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Differently now!

Sunday 11th August, 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:
2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33
Psalm 130
Ephesians 4:25-5:2
John 6:35, 41-51



Next Week's Lectionary Reading:

[1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14](#)
[Psalm 111](#)
[Ephesians 5:15-20](#)
[John 6:51-58](#)

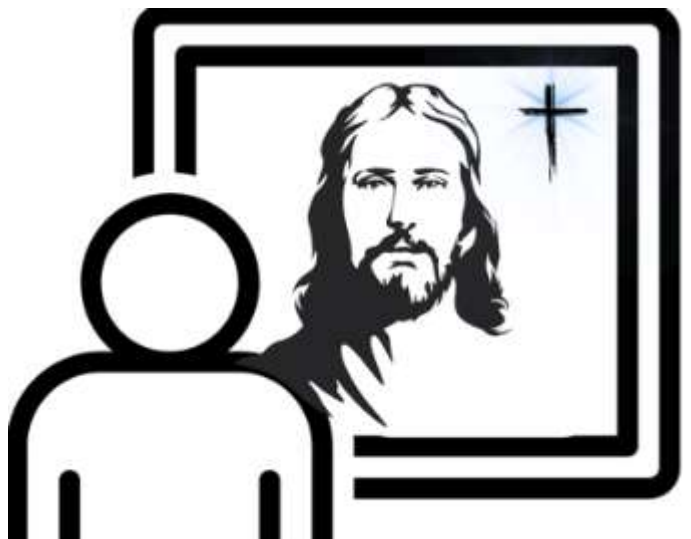


BlueCare Sunday—We the Church

Message: **Rev. Craig Holmes**
Hervey Bay 9:30

Howard 9:30

Be Imitators of God
Message: **Norma Doyle**



Revival Prayer Meeting Wednesday 5:00pm

Preaching at Hervey Bay is **Rev. Craig Holmes**

Readings is: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 **Message:** We, the Church – Blue Care Sunday
Preaching at Howard is **Norma Doyle**

Readings are Ephesians **4.25-5.2** and John 6.35; 6.41-51 **Message:** Be Imitators of God .

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
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.](#) Please subscribe





UPDATE FROM TREASURER

Been a busy time of late with transition to new finance system, to BookKeeping Services and end of the financial year under old practices. But this is to give you an update on our end of financial year position and the way ahead.

End of 2024 Financial Year :

Hervey Bay Uniting Church

A significant amount of property related work has been completed in the 2024 financial year which has been possible due to bequest money received, Mission Development Funds (MDF) withdrawn and investment money withdrawn. Such work includes new audio system, front steps and restumping of hall at Howard UC and for Hervey Bay UC it includes new shading for playground, concreting in driveway, security screens, external awning near OASIS room, dishwasher, concreting to extend the carpark, additional electrical and plumbing work following construction of the new shed at our manse at 22 Kent St, Urangan. After adjustments to the Income and Expenses reporting in consideration of additional funds sourced, the end of year position for the Hervey Bay Uniting Church is \$344.55 surplus – virtually on budget. Other factors that have contributed to this include increase in offerings from Sunday Services and in Direct Deposit offerings.

Dan Dinna House

On budget after balance in the Dan Dinna House bank account transferred to Hervey Bay UC account following closure of the Dan Dinna House account.

Our financial records for the 2024 financial year have been audited and received successful outcome with comment on how well the financial records had been managed.

The Way Ahead:

From 1 July 2024, all payments made and money received are in the Hervey Bay Uniting Church bank account and recorded in a single financial system. The system is Xero with Hervey Bay UC now joining 26 other congregations of 30 in the Mary Burnett Presbytery using the system. The system is similar to MYOB but more modern navigation around the system. With need for limited access to the system for the transactions we are doing, training needed has been minimal. We learn more as we go!

BookKeeping Services at the UCA Queensland Synod is now managing our bookkeeping activity in entry of data into the Xero system, monthly reconciliation of financial records, quarterly business activity statements or BAS to ATO, assistance with reporting and budget development. Most importantly, there is now a support group to help with any Xero

questions we may have that wasn't available in MYOB. As I am in transition with this new practice, procedures are still being worked out but are going well as we enter the 2nd month of the 2025 financial. The main financial activity continued for Hervey Bay UC is the scanning and emailing on invoices to BookKeeping Services for their entry into Xero then internet banking to actually pay those invoices. The position description of Treasurer has now been significantly reduced in duties because of this, which is great!

So, it is, for now, continuing to become familiar with the new finance system and processes as the 2025 financial year progresses.

Thank you for your support in the years that I have been elected as the Treasurer for this congregation. It, at times, has been very challenging. I am going to take 3 months off starting from Thursday 8 August, with a minor foot operation after that then some much look-forward too tripping around the place with our van. Lorraine Pryor will again be looking after what needs to be done during my absence.

Bless you and, again, thank you for your ongoing support.

Gail Grimsey Treasurer

Volunteer Position Vacant Hervey Bay Uniting Church Data Entry / Data Operation

We find that we need to have more people to help with the preparation of services and running the PowerPoint at Hervey Bay

**If you have intermediate PowerPoint skills
this could be right for you.**

For more details contact the office
admin@hbuc.org.au or **4125 5233**

CAN YOU HOLD A TUNE?

WE ARE SEEKING WORSHIP LEADERS

Practice held at
5:00pm on Thursdays

Need to be at
Church Sundays by 9:15am

COME AN JOIN THE WORSHIP SINGERS FEMALE AND MALE VOICES WELCOME

FREE CHRISTIAN COUNSELLING:

As part of my graduate training in Christian counselling I am looking for three new clients to provide five free 50-minute counselling sessions.

So, if you have a mild - moderate area of mental or emotional health concern (eg. anxiety or depression) and you would like to explore this from a Christian perspective, then, please email me at craigallan924@gmail.com and we can chat further.

Just to reiterate, in this capacity, I am a student counsellor looking for new clients and welcome helping out in anyway that I can.

Every blessing, Craig
Rev. Craig Allan (BlueCare Chaplain Hervey Bay)

Prayerfully consider becoming our Pastoral Care Co - Ordinator

Hervey Bay Uniting Church is in need of a new Pastoral Care Co-Ordinator. The role of our Pastoral Care Co-Ordinator is to oversee the pastoral care of our church members (attending and no longer able to attend services) through our Pastoral Carer Team.

Our Co-Ordinator will be in regular contact with our Pastoral Carer Team through phone calls, face-to-face catchup and regular meetings with the Team to discuss concerns or issues of the Team.

Our Co-Ordinator also provides a report to the Church Council at scheduled meetings on the activity of the Team or special support that may be needed from the Church Council to further the Pastoral Care of our church members.

Each member of the Pastoral Care Team has been assigned a number of our church members, usually close to their residential area, who they are asked to be in touch with regularly to see how that person is going, call in for a short visit to have a chat and share a prayer or passage from the Scriptures and to meet with other Carers on a regular basis for their own spiritual well-being and to discuss any concerns they have about one of their people.

Please pray about whether you are able to take on this critical position within our congregation. For any further information, please talk with Coral Deeth who has recently stepped down from this role.

Pastoral Carers needed if you feel you have a calling for this please contact our

previous Pastoral Care Co-Ordinators either Coral Deeth or Lorrelle Dimmick who will talk to you about it.

New date for next market
The next market will now be on Saturday
24th August

Due to a restructuring of BlueCare Chaplaincy services, we need additional pastoral carers at Masters Lodge. This is certainly an extremely meaningful, at times challenging and definitely rewarding ministry to a group of people who are very close to God's heart.

If you would like further information about possible opportunities and training, please either phone me on 0448 412 661 or email me at C.Allan1@bluecare.org.au

Blessings, Craig (Rev Craig Allan, BlueCare Hervey Bay).



CELEBRATE WITH US

**Oasis 2nd Birthday
Mad Hatters Tea Party
16th August @ 11am**

**Prize for Maddest
MAD HAT**

Oasis Hub, 56 Exeter St Torquay

The illustration shows a three-tiered silver cake stand with a green top hat on top. The top tier has two small cakes with red cherries. The middle tier has three round cakes. The bottom tier has a stack of colorful striped cakes. In front of the stand is a white teapot with a black and red logo, and two white teacups with saucers on a wooden tray. There are also small purple and white containers on the tray.

Squares into Blankets

We have wonderful knitters who have so diligently knitted blankets that go to the women's shelter, homeless etc.

Now we are looking for people to crochet them together to make them into blankets. Please contact the office or speak to Betty McCoy for further details.



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.

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.'

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.

This is open to all Hervey Bay Uniting Church Congregations and those attending the Oasis Group.

This is a trial to see the viability.

If you are interested in Church membership or are wondering about your membership status please contact the office. If you want to volunteer contact the office.



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*)

Wednesday

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*)

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

Rev Willem's Bible Study - **Church Seminar Room** 6pm
(*contact Willem or the Office*) **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 (*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 - 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

August 16th 2024
Church Seminar Room
All Ladies
Welcome
to come along.



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