

# February '25



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MARYBOROUGH PARISH UNITING CHURCH



Making Christ Visible

## Maryborough Church Services

### SUNDAY 2nd

Leaders Commissioning & Communion

**9:00am** Wesley Auditorium - Rev Delma

READINGS: Malachi 3:1-4 Ps 84  
Hebrews 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40

### SUNDAY 9th

**9:00am** Wesley Auditorium- Rev Delma

READINGS: Is 6:1-8, (9-13) Ps 138  
1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11

### SUNDAY 16th

**9:00am** Wesley Auditorium - Rev Delma

READINGS: Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1  
1 Cor 15:12-20 Lk 6:17-26

### THURSDAY 20th

**3:00pm** Chelsea Church Service

Bolton Clarke Chelsea Retirement Living Community Hall

### SUNDAY 23rd

**9:00am** Wesley Auditorium - Rev Delma

READINGS: Gen 45:3-11, 15 Ps 37:1-11, 39-40  
1 Cor 15:35-38, 42-50 Lk 6:27-38

## Bauple Home Group

### SUNDAY 9th

**2:00pm** Bauple Home Group- Rev Delma

## MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends

*Come and listen, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what he did for me. For I cried out to him for help, praising him as I spoke. If I had not confessed the sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. But God did listen! He paid attention to my prayer. Praise God, who did not ignore my prayer or withdraw his unfailing love from me. (Psalm 66:16-20 NLT)*

How do you quench your thirst? Perhaps you quench your thirst with water, soft drink, wine, juice, milk, tea, coffee. The list is endless of the beverages that we can drink to quench our thirst. But what if your thirst isn't a bodily thirst at all but a spiritual thirst that goes much deeper within your soul, drying it out? Sometimes we may feel that we are living in a desert, and our spiritual life has dried up from the heat and humidity of what life throws at us. It is one of the challenges of our faith journey to replenish ourselves spiritually. Perhaps that is what makes it so hard, we try to do it on our own. In the times of being in a spiritual desert, where we can't find our way out, that is a good time to dig into the spiritual strength of others who have gone before us or who are beside us. Psalms like Psalm 66 remind us that we can find spiritual food to

Have you got a notice to share?

Submissions for inclusion in the  
March Bulletin end 21 February 2025.

restore our soul in words such as these that remind us of God's character. Some of you may have favourite Bible verses that you head to whenever life gets tough. But the Bible isn't the only place that has words to refresh our soul. We have free devotionals that we give out and there is a new one out now (just ask at the door on a Sunday). There are devotional books in our church library that you can borrow. Or, you can talk to the people you know who seem to have their faith life together. Perhaps they have a story or stories about how they have faced their life struggles or faith crisis. We never know what struggles others have faced or are facing in their lives. You are also welcome to make a time with me for a chat.

Sometimes we may feel we are alone in our struggles, but we are not. Everyone has faith struggles at some time. That is normal and that is ok. When we pray to God and feel that God isn't listening, we can think that prayer is a waste of time. How wonderful would it be if we shared our times of answered prayer with those around us. *"Come, I want to tell you about what God has done. God has answered my prayers. I want to praise God because God didn't ignore me. God loves me and God loves you."* We can find joy on earth even when we are struggling. Paul encourages us in Philippians 4:4, 8-9 (NLT) *Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice! And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honourable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you.*



Blessings  
Rev Delma Lovell



## Leaders' Council News

### SUMMER CHURCH

Church services will continue in the Wesley Auditorium during February, returning to St Stephen's Church on 2 March 2025.



## Leaders' Council News

### Leadership Positions for 2025:

- Chair: Bruce Grant
- Secretary: Ros Martin
- Minute Secretary: Linda James
- Treasurer: Julaine Puller

## URGENT YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

We now need a volunteer for our cleaning team who can regularly spare 1 hour a month to help with cleaning of the church. Cleaning tasks can be negotiated to suit any physical limitations that a volunteer may have. Dates and times are flexible to suit the volunteer.

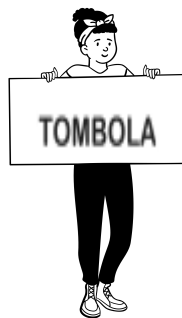
We also need one or two cleaning volunteers who can help on a casual basis when a regular member of the team is away.

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



## TOMBOLA Saturday 22nd February 2025 Wesley Auditorium

Doors Open: 11:30am / First Draw: 1pm



Now is the time to collect prizes!  
These may be given to Elizabeth Booth or  
Dawn Jenkinson, or left at the parish office  
during hours.

\*please remember we need NEW ITEMS & PERISHABLE  
items to have a good USED-BY DATE.

## World Day of Prayer Friday March 7th 10:00am @ St Mary's Catholic Church



Country & Theme:  
Cook Islands  
*I made you wonderful.*



**CONTAINERS**  
FOR CHANGE

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*

## BREAKFAST MINISTRY

Anyone wishing to direct deposit their  
donation to the Breakfast Ministry,  
the details are:

BSB – 014-665  
ACC- 4250-44594



# February 2025

FELLOWSHIP MORNING TEA	<b>Saturday 1st</b> from 9:00am Join us for FUN * FRIENDSHIP * FOOD at our <i>Fellowship Morning Tea</i> @ Maryborough Services & Citizens Memorial Club. See Diana Collins for details.
PRAYER MEETING	<b>Monday 3rd</b> @ 8:30am - 9:00am. <b>PRAYER MEETING</b> in St Stephens Church
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	<b>Tuesday 4th</b> @ 7:00am - 8:00am <b>Breakfast Ministry</b> St. Paul's Anglican Hall
SCHATTY TUESDAY	<b>Tuesday 4th</b> @ 9:30am - 12:00 noon " <b>Chatty Tuesdays</b> ". Wesley Auditorium.
GIRLS BRIGADE	<b>Tuesday 4th</b> @ 6:00pm <b>Girls Brigade</b> . Wesley Auditorium & Hall. Cadets 6:00pm – 7:30pm / Upper Section 6:00pm – 8:00 pm
PRAYER MEETING	<b>Monday 10th</b> @ 8:30am - 9:00am. <b>PRAYER MEETING</b> in St Stephens Church
PARISH TEA	<b>Monday 10th</b> @ 5:30pm <b>Parish Tea</b> at Maryborough Services and Citizens Memorial Club (formerly Maryborough RSL) Please RSVP your attendance to Nalda Brett on 0407 628 072 before 10.00am on that day.
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BLUECARE MEMORY SUPPORT	<b>Wednesday 12th</b> @11:30am - 1:30pm <b>BlueCare's Memory Support Cafe</b> Wesley Auditorium, 21 Sussex St. <i>Supporting those who care for someone with dementia.</i>
MUCAF	<b>Thursday 13th</b> @ 1:00pm – 2:30pm <b>MUCAF</b> (Maryborough Uniting Church Adult Fellowship) Meeting
LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING	<b>Friday 14th</b> @ 12:00 noon - 4:00pm <b>Leaders Council Meeting</b>
PRAYER MEETING	<b>Monday 17th</b> @ 8:30am - 9:00am. <b>PRAYER MEETING</b> in St Stephens Church
GIRLS BRIGADE LEADERS	<b>Monday 17th</b> @ 6.30pm <b>Girls Brigade Leaders Meeting</b> _ Wesley Auditorium
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	<b>Tuesday 18th</b> @ 7:00am - 8:00am <b>Breakfast Ministry</b> St. Paul's Anglican Hall
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BOOK CLUB	<b>Tuesday 18th</b> @ 2:30pm - 4:00pm <b>BOOKS 'n COFFEE</b> _ Wesley Auditorium Join us every 3rd Tuesday for a chat, a cuppa and to share discussions on our reading.
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CHELSEA CHURCH SERVICE	<b>Thursday 20th</b> @ 3:00pm <b>Church service @ Chelsea</b> Retirement Living Community Hall
TOMBOLA	<b>Saturday 22nd</b> from 11:30am Church <b>TOMBOLA</b> .
PRAYER MEETING	<b>Monday 24th</b> @ 8:30am - 9:00am. <b>PRAYER MEETING</b> in St Stephens Church
LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING	<b>Monday 24th</b> @ 4:30pm - 6:00pm <b>Leaders Council Meeting</b> in Wesley Auditorium
BREAKFAST MINISTRY	<b>Tuesday 25th</b> @ 7:00am -8:00am <b>Breakfast Ministry</b> St. Paul's Anglican Hall
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