Lifewords



The newsletter of Lifeworks Uniting Church

Growing as a Disciple of Christ, and a Disciple-Making Church

One of the directions we identified at the beginning of the year is exploring what it means to be a disciple-making church. This is the direction that we have least intentionally supported so far, so I am keen that we begin making some progress in this regard.

I believe that it is one of the few 'no-brainers' of church life (or at least it should be!), is that Jesus calls people to be his disciples, and that we as disciples and the church, are called to make other disciples.

But if it's a no-brainer, why can it be so hard, and why are many churches not doing this effectively? Of course the answers to this are many and complex, but there are a few things we can observe:

- Many Christians lack confidence in sharing faith (according to the last NCLS survey that Lifeworks did, we are a church where many of us lack confidence in this).
- Many Christians become 'stuck' in their discipleship journey and don't grow spiritually in the way that Jesus asks us to.
- Many Christians lack the knowledge, experience and understanding of the 'how to', in making other disciples.

To address this we are beginning with a series of 'Pop Up Discipleship Workshops' The focus of these workshops is to help us to learn from Jesus and to learn from one another, with the goal of growing in discipleship, and also confidence in making other disciples.

The first workshop will be on Sunday 9th November after the service starting around 10.30am. You do not need to register, but we would love for you to take part. The workshops will go for around an hour.

While these workshops will only be a small part of your discipleship journey, I want to encourage you that it may still be a significant step, and to ask you to have the faith, that if you are willing to spend just one hour for Jesus this way, then God will use that hour and multiply it in your life and the lives of others.

I'll leave you with the words of Jesus from Matthew 4:19:

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."

Let's dare to respond to that call, and find out what this means!

Grace and Peace, Rev Adam Tipple

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Intercessory Prayer Team

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land - the Jarowair and Giabal people.

November 2025 Services

Sunday 2nd November 9am

(Holy Communion)
Worship Leader: Louise Walker
Preacher: Rev Adam Tipple

Sunday 9th November 9am

Worship Leader: Va Palfi Guest Speaker: Rev Adam Tipple

Sunday 16th November 9am

Worship Leader: Mary Tibben Preacher: Rev Adam Tipple

Sunday 23rd November 9am

Worship Leader: Marg Thorpe Preacher: Rev Lynne Hindman

Sunday 30th November 9am

Worship Leader: Rev Adam Tipple Preacher: Rev Adam Tipple

Livestreams - please see <u>Facebook</u> for the latest link.

Giving Details

If you would like to give to Lifeworks, you can use the following methods:

Electronic direct deposit
Bank: Westpac Bank
Name: Lifeworks Uniting Church
BSB: 034 242
Account Number: 359 011

Write a cheque to
Lifeworks Uniting Church, and post in
the mail to: PO Box 18093, Clifford
Gardens,
Qld, 4350

Cash can be left in the offering bag on Sunday mornings.

We also now have Zeller to take card payments. Ask at church.

We thank-you for your generosity!

Quick Links







YouTube Facebook

News and Announcements

AGM and Elections

Thanks to everyone for your engagement at our AGM on 12th October. The outcome of the elections was:

Church Council: Kerrie Andrews Jon Ferguson Gordon Gillmore Anni Cramb

Congregation Chairperson - David Prestridge Congregation Secretary - Peter Cole

Presbytery Meeting at Crows Nest Uniting Church

Summary:

- Rev Bruce Moore the Moderator of the Qld Synod led the Bible study.
- Discussion was had on the Presbytery Capacity discussion paper.
- Rev Russell Reynoldson was called as Presbytery Minister to the Presbytery of the Downs for a two year period covering the possible transitions to new presbytery structures. Russell will start at the beginning of 2026.

Vox Pop

As discussed previously the Church Council would like to get feedback from you regarding important issues, to help guide our discussion. The first survey, or 'Vox Pop' we are sending out with this newsletter, regarding same-gender relationships and marriage.

The link for the first one is here:

Same-gender Marriage Survey

These surveys are to get a feel of where the congregation is at, and are not in themselves any means of decisionmaking.

Your response is greatly valued and will remain anonymous. Paper copies are also available.

Prayer Points

- For our community carols on Sunday 7th December.
- For the Men's Breakfast event on 29th November.
- For Rev Tanya's conclusion service on 14th November.
- For the new Church Council and their first meeting on 10th November.
- Give thanks for Margaret Hughes' life, and pray for her family.
- Pray for all our church family watching and listening to the services at home.
- Give thanks for the rain, and pray that those that need it get some good rain.



GLENVALE COMMUNITY BBQ

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE

SUNDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

SUNDAY 7th DECEMBER (followed by Carols in Glenvale) from 4pm at LIFEWORKS UNITING CHURCH

COFFEE, HOT AND COLD DRINKS ALSO AVAILABLE FACEPAINTING, KIDS' ACTIVITIES

FOR ALL WHO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY IN GLENVALE
ALL WELCOME



615 Boundary St., Glenvale

Pop Up works Discipleship Workshop

Praying With Others

Sunday 9th November 10.30am at Lifeworks

An opportunity to grow, learn and share as a disciple of Jesus. All welcome, workshop lasts around an hour. Just turn up!



CAROLS IN GLENVALE

AT LIFEWORKS UNITING CHURCH
SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER

4.00 PM - FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE, FACE-PAINTING & KIDS' CRAFT

COFFEE & WAFFLES AVAILABLE

6.30 PM TO 7.30 PM - CAROLS



LIFEWORKS UNITING CHURCH

November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tues- day	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday	Satur- day
8.30am Prayer in the meeting room	3	4	5 9.30am mainly music	6	7	9am Lifeworks Craft Group
9am Worship Holy Commun- ion						
4pm Glenvale Community BBQ						
9 8.30am Prayer in the meeting room 9am Worship 10.30am Pop Up Discipleship Workshop	5.30 Admin Meeting 6pm Church Council Meeting	11	9.30am mainly music	9.30am Keenagers	4pm Conclusion of Place- ment for Rev Tanya Richards, refresh- ments fol- lowed by service at 6pm	15
8.30am Prayer in the meeting room 9am Worship	17	18	19 9.30am mainly music	20	21	22
23 8.30am Prayer in the meeting room 9am Worship	24	25	26 9.30am mainly music	9.30am Keenagers Carols (from 10.15am)	28	29 8am Mens' Breakfast
30 8.30am Prayer in the meeting room 9am Worship Advent 1						
4pm Games, Grub and God						