



**Uniting Church
in Australia**

Uniting in Christ
acting with love
living with hope
witnessing in faith
working for justice

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Our Vision

“Making Christ Visible”

SERVICES SUNDAY 6th March

9.00am St. Stephen's Church - Rev Delma

7.00pm UCA Tiaro Hall - Rev Delma

READINGS: Deut 26:1-11 Ps 91:1-2, 9-16
Rom 10:8b-13 Lk 4:1-13

SERVICE SUNDAY 13th March

9.00am St. Stephen's Church – Rev Delma

2.00pm Bauple Home Group

READINGS: Gen 15:1-12, Ps 27
17-18
Phil 3:17 - 4:1 Lk 13:31-35
or Lk 9:28-36

SERVICES SUNDAY 20th March

9.00am St. Stephen's Church - - Rev Delma

7.00pm UCA Tiaro Hall - - Rev Delma

READINGS: Is 55:1-9 Ps 63:1-8
1 Cor 10:1-13 Lk 13:1-9

SERVICE SUNDAY 27th March

9.00am St. Stephen's Church - Rev Delma

READINGS: Jos 5:9-12 Ps 32
2 Cor 5:16-21 Lk 15:1-3, 11b-32

SIMPLY ALL AGE WORSHIP 6pm.

Wesley Auditorium.

Minister's Message



Dear Friends

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” (Matthew 11:28-30 NRSV)

As I write this, it is raining, and predictions are that the rain will continue, and we may have our second flood event in under two months. To add to that, Russia is invading Ukraine and locally our hospital has over thirty patients and staff who have been infected with COVID. This year we have endured mandatory mask wearing since 2 January but on a lighter note, we could stop using the Check-in Qld app for church from 7 February and we will no longer need to wear masks from 6pm 4 March except in vulnerable places like hospitals and aged care homes. For some of us we may also be feeling burdened as we may have lost a loved one or been impacted by a health diagnosis, including loved ones or ourselves being infected by COVID. We may be struggling with our finances, or we may know people who have lost much in our January major flood.

With all that is happening around us we may be feeling weary and that we are carrying heavy burdens and wondering when the world will return to normal. Our world may be everchanging and some have likened it to quicksand but through all of this we can cling to the knowledge that Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever. We can put our faith in Jesus and find rest for our souls in him. Jesus

Minister's Message Cont'd

gives love, peace, and healing now, and one day eternal life and joyful unity with him.

If you are feeling overwhelmed with what is happening all around you, maybe it is time to stop and be still. For it is in those still, quiet moments of life that we will feel nearer to God. It might be when you sit quietly and tune into your breathing, or when you pray, or when you read the Bible or when you sit in nature and enjoy all the beauty that God has created. My household has been blessed with the nesting Spotted Doves where there were two eggs that hatched, but as sometimes happens in nature where it is survival of the fittest there was only one who grew to the stage of flying away out into the world. Sometimes we may miss these small seemingly insignificant things in life if we get lost in the bigger things that are happening around us.

May we in this everchanging world open our arms to Jesus who loves us, protects us, and gives us rest for our souls. Breathe in the love of Jesus and feel his everlasting presence surround you. If you are feeling overwhelmed or burdened, please contact your pastoral carer or me for a chat.

God bless

Rev Delma

WEEKLY PRAYER

Loving God,

God of our Past, we know that you are a God who has faithfully supported your people through times of trials and tribulations, through the oppression of people and the devastation of great floods. May we be reminded of those who faithfully went before us in your name and who offer us the examples of your faithfulness in their lives.

God of our Present, as we travel through the trials of our current time, the devastation of the Islands of Tonga, the threats of violence between Russia and Ukraine, and the ongoing situation of the Covid pandemic. Help us to reach out to all people with the compassion and love that you showed us through your son Jesus Christ.

God of our future, as we contemplate the uncertainty of the future remind us that you call your church to be a people of hope, pointing always to you the God who stood by the people of the past, who walks with us now in our time of need and who promises to be with us into our future. May we demonstrate that hope in the way we share our love of you and demonstrate how we love our neighbour. Remind us once more of the promises that you have made through Christ that you will be with us to the end of the age.

We pray this in Christ's name, Amen.

Andrew Gunton
Moderator

If you would like to direct deposit,
the details are:

Branch: **BSB 014010**

Account: **Uniting Church Maryborough**

Account number: **3873 956 67**

*Thank you for prayerfully considering these
options to support the work of the Church*



Exploring Our Faith and Discipleship

Our Lenten Bible Study, UnitingWorld's 'Finding Jesus in the Stranger,' will be held over 5 Fridays, commencing at 9:30am in the Wesley Auditorium.

There is no cost and light refreshments will be provided.

If you would like to know more, please contact Rev Delma on 0428 598 309 or just turn up on the weeks that suit you.

The sessions will explore the following:

11 th March	In His Own Strange Way? Jesus the Other
18 th March	When Enemies Become Friends
25 th March	The Good Samaritan? The Cultural and Religious Other
1 st April	On Hospitality
8 th April	Who Would Jesus Exclude?



Zonta International Women's Day High Tea Maryborough RSL, March 6th

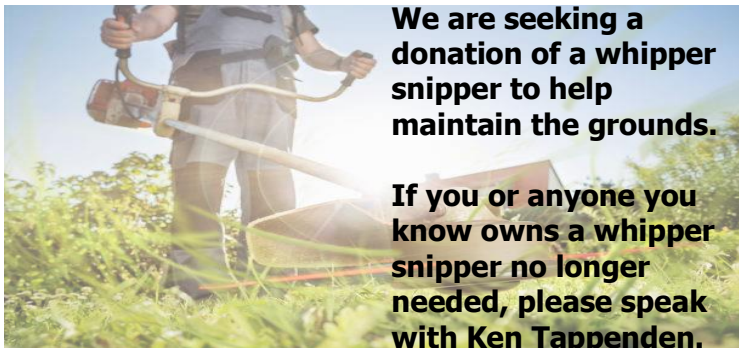
1.30pm for a @ 2pm start.

\$35.00pp

Tickets available from Anne's Irresistible Lingerie

Guest speaker Diane Carter, a self-described "survivor and thriver", whose life of 'gusty' determination has served her across 4 continents, helped her through vast wildernesses and afforded her resilience against political persecution.

Be inspired by Diane's incredible story this International Women's Day.



We are seeking a donation of a whipper snipper to help maintain the grounds.

If you or anyone you know owns a whipper snipper no longer needed, please speak with Ken Tappenden.

You're Invited!
Commencing
March 3rd from 9am – 11am
it's

OPEN CHURCH WITH MUSIC
at
St. Paul's Anglican church

(Continuing every 1st Thursday of each month)



BAKELESS CAKE SALE

A bit of news we have today,
A Bakeless Cake Sale is on the way.
These busy days who has the time to bake,
Pies, cookies or even a Cake?

We've thought of a plan that's truly grand,
And feel quite sure that you'll understand.
In an envelope, please place the price
Of a pie, or a cake, or something nice.

No fuss or bother, you've done your part
This is the end of our little tale,
Please help make a success of our,
BAKELESS CAKE SALE!

What To Do with Your Bakeless Cake Sale Envelope

In person:

To Dawn
Jenkinson

In church:

Add it to the
collection plate

Via post:

PO Box 1066,
Maryborough

All proceeds go towards our church and Wesley Auditorium.

For more information contact Dawn Jenkinson on
0427 654 119

On behalf of Maryborough Adult Fellowship_ THANK YOU!

BAKELESS BAKE SALE



Date Claimers March 2022

	Tuesday 1st @ 6.00am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 1st @ 4.00pm Girls Brigade. Wesley Auditorium Cadets 4.00pm – 5.30pm. Upper Section 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.
	Thursday 3rd @ 10.30am Fairhaven Church Service (if planning to attend please contact Rev Delma – re numbers for COVID)
	Tuesday 8th @ 6.00am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 8th @ 4.00pm Girls Brigade. Wesley Auditorium Cadets 4.00pm – 5.30pm. Upper Section 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.
	Tuesday 15th @ 6.00am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 15th @ 9.30am BOOKS 'N COFFEE_ Wesley Auditorium <i>Introducing Coffee 'n Books, our newly renamed book club. Join us every 3rd Tuesday for a chat, a cuppa and to share discussions on the books we've read or are reading.</i> Want to attend but can't make it on Tuesdays? Let us know! Still not sure...? Talk to Dawn Greenhalgh, Marie Gilmore, Ros Martin or Diana Collins for more information.
	Tuesday 15th @ 4.00pm Girls Brigade. Wesley Auditorium Cadets 4.00pm – 5.30pm. Upper Section 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.
	Thursday 17th @ 9am Petrie Gardens Worship (Tiaro)
	Thursday 17th @ 3pm Chelsea Church Service
	Monday 21st @ 5.30pm Management Committee Meeting _ St Stephens church
LEADERS 	Monday 21st @ 7.30pm Girls Brigade Leaders Meeting _ Wesley Auditorium
	Tuesday 22nd @ 6.00am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 22nd @ 4.00pm Girls Brigade. Wesley Auditorium Cadets 4.00pm – 5.30pm. Upper Section 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.
	Saturday 26th @ 9.00am FUN, FRIENDSHIP, FOOD at our Fellowship Morning Tea @ Homewares from Everywhere. RSVP by 20th March. Contact Diana Collins_ ph.: 4121 3870 or email: dscollins2@bigpond.com
	Tuesday 29th @ 6.00am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 29th @ 4.00pm Girls Brigade. Wesley Auditorium Cadets 4.00pm – 5.30pm. Upper Section 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.
EASTER SERVICES IN APRIL	
	15 April @ 8am at St Stephens Church @ 10am at Tiaro Hall
	17 April @ 9am at St Stephens Church.