



Uniting Church in Australia

Maryborough Parish

Maryborough, Tiaro & Bauple Congregations

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Making Christ Visible

September '23

SERVICES SUNDAY 3rd September

9.00am St. Stephen's Church - Rev Delma

7.00pm UCA Tiaro Hall - Rev Delma

READINGS: Ex 3:1-15 Ps 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b
Rom 12:9-21 Mt 18:21-28

SERVICES SUNDAY 10th September

9.00am St. Stephen's Church - Dawn Jenkinson

2.00pm Bauple Home Group –

6.00pm **SIMPLY WORSHIP**, Wesley Auditorium

'Let justice and peace flow'

READINGS: Ex 12:1-14 Ps 149
Rom 13:8-14 Mt 18:15-20

SERVICES SUNDAY 17th September

9.00am St. Stephen's Church - Rev Delma

7.00pm UCA Tiaro Hall - Rev Delma

READINGS: Ex 14:19-31 Ps 114 or Ex 15:, 1b-11, 20-21
Rom 14:1-12 Mt 18:21-35

SERVICES SUNDAY 24th September

9.00am St. Stephen's Church – Rev Delma

READINGS: Ex 16:2-15 Ps 105:1-6, 37-45
Phil 1:21-30 Mt 20:1-16

Do you have a notice to share?

Submissions for
inclusion in the October
Bulletin end 27/9/23



Minister's Message



Dear Friends

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord and not for people. Remember that the Lord will give you as a reward what he has kept for his people. For Christ is the real Master you serve. (Colossians 3:23-24 GNT)

What a special milestone 70 years is for BlueCare to celebrate. It began on 24 August 1953 with one nurse, Sister Olive Crombie, working out of West End Methodist Mission in South Brisbane. She started with no transport except trams and only 3 weeks' pay guaranteed. What a faith that God would provide. By the end of 1953, one thousand patients had been visited and Blue Nursing had grown to a 24-hour, 7-days-a-week service with additional part-time nurses assisting Olive. From small beginnings this organisation has grown across the state and into the Northern Territory, with today having 8,595 employees that includes registered nurses, personal carers, allied health professionals, disability support workers, hospitality, and customer service officers. In 1999 the name changed to BlueCare and became part of UnitingCare Qld.

The Blue Nursing Service began in Maryborough over 60 years ago on 11 February 1963. Sister Joyce Walker, the very first Sister-in-charge, at its inauguration said: *'I believe that God has opened a door for service here, and I merely say 'Here I am Lord.' I trust that I will be able to serve you as well as I serve my Master.'* This organisation was built by Christians who had a passion and a belief that they were doing God's mission in their local communities. They worked hard with all their heart for the Lord and their labour bore much fruit. With all the challenges that they encountered they didn't waver from their mission of nurses providing support to older people in their homes. At celebrations such as these, there are many stories to celebrate, the employees who faithfully cared for those in need and the volunteers who worked tirelessly to raise funds and be part of committees that supported the service. So many unsung heroes who felt called to dedicate themselves to such a wonderful vision.

Let us give thanks and praise to all who have been involved in the BlueCare story in whatever shape and form as without you there wouldn't have been such flourishing of the organisation and it continues to be part of God's story still today.

God bless
Rev Delma



Lifeline Farmer to Farmer Crisis Support
... just a phone call away on 1800 936 229

Lifeline's Farmer Crisis Support line is for farmers, their families and anyone who may be experiencing the pressures of life on the farm. The life of a farmer can be rewarding; however, it is not without its share of challenges. From isolation to difficult weather conditions, there are many experiences that can take a toll on mental health and wellbeing. For some, it can all start to feel a little overwhelming. This support line is for farmers by farmers. That means you'll speak to a fellow farmer who understands what you're going through. The Lifeline farmer can provide a listening ear, talk on farmers' terms, and suggest some simple strategies to help manage the stress.

If you or someone you know is doing it a bit tough, don't go it alone. Call Lifeline Farmer to Farmer on 1800 936 229.



BLUE NURSING CENTRE FORMED

"I believe that God has opened a door for service here, and I merely say 'Here I am, Lord, use me,'" said Sister J. Walker, Sister-in-Charge of the Blue Nursing Service in Maryborough, as she spoke to the Rev. R. Woodgate, Director of the service last night.

Circa 1963: BLUE NURSING CENTRE FORMED

The circumstances of the inauguration of the Blue Nursing Service in the Council Chambers last night were, according to Mr HJ Davies, unique.

"On the platform tonight" he said "are three people who have spent many years of their lives giving Christian service to people who need help more than we do."

He recounted that the Rev. R Woodgate, Director of the Maryborough centre had spent 13 1/2 years among the natives of Tonga; the Director-General, the Rev. W Lutton, 14 years in New Britain; Sister J Walker had served for many years among the backward hill tribes of New Guinea.

Mr Lutton said that Sister Walker was one of the first nurses to go back to New Guinea after the cessation of hostilities.

"It would be impossible for me" he declared, "to paint the verbal picture of the conditions under which these girls worked. Florence Nightingale in the Crimea had nothing in common with these conditions. We called the places hospitals, but you wouldn't keep pigs in them."

Mr Lutton recommended Colin Simpson's *Islands Of Men* for the testimony of an independent authority on the value and scope of Sister Walker's work. He added "Her tenderness, devotion and professional ability will now be showered on patients in their own homes and I am sure that, as she goes among her charges, they will see in her the image of God."

"I trust that I will be able to serve you well as I serve my Master" she told the 150 people who overflowed the city Council Chambers.

The Director-General of Queensland Blue Nursing services, the Rev. W Lutton said that the Maryborough centre was the twelfth to be opened in 10 years.

The Blue Nursing Service was originally launched with one nursing sister, no car, very little money and a lot of faith.

MUCAF would like to acknowledge the generous anonymous donation of \$50 towards the purchase of the new urn they recently received.



**URGENT
YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**

We now have vacancies on our cleaning team for one or two volunteers who can regularly spare 1 hour a month to help with cleaning of the church. Dates and times can be negotiated to suit the volunteer.

Please talk to Diana Collins (phone 0407382783) for details and to indicate your availability.



**Memory Support
Cafe**

Wednesday
13th September from
11:30am

UCA Maryborough
Auditorium

21 Sussex St,
Maryborough QLD
Off street parking at rear, off John St

For more information,
please contact Corryn on
0438 511 681 / 4120 2700

SAVE THE DATE

REJOICE * PRAISE * SING

*November
Noel*

Saturday 25th November from 6pm

UCA Maryborough Parish
(St Stephens Church)
21-25 Sussex St



Our Church is a drop off point for your cans and plastic bottles as we are already registered to receive 10c an item.

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

BONZA BOOK SALE

With Thanks to all who volunteered,
donated and, indeed, those who came and
spent, the Bonza Book Sale fundraised

\$840.00



**SAFEMINISTRY
with children**



Date Claimers Month 2023

BREAKFAST MINISTRY	Tuesday 5th @ 6.00am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 5th @ 9.30am "Chatty Tuesdays" . Wesley Auditorium.
GIRLS BRIGADE 	Tuesday 5th @ 4.00pm Girls Brigade. Wesley Auditorium Cadets 4.00pm – 5.30pm. Upper Section 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.
	Parish Tea at Maryborough RSL 47 th Battalion Room POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	Saturday 16th School Holidays Commence
GIRLS BRIGADE LEADERS 	Monday 18th @ 7.30pm Girls Brigade Leaders Meeting _ Wesley Auditorium
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	Tuesday 19th @ 6.00am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 19th @ 9.30am "Chatty Tuesdays" . Wesley Auditorium.
	BOOKS 'n COFFEE Postponed until Tuesday 17th October <i>Join us every 3rd Tuesday for a chat, a cuppa and to share discussions on our reading.</i>
	Thursday 21st @ 3pm Boulton Clarke Chelsea Retirement Village Church Service (if planning to attend please contact Rev Delma – re numbers for COVID)
LEADERSHIP	Monday 25th @ 4.30pm – Leaders Council Meeting in Wesley Auditorium.
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	Tuesday 26th @ 6.00am Breakfast Ministry St. Paul's Anglican Hall
	Tuesday 26th @ 9.30am "Chatty Tuesdays" . Wesley Auditorium.

Community Notices and Events

	Saturday 2nd @ 11am - 8pm @ Fraser Coast Flavours Festival at Pialba Seafront Oval
	Sunday 3rd @ 10am. Royal Australian Navy's HMAS Maryborough II will parade through the streets of Maryborough with 'swords drawn, bayonets fixed, drums beating, bands playing and colours flying' for the traditional ceremony of the granting of Freedom of Entry. The Maryborough Town Crier, TS Maryborough cadets and the Maryborough RSL Highlanders (marching bands) will add entertainment as the parade marches from the Cenotaph to City Hall. Go to https://www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au/events/event/611/freedom-of-entry-ceremony-maryborough for more details
	Thursday 7th @ 9.30am - 11am St Paul's Anglican Parish presents OPEN CHURCH WITH MUSIC
	Wednesday 13th @ 11:30am Bluecare Memory Support Cafe
	Friday 29th @ 10am National Police Remembrance Day Service @ LifeChurch, 68 Gayndah Rd, Maryborough (near Riverside Christian College). RSVP: Acting Senior Constable Holly Marriott, Maryborough Patrol Group Crime Prevention Coordinator on 0438 482 703 or/ marriott.hollyM@police.qld.gov.au or/; PO Box 220, Maryborough QLD 4650

October Advance Date Claimers

	Friday 20 October @ 7:00pm at Albert Street Uniting Church– Induction of Rev Bruce Moore as Moderator.
	Saturday 21 October to Tuesday 24 October – 37th Synod in Session at Alexandra Park Conference Centre. Theme: <i>'Renewal – faith for a new season'</i> . Rev Delma will be attending.