 2025

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Welcome

We come together to worship God.

Hervey Bay @ 9:30am Howard @ 9:30am Burrum Heads @ 7:30am

Morning teas are served following each of our services and you are most welcome to join us.

A gold coin donation is appreciated at Hervey bay to help with the additional cost of consumables

Lectionary Readings:

[Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10](#)

[Psalm 19](#)

[1 Corinthians 12:12-31a](#)

[Luke 4:14-21](#)



Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

[Jeremiah 1:4-10](#)

[Psalm 71:1-6](#)

[1 Corinthians 13:1-13](#)

[Luke 4:21-30](#)

**Sunday 26th preaching at Hervey Bay is Rev. Willem Smit
preaching at Howard is Coral Deeth**



CHRISTIAN RI

Giving children the opportunity to explore faith and values.

RI IS GREAT FOR OUR STATE

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Christian RI

As we move towards the start of the 2025 school year, we have an urgent need for volunteer RI instructors. Currently approximately 1400 children in our local area have parent consent to attend weekly RI classes in our area, but only 900 are receiving RI lessons due to a shortage of volunteer instructors.

RI is currently offered in some form, in only 5 of the 8 primary schools in our area due to a shortage of volunteer instructors.

30 minute RI lessons are usually presented weekly. Curriculum/Training and resources are provided. Prospective RI instructors must be endorsed by their Church leader, hold a current Blue Card and complete the required training.

RI Training Day-READY-SET-GO!

to be held on Friday 14th February 9am-12.30 at the Church of Christ 27 Neils St, Pialba.

Information flyers and form are available on the bench in the church foyer.

Uniting Church Hervey Bay
Hervey Bay, Burrum Heads & Howard

To grow in the love of God, to make disciples and to show His love in all we do

Our Vision:

With God's help,

We seek to grow our Congregation into an effective missional church that will engage with the community and beyond.

Through prayer and forming active and accountable disciples of Jesus, we seek to grow spiritually and numerically

Rev. Willem Smit's contact details

Email: minister@hbuc.org.au Phone: 0472 600 949

Rev. Willem's Day off is Monday

Whilst Willem may check messages and respond to urgent requests, please leave non-urgent matters for work days. Thank you.

Pastoral Care

For pastoral care contact the office on 07 4125 5233 if no one is there please leave a message and we will get back to you.

Prayer Chain

Shiree Royall 0417 171 020 or email shiree.tropix@gmail.com



Church Council
15th February 2025
Hervey Bay
10am



Presbytery Meeting
Bundaberg
15th March 2025

Church Contact

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Office Hours Tuesday-Friday 9am - 12pm

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Do you need prayer Today?

Please contact one of our Church Council Members
or your Pastoral Carer to pray with you.

Sunday's service livestreaming is back up and running 9:30 am on Sundays

Older services are available on our YouTube Channel.
You are welcome to check them out.

[Click here to go to our YouTube channel.](#) Please subscribe





8:30 – Arrival (Tea/
Coffee)
9:00 - Session 1
The nature and theology
of worship
10:00 – Discussion
10:30 – Morning Tea
11:00 – Session 2
The structure of worship
12:00 – Discussion
12:30 – Wrap up

- All Church councillors
- All those who lead worship and preach
- All those who are involved in worship on the roster (pianist, singers, Bible readers, prayers, PPT people, sound people etc.)
- Lay preachers in training

Anyone else who is interested.

You may wonder why all these people. Well, here's my answer:

Church councillors are responsible for what goes on in the church, including worship therefore they need to have a reasonable grounding in the theology and structure of worship - the why and how of worship. This also goes for all those involved in preaching, leading and other worship practices. I will be speaking to everyone involved. In order to be involved in the worship of the church it is helpful for everyone to be on the same page.

RSVP no later than the 5th of Feb so we will have enough resources.



**Gathered in Faith
to Pray Together**
**HERVEY BAY CHURCHES
UNITED IN PRAYER**
**Strength in Unity:
Praying as One**
Friday, 21st of February
1.30 – 2.30pm.
Held this month at
Nickenbah Baptist Church.
20 Nickenbah Dundowran Rd, Nickenbah

Volunteer and
change lives.
yours included.



Are you interested in Chaplaincy? **INFORMATION SESSION**

Pastoral Care Volunteer Opportunities

Do you have a heart for others?

Would you like to support people through empathy, listening and care in their time of need?

Come along to an information session with UnitingCare Queensland and find more about opportunities to serve in the community through pastoral care.

We will be sharing information and opportunities to serve across the areas of:

- Court Support
- Prison Chaplaincy
- Aged Care Chaplaincy
- Grief and Loss
- Compassion Companions
- Hospital Chaplaincy

Available

Date: Thursday 6th February 2025

Time: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Venue: Bluecare Community Centre
Hervey Bay

Address: 58 Exeter Street, Torquay

Hosted By

Pastor Jeff Howard

Manager of Mission and Pastoral Care

Pastor Jessie Sanders

State Manager Prison Ministry

Rev Colin Gordon

Manager Pastoral Care Public Hospitals

Register via email

Jeff - jeff.howard@ucareqld.com.au

0477 102 482

Jessie - jess.sanders@ucareqld.com.au

0419 243 525





Live life your way



GRIEF and LOSS

A 6 week Grief and Loss Program to help work through your grief.

Date: 4 Feb to 11 March 2025.

Time: 2pm to 4pm

Venue: Blue Care Community
58 Exeter St,
Torquay, Hervey Bay.

This is a free BlueCare Program. However, places are limited, and registration is essential.

For registration or more information
Phone Sharon Kirk 0448 115 227.



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Revival Prayer Meeting in recess
Remember to pray for Revival during your own personal prayer time.

THE CHURCH FAMILY LUNCHEON

Second Saturday for February



Donation: \$10.00

Enjoy lunch and good fellowship
No speaker this week

Saturday 8th February 2025 @ 11:30am



Hervey Bay Uniting Church 56 Exeter St Torquay QLD 4655



Your weekly tithes/offerings are an important part of worship as they help to pay for our Ministry Agent, maintenance and running costs like paper, power, rates, insurance, etc.

The church is not immune to rises in costs. Regular tithing keeps our heads above water. If you have not been attending church you can drop your offering at

the church Tuesday—Friday 9am to 12pm
 Or Giving can be banked directly into our ANZ Account

Bank Account: UCA Hervey Bay

BSB: 014010 Acct Number: 3868 52539

Please consider making a bequest in your Will to Hervey Bay Uniting Church.

Contact the office for details.

Thank you for your generous giving

Our Church Fostering community connection

External Groups meeting in the Hall in 2025

Zumba Every Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 5pm.

DSQ (Support Group) Every Second Tuesday 9am

Hervey Bay Cake Decorators Association 3rd Wednesday of the month 6pm

Bay Photograph Group 2nd and 4th Wednesday the month 6:30pm

External Groups who will be meeting in the Seminar Room in 2025

Toastmasters 2nd and 4th Monday the month

AA Women's Group Every Tuesday 11:15am

Al-Anon (Family and Friends of Problem drinkers) Every Tuesday 7pm

Alcoholics Anonymous Every Thursday 9:30am

Al-Anon (Family and Friends of Problem drinkers) Every Thursday 12:30pm

Our church is more than just a place of worship; it's a vibrant community hub where diverse groups come together to learn, grow, and support one another. Should you wish to explore any of the activities or support groups that meet within our welcoming space you are welcome to check them out. Whether you're looking to get active, enhance your skills, or find support, there's something for everyone:

Zumba: Get moving and have fun while exercising! This is for those who love to keep fit through dance.

Photography Club: Dive into the world of photography with like-minded enthusiasts. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced photographer, this group offers a chance to deepen your skills.

Toastmasters: Gain confidence in public speaking through engaging workshops designed to help you communicate effectively and comfortably. This can be a great deal of fun.

Cake Decorating Classes: Learn the art of cake decorating and impress your friends and family with your new skills.

Additionally, we host support groups like Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) and Al-Anon, providing a safe and supportive environment for those in need.

It is a blessing that we can provide a safe and welcoming space for many to enjoy.

Showing the love of God in all we do.

You could also consider joining one of our Church groups listed on the last page.



Join the Church Council: Make a Difference



Are you looking for a fulfilling way to contribute to your church community? Joining the Church Council might be the perfect opportunity for you! This is your chance to play a vital role in shaping the future of your church.

Why Consider Joining?

Being a part of the Church Council allows you to participate in key decision-making processes that guide the direction of the church. It's not just about leadership; it's also a wonderful way to serve your community, deepen your faith, and develop invaluable skills.

How to Get Involved:

Interested in taking up this rewarding role? Submit your nomination by the close of business on Thursday, February 27th. Nominations need to be in early to ensure they are displayed for two weeks before the meeting.

If you have any questions or wish to contribute to the agenda, don't hesitate to reach out to Julie Noble or contact the office. Your ideas and participation are crucial!

Don't miss this chance to make a significant impact. Prayerfully consider joining the Church Council today!

Reclaim your Kitchen Treasures.

The WOW girls have recently undertaken a thorough clean-up of the kitchen to ensure it is ready for a fresh start in 2025. During this process, several containers and trays that do not belong to the church were discovered. These items have been placed in a designated plastic tub in the kitchen.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has contributed their culinary delights and kitchenware to our community events. Your generosity has not gone unnoticed, and we now invite you to reclaim your beloved items.

Take a moment to visit the kitchen and check the tub for any familiar containers or trays. Let's start the new year with a clean slate and happy reunions with your long-lost kitchen companions. Here's to a clutter-free and organized 2025!

Monday

Prayer Group 8:30am (Contact Office 07 4125 5233)

M&M's (KYB)9:30 am Various homes (Contact Lynne Alexander 07 4194 2538)

Tuesday

Christian Meditation *St John's Anglican Church* 8:20am - 9.20 am
(Contact Sylvia Wright 0498 264 254)

WOW Lady's Fellowship - **Church Seminar Room** 9:30am
(Contact Thora on 0422 676 479) **School Terms**

KYB 'Know Your Bible' Hervey Bay - **Church Seminar Room** 2 pm
(Contact Lynn 0427 809 224) **return 11th February 2025**

Wednesdays

Wes's Bible Study - **Church Seminar Room** 9 am
(Contact Wes 0412 235 815)

Sewl Sisters advanced sewing, special projects. Church Patio Area 10am-2pm
(Contact office 4125 5233)

Midweek Prayer for revival- **Church Prayer Room** 5:00 - 5:30pm **School Terms**

Rev Willem's Bible Study - **Church Seminar Room** 6pm
(Contact Willem or the Office 4125 5233) **School Terms**

Thursday

Time for me Playgroup for families with preschool children.

Enjoy a drink and bikkie while the children play - **Church Hall** 9:30am—11.30am
(Contact Arlene 0447 359 288) **School Terms**

Friday

Oasis (Outreach) a place of calm in the middle of chaos. Join us for coffee, chat, activities, sewing, knitting, reading, making friends or just being yourself.

Bring a friend.

Church Patio Area - 10am to 2pm **Start back 7th February**
(Contacts Gwyn 41255242 or Office 4125 5233)

Saturday

Church Family Luncheon - **Church Hall** 11:30 am **1st Saturday in the Month**
unless otherwise advertised (Contact Wes 0412 235 815)

Sunday

Special Morning Tea Church **1st Sunday of the Month**— if you are able please bring a plate of food to share **Hervey Bay Church Hall** after service

Adult Fellowship first meeting 21st February

Please collect Stamps for 2025

All Ladies a welcome!

Come for fun fellowship and fundraising.

