

### **We have already crossed from death to life**

Many of us will have been saddened over the last week as we heard of the death of our dear friend and member Dulcie Young, who passed away from COVID. I imagine that as well as having grief for Dulcie, many of us will also have reflected that after such a long time of waiting, we have finally been touched by the reality of this disease.

The Christian hope, however, is that death is not the end and the last word about who we are, but is a step on the journey to an eternal home with God. In John 5:24, Jesus talks about that hope in the following way:

"Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life."

So, whatever dangers COVID holds, we can add it to the long list of things that might kill us one day, but can never separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

As Christians we have already crossed over from death to life, and while our mortal bodies may wither and die, we have the eternal life of

Christ the Son already present in us, and the promise of new life and glory to come.

May that promise comfort you in your grief, give you hope, and may the eternal life of the Son, be your light.

Grace and Peace,  
 Adam Tipple



### **Some 2022 Starting Dates to Remember**

**Mainly Music** - will recommence on Wednesday, 16 February. If you would like to support this Ministry, you might like to bake a slice/cake for morning tea which we provide for the parents. This support is very much appreciated.

**Youth Group** - returns Friday, 11 February

Volunteers are urgently needed for the 2022 Morning Tea Roster and After Church Cleaning Roster both beginning in March.

If you are able to volunteer for either of these Rosters and would like to know what is involved, please see Roslyn Prestridge after church or email [drmlpre@gmail.com](mailto:drmlpre@gmail.com)

*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are scattered across – the Jarowair and Giabal people.*

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## Church Council Elections and Nominations

At our AGM (Annual General Meeting) on Sunday, 13 March, we will be having elections for the roles of Elders and Church Councillors. We are calling for nominations for those who would be interested in serving in these roles.

The role of Church Council is to 'give priority ... to building up the Congregation in faith and love, sustaining members in hope, and leading the congregation into a fuller participation in Christ's mission in the world.' (Basis of Union).

If you are interested in nominating, please fill out a nomination form in the first instance. Hard copies are available in the foyer, or you can be sent an email copy by emailing [minister@lifeworksuniting.org.au](mailto:minister@lifeworksuniting.org.au)

### Timeline for Nominations and Elections

- 6 February – Nominations open
- 21 February – Nominations closed
- 27 February – Nominations advertised to the congregation and Annual Report distributed
- 13 March – AGM and elections.
- 21 March – First meeting of new Church Council
- 27 March – Commissioning of new Church Council as part of the service

We thank those current Church Councillors and Elders whose terms will be concluding in March 2022.

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## Isolation Assistance

As we all do our best to minimise the risk of contracting COVID, it is inevitable that some of our congregation will need to isolate. If you find yourself in this position and you require assistance in obtaining essential items (e.g. groceries etc), please let us know by contacting the Prayer Chain Coordinator, or the church office at [office@lifeworksuniting.org.au](mailto:office@lifeworksuniting.org.au) or 4634 9128.

Equally, if you would be able to do a grocery run, pick up medication from a Chemist or other daily essentials, please let us know as per above and we'll be in touch if the need arises.

## Engaging Worship and The Heart of Preaching

Saturday, 12 March - 10:30am to 2:30pm

If you are a current worship leader or preacher at Lifeworks, or if you are keen to learn more about worship, there will be two workshops run back-to-back on 12 March at Lifeworks. These workshops are designed to deepen knowledge around worship and improve skills in the areas of worship leading and preaching.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to [minister@lifeworksuniting.org.au](mailto:minister@lifeworksuniting.org.au)

## National Church Life Survey (NCLS)

The NCLS survey is something undertaken every five years to help discover more about our church. The survey takes 20 minutes to complete and the information gathered is confidential.

We will be having a 'survey day' on Sunday, 13 February. This will take place immediately after the service and attendees will be given information on how to fill out a survey and then encouraged to do this all together. Surveys will continue to be available through February.

## Worship With Us

### Sunday Mornings

9:00am

### Live-stream

[Lifeworks YouTube channel](#)

## Banking Details

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