

Sunday 6th October, 2024

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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 Reading:

Job 1:1; 2:1-10 Psalm 26 Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 Mark 10:2-16



Next Week's Lectionary Reading:

Job 23:1-9,16-17 Psalm 22:1-15 Hebrew 4:12-16 Mark 10:17-31

Rosters

We will soon be working on November, December, January and February rosters. So they can be done please put your details in the **RED BOOK** on the bench in the Hervey Bay Church foyer. Please record dates you are not available.



Preaching at Hervey Bay & Burrum Heads is Rev. Willem Smit Communion Service Readings are Acts 2:1-13, Acts 6:8-15, Acts 7:54-60, Acts 13:4-12 **Message:** Let's Act(s) – In the Power of the Holy Spirit Preaching at Howard is Rev. Allan Smith Communion Service **Readings are** Job 1:1; 2:1-10 Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 Mark 10:2-16 Message: God's tender touch

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

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 26th October **Hervey Bay** 11am



Presbytery Meeting 8-10 Nov 2024 Venue Campialba

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Office Hours Tuesday-Friday 9am - 12pm

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. Pease subscribe



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Spread Joy This Christmas



As the holiday season approaches, the spirit of giving and sharing becomes more important than ever. This year, in collaboration with UnitingCare, we are excited to launch our 2024 Christmas Hamper initiative. We are reaching out to you, our community, to help fill these hampers with essential pantry items and festive treats that will bring joy to those in need.

What Can You Donate?

Your contributions can make a significant difference.

Here are some of the items you can donate:

Pantry Staples: Canned fruits and vegetables, rice, pasta, baked beans, spaghetti, spreads, and cereals.

Festive Treats: Christmas fare to bring holiday cheer.

Gift Vouchers: Supermarket vouchers, or meat vouchers from the butcher, or veggie vouchers from the green grocer.

Your generosity will help create hampers that provide much-needed relief and happiness to families and individuals facing tough times.

Impactful Stories from Last Year

Last year's hamper recipients shared heartfelt messages of gratitude that highlight the profound impact of your donations:

Single Person Hamper

"Thank you, this hamper has picked me up when I am down and out. Just shows I'm not alone. Thank you."

Single Dad

"It has helped me by taking a little pressure off the next food shop. It means a lot to myself and my family, especially this time of the year. Every little bit counts. Thank you, it's much appreciated."

Family Hamper (Older Daughter Looking After Younger Siblings)

"As mum passed away with cancer earlier in 2023, Christmas can be such a hard and expensive time of the year. This has helped take a lot of pressure off us this year. Thank you so much! It means so much to our family."

Single Mum with 3 Children

"Very grateful to have this care and support. It has made a massive impact not only on myself, but my 3 children – going through this difficult DV situation. I am very overwhelmed with this kind gesture, and 3 weeks before Christmas. Thank you for your kindness and having this impact on my family."

These stories are a testament to the power of community support and the difference we can make together. How to Contribute

Please bring your donations to the Hervey Bay Uniting Church or contact us for more information on how you can get involved.

Together, we can spread joy and make this Christmas a little brighter for those in need.

Thank you for your generosity and compassion. Let's make the 2024 Christmas Hamper initiative a success and share the spirit of Christmas with everyone.





Join the Church Council and make a difference

Are you ready to contribute to your community in a meaningful way? Consider joining the Church Council! Karen Davison at Howard is due to re-nominate if she wishes to continue serving, but there are also other positions available for those who feel called to serve.

Why Join the Church Council?

Being part of the Church Council is a rewarding opportunity to help guide the direction of our church and to be involved in important decision-making processes. It's a chance to serve your community, grow in your faith, and develop leadership skills.

How to Nominate

If you are interested in being part of the Church Council, please submit your nomination by the close of business on Thursday, the 10th of October. Nominations need to be submitted in time to be displayed for two weeks before the meeting.

Get Involved

If you want to contribute to the agenda or have any questions, please reach out to Julie Noble or contact the office. Your input and participation are highly valued.

Don't miss this chance to make a difference in your community. Prayerfully consider joining the Church Council today!



Volunteer as a Religious Instruction (RI) Teacher

Are you passionate about making a difference in children's lives?

The Hervey Bay Ministers Association who coordinate RI in Hervey Bay are looking for dedicated volunteers to join their team as Religious Instruction (RI)

Teachers in 2025.

You don't have to be a qualified teacher, you just need a passion for God and his word.

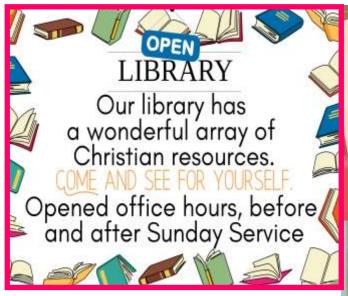
Why Volunteer?

Impactful Experience: Teaching religious instruction allows you to positively influence young minds, sharing valuable lessons and morals.

Full Support: You will receive comprehensive training, and lessons are pre-set, ensuring you feel confident and prepared.

Community Contribution: Volunteering as a teacher is a fantastic way to give back to your community and help shape the future generation.

For more information, please contact the Church office and we will help you on the way to volunteering in RI.



Hervey Bay UC Christmas with the Neighbours & Carols 14th December 2024

HB Christian Ministers Assoc. Christmas Carols (Seafront Oval) 7th December 2024

Volunteers will be needed at both events. Further details to follow in coming weeks





We are excited to announce the restart of our Monday Morning Prayer Meeting! Start your week with enthusiasm, positivity, and prayer every Monday at 8:30

Join together with our community to tackle the week ahead with a renewed spirit and

a positive mindset. Whether you have been part of our prayer meetings before or are new to the experience, everyone is welcome to participate.

How to Join:

Contact the office to put your name down and become a part of this uplifting start to the week.

We look forward to seeing you and sharing in the power of prayer together!



Acts 4:31

³¹ When they finished praying, the place where they were meeting was shaken. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to proclaim God's message with boldness.



Revival Prayer Meeting Wednesday 5:00pm

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 Ac-

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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.

Acts 20:35 In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

Offerings from All Congregations (Includes Direct Deposits) Average Weekly Target for Giving = \$3,776 \$4,500 \$4,000 \$3,500 \$3,000 \$2,000 \$1,500 01-Sep 08-Sep 15-Sep 22-Sep 29-Sep ■Weekly Offerings → Avge Weekly Target FROM 1 JULY 2024 Giving Target for 2025 Financial YTD Actual Giving for 2025 Financial YTD YTD Difference to Target Per Week Forecast End of Year Position \$ - 18,790.20

Thank you for your generous giving

Justice of the Peace (JP)

Between the hours of 11.00am to 1.00pm on Fridays when the Oasis Group is meeting, a JP will be available to sign documents.





Reaching hearts, changing lives.

If you are interested in Church

This is open to all Hervey Bay Uniting

Church Congregations and those attending the Oasis Group.

This is a trial to see the viability.

rhema.fm office@rhemawidebay.com





Monday

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) Break for school holidays 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)

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 recess School holidays (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)

<u>Sunday</u>

Special Morning Tea Church - Hervey Bay Church Hall after service

1st Sunday of the Month— if you are able please bring a plate to share

Join a group. As it says in Ephesians 5:30

'because we are members of his body.'

Adult Fellowship

October 18th 2024

Church Seminar Room

All Ladies
Welcome to come along.

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Used Stamps, please leave a border on them and Recipes please