

## Sunday 28th April, 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: <u>Acts 8:26-40</u> <u>Psalm 22:25-31</u> <u>1 John 4:7-21</u> John 15:1-8



Next Week's Lectionary Reading: <u>Acts 10:44-48</u> <u>Psalm 98</u> <u>1 John 5:1-6</u> John 15:9-17

Prayerfully consider becoming our Pastoral Care Co-Ordinator

Our Hervey Bay Uniting Church is in need of a new Pastoral Care Co-Ordinator.

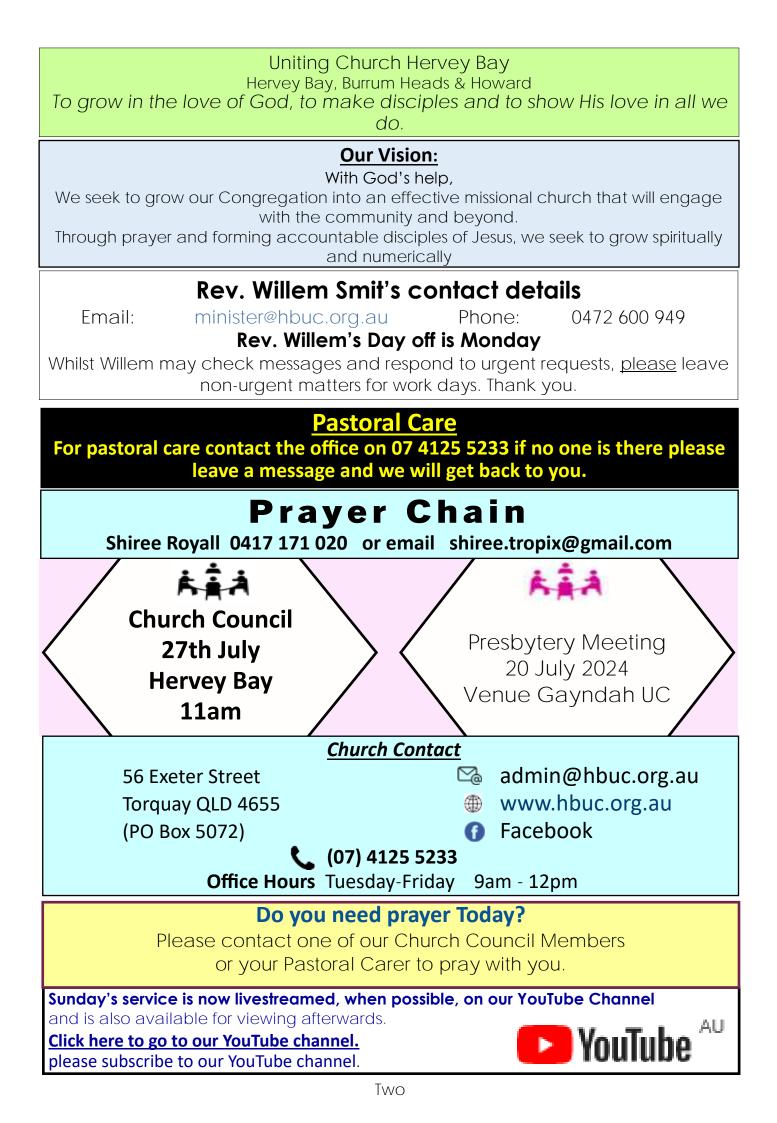
The role of our Pastoral Care Co-ordinator is to oversee the pastoral care of our church members (attending and no-longer able to attend services) through our Pastoral Carer Team. Our Co-Ordinator will be in regular contact with our Pastoral Carer Team through phone calls, face-to-face catchup and regular 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.

Preaching at Hervey Bay is Rev Wes Furness Readings are Luke 7: 36-50 Ephesians: 1:4-8 **Message**: Forgiveness How It Works Preaching at Howard is Rev. Willem Smit Reading is John 15:1-8 Message: How do we glorify God? (Part 1)



# **Church Council Round Up**

20th of April 2024 Church Council meet at Hervey Bay. The meeting was opened and devotional and opening prayer was given by Paddy Walker.

The following is a lowdown on the meeting.

Karen Davison from Howard will continue on as Minute Secretary.

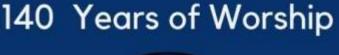
- We had a proposal submitted asking us to update the Vision Statement for the church. This proposal was accepted and now the vision statement will read: **'With**
- Gods help we seek to grow our Congregation into an effective missional church that will engage with the community and beyond. Through prayer and forming active **and accountable disciples of Jesus, we seek to grow spiritually and numerically.**'
- Protocols regarding funerals to be drafted for next CC meeting.
- Approval for a baptism on the 26/05/2024 of Zenon Majeski
- We will be having a service on 19th May to welcome new members and members by transfer to the congregation.
- We will be conducting fire and safety training. Fire training is required ever 12 months. In light of what has been happening in Sydney we also need to focus on maintaining a safe environment in the light of threats of all types.
- Pastoral care roll is to be audited and this task will be taken on by Thora Nolan.
- Compassion meals after a long discussion we shall not be continuing with this ministry. This is as sad but be need to remember Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 there is a time for everything and after consideration this time had to and end.
- We will be upgrading livestreaming equipment will be using some of the money we have invested that came from a bequest.
- U3A a group who hire Howard hall is seeking approval for air conditioners in the hall. Due to the extra power that they uses we will be advising them that the extra running cost will be at Continued on page 6

## Wednesday Morning Bible Study

The Wednesday Morning Bible Study is beginning with a new study The Sermon on the Mount

Anyone is welcome to come and join with us in the Seminar Room Wednesdays at 9:00 to 10:15

Hervey Bay Uniting Church





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### Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Training

We deliver a robust and evidence based program which focuses upon educating people about suicide, challenging attitudes and teaching basic engagement and engagement and suicide intervention skills.

Participants will have increased confidence in their ability to identify people who may be at risk of suicide, communicate appropriately with a suicidal person, ask a person if they are considering suicide and conduct a suicide intervention.

Participants will learn:

- Awareness of the requirements for classification of a death as suicide
- Knowledge of the occurrence and demographics of suicide in Australia
- Be able to identify risk and protective factors
- Differentiate between risk factors and warning signs
- Capability to be able to implement the SALT suicide intervention strategy
- Identify national and local suicide prevention resources

"The workshop was so beneficial for me personally and professionally. It was presented with genuine authenticity and care towards everyone attending ( will be recommending the training to my colleagues." Recent Participant

Date & Time: Tuesday, 11 June 2024,

9:00 am - 1:00 pm AEST

Location: Hervey Bay RSL, 11 Torquay Road, Pialba, QLD 4655

Register with this link: Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Half Day Workshop - Hervey Bay, QLD Tickets, Tue 11/06/2024 at 9:00 am | Eventbrite

Email LifeForce@wesleymission.org.au or call Glen Wallwork at 0439 050 559 for more information

This program is accredited with Quality Innovation Performance Limited (QIP), assessed against the Suicide Prevention Australia Standards for Quality Improvement.





Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Program gratefully acknowledges the funding provided by the Australian Government

> Do all the good you can because every life matters

## Visitations 2024

Rev. Willem Smit would like to pay you a visit during the next year. For some, this will be a second or even a third visit, for others it may be a first visit. The visit can occur in your home, but if you are not comfortable with that, we can arrange the visit to take place in a public space (at one of the church buildings or in a coffee shop in town) where you will feel comfortable.

What should you do if you want a visit?

Please ensure that your contact information is up to date at the Church Office. Louise Crittenden our Office Secretary will contact you for a visit, but only if she has your correct number. Visitations will mostly be arranged for Thursdays (because on Monday the minister has his day off, on Tuesday he prepares for the Sunday Service and Wednesday he prepares for Bible Study).

Donation of Goods for Market Days or Church Use

While your donation of items is appreciated, storage of such items, whether it be for future market day or because you think the church may be able to use the item, is very limited and, at times, is blocking use of a church storage room as the regular users of that storage room are not able to easily get to items they need for their group's meeting.

So, we ask that, if you are considering donating some item to the church for market day or that you no longer require yourself but think the church has a need for it, please contact our Adult Fellowship group, Glenys Keen or Francie Cadman, before donating items for future market days or our Property Officer, John Grimsey, if you are wanting to donate an item you no longer have need for. This way, there can be some order in storage of such goods and where they may be kept.

Please also note that NO ELECTRICAL ITEMS can be donated for market day or church use as we are required to arrange for a 'test and tag' by certified electrician before selling them on and we are unable to bear the estimated cost of call out for an electrician for that purpose.

Next Market Day is 18th May 2024



## **Church Rosters for May to July 2024**

The roster for the period May to July 2024 will soon be developed and we are looking for volunteers to help with the various duties each Sunday.

There are several lists on clipboards on the bench in our church foyer for you to write down your name, phone number and email address if you would like to volunteer for any duties during that 3 month period.

### Even if you haven't been on a roster before but would like to be,

put your name down.

## If you are unavailable please put your name in the RED BOOK

If it is for morning teas or welcomers, you will have others with you on the day to let you know what you need to do to help.

Last Sunday to write your name on the lists is 28<sup>th</sup> April so that the roster can be drafted then distributed well before the 5th May 2024 service.

If you have any questions about rosters, please contact

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

#### Church Council lowdown from page 3

- their expense. This group is also wanting to put up a garden shed for this to be done they will have to pay all associate costs.
- We will be asking for someone to step up and become Pastoral Care Co-ordinator. This will be advertised in the UC
- Christi-Mari Smit was nominated to take on Worship Co-ordinator and she accepted the nomination.
- Thora will be following up funeral and baptism anniversaries.
- Church protocols were discussed and some changes need to be made to them before they are posted on the notice board.
- It was approved that as a JP that Patricia Walker will hold JP Clinic for any Church members and those attending Oasis on Fridays when Oasis Outreach is running. The time that she will be available for signing documents will be 11am to 1pm
- Next meeting set for 27th July 2024 at Hervey Bay

Meeting closed in Prayer.



Enrolment forms are available from The Office

Course will be on either 18th or 25th May depending on which date is available. New Beginnings Stall at next market Donations for this stall go to Arlene

Please only things need to be in immaculate condition in order to sell onwards.

Thankyou in anticipation.

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Arlene

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 <u>Giving can be banked directly into our ANZ Account</u>

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

### Support The Hervey Bay Chaplains

Watch an uplifting movie and at the same time support Chaplaincy. Enjoy the movie knowing that you are helping. How hard is that?

Based on a remarkable true story, ORDI-NARY ANGELS centers on Sharon Stevens (Hilary Swank), a fierce but struggling hairdresser in small-town Kentucky who discovers a renewed sense of purpose when she meets Ed Schmitt (Alan Ritchson), a widower working hard to make ends meet for his two daughters. With his youngest daughter waiting for a liver transplant, Sharon sets her mind to helping the family and will move mountains to do it. What unfolds is the inspiring tale of faith, everyday miracles, and ordinary angels.



### Monday

Wearning Prayer - Church Seminar Room 8:30 - 9:00am (in recess)

Scheduled 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)

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)

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

### 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)

### 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)

Join a group. As it says in Ephesians 5:30 'because we are members of his body.'

## **Adult Fellowship**

May 17<sup>th</sup> 9:00am **Church Seminar Room** All Ladies Welcome to come along.



**Used Stamps** and Recipes please