



IPSWICH UNITING CHURCH

ABN 333 333 333

Our Vision:

Growing together and reaching out as disciples of Christ

Our Core Values:

Future focussed

Inclusive

Grace filled

Innovative

Relational

Justice oriente

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Sunday worship 22 May 2022 9am

[click to see service](#)

JOINT NEWS

Supply at Jacaranda St not continuing

Ipswich Uniting Church - Church Council Communique 22nd May 2022

Your Church Council would like to share the following information:

Our mission for our church is growing together and reaching out to one another, the Ipswich community, and our world. We want to share the journey of Christian mission and discipleship with all and we will be empowered by the grace of God.

Keeping this in mind and the reasons why we amalgamated; sharing resources, supporting one another and wanting to grow, Church Council has come to a decision that will have an impact on each location.

As you are aware Rev. David MacGregor has been in supply for Rev. Peter Taubner due to his ill health. Rev. David's supply period ended on the 30th April 2022 at Jacaranda Street.

Church Council has decided not to continue with supply at Jacaranda St at this stage due to a number of reasons. Church Council has assessed our finances and analysed the impact from the decision made by the congregation to continue worshipping in four locations. It was found at the last church council meeting that we have been running at a loss for the first four months of the year. Unfortunately, this cannot continue. So, at this stage, it would be wise not to fill the supply role. Also, it was deemed that now would be a suitable time to trial worship in four locations with only three ministers.

So, what does this mean for Jacaranda St and the other locations? At no stage will pastoral care be neglected for any member of the congregation. The ministry team (UNiT) will meet with various retired ministers, lay preachers, and coordinate a response to ensure the needs of our congregation are met.

This will mean that each worshipping location at times may have a minister, retired minister or lay preacher rostered to preach each Sunday. This process will be reviewed at the end of June by the UNiT.

Please pray for our congregation as we go through a period of transition from what we were comfortable with to something that is new and challenging.

Church Council have lost their Secretary and Treasurer through resignations' so if you know of anyone suitably qualified wanting to fill these roles, please inform your leadership teams.

The Church Council would encourage all congregation members to participate in as many upcoming activities as possible to help build relationships among the four locations, remember we must no longer think as individual locations but rather that together we are the Ipswich Uniting Church. As we continue this journey of amalgamation, the Church Council asks that you continue to pray for the Church Council members, grant them wisdom, patience, compassion and understanding as we move forward serving God's community of Ipswich.

---A time of prayer.---

On behalf of the Ipswich Uniting Church Council:

Rev. Peter Arnett- Lead Minister, Barry Westphal - Chairperson

Synod news is attached

A Fashion Parade will be held at Ellenborough St on Saturday 23rd July at 2pm. The afternoon of fine apparel, afternoon tea and musical entertainment will be enjoyed. \$15 to outreach activities of the congregation.

Let's Celebrate Music will be held in the Ellenborough St Church on Sunday 19 June at 2pm. Music from people we know and guest artists for all ages.



New Ministry Roles at Ipswich Uniting Church - The Church Council has determined that there will be two new Ipswich Uniting Church ministry roles based at Glebe Road. The first is a part-time (8 hours/week) Youth & Young Adults Pastor and the second is a part-time (8 hours/week) Worship Pastor. The Youth & Young Adults Pastor will be ministering with young people across the Congregation and the wider community. The Worship Pastor will be ministering through music and leadership with the 10:15am Worshipping Community at Glebe Road. For a copy of either Position Description please contact me: minister@ipswichuc.org.au or 0400 774 890. Applications for the Youth & Young Adults Pastor close Friday 20th May. Applications for the Worship Pastor close Friday 27th May.

A prayer calendar has been prepared by Rev Andrea Follet and is attached.

Music Resources Workshop the location has been changed to Ellenborough St church - RSVP: To Peter Arnett.



Safe Ministry training for those who need to refresh their training will be on Friday 27th May at noon in the Ellenborough St hall.

The next Combined Women's Fellowship gathering will be held at Brassall on Friday 10th June, commencing at 9:30am. RSVP 3rd June to Glenda Pyle, mandg92@gmx.com 0419 100 024
Also a planning meeting for interested ladies from each Women's Fellowship group, is on Monday the 11th July at Brassall at 9:30am. This is to discuss activities for the second half of the year.

The next Men's Breakfast will be at Jacaranda St at 7.30am on Saturday 11 June.

Future Events

- 27 May Safe Ministry Training, noon - Ellenborough St
- 10 June Ladies Fellowship 9.30am - Brassall
- 11 June Men's Breakfast, 7.30am - Jacaranda St
- 12 June Music Resources Workshop, 1pm - Glebe Rd
- 19 June Let's Celebrate Music – Ellenborough St
- 9 July Men's Breakfast, 7.30am - Jacaranda St
- 11 July Ladies Fellowship planning morning, 9.30am - Brassall
- 23 July Fashion Parade - Ellenborough St
- 20 Aug Garage Sale – Ellenborough St
- 21 Aug Family Picnic – Glebe Rd
- 27 Aug Trivia Afternoon – Brassall
- 16 Oct Family Picnic – Glebe Rd
- 22 Oct Family Fun Day – Glebe Rd
- 5 Nov Craft Fair - Brassall

ELLENBOROUGH ST NEWS

LECTIONARY READINGS

May 22 - Easter 6 - Acts 16:9-15, Psalm 67, Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5, John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

May 29 –Easter 7 - Acts 16:16-34, Psalm 97, Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21, John 17:20-26

CHURCH ROSTER

Date	Minister	Bible Reader	Stewards	Musician	Song Leader/s
22-May	Rev Ross	Anne	Gayle & Julie	Ruth	Chris
PowerPoint	Audio	Streaming	Morning Tea	Table Set-up	Counting
Peter H	Rob B	Ashley	Anne & Karen	Gordon	Gordon

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29-May	Rev Ross	Rod M	Rhonnie & Rod M	Liz	Chris
PowerPoint	Audio	Streaming	Morning Tea	Table Set-up	Counting
Anne	Peter H	Karen	Gayle & Del	Peter H	Rob B

Date claimers.

Worship 9am every Sunday

Messy Church 2nd Saturday 4.30pm

Adult Leisure group every Monday 9am.

UnitingKids every Friday 9.30am

OP Shop Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.30am.

Huddles - Please see your leader.

JACARANDA ST NEWS

Nothing new.

GLEBE RD NEWS

attached at foot.

ECUNEMICAL

St Paul's Anglican, 124 Brisbane St, will be holding an Overseas Day on Thursday 23 June at 9.30am. Worship service, morning tea, guest speaker and light lunch. Fundraising stalls for

Overseas and Northern Outreach Disaster and Climate Change Management in the Pacific and to help re-establish the food gardens, water supplies and promoting church protection.

DIRECT DEPOSIT GIVING

Account name: Ipswich Uniting Church

BSB: 014314

Account number: 430841926

Bank: ANZ Riverlink.

please use the describing or reference - "?location? offering" or whatever deposit item you are making

DID YOU KNOW

How do I pray?

Prayer is another word for conversation but the church loves to use jargon. A conversation with God is like a conversation with a friend. We talk, we listen, we respond. Many will give God their shopping list of requests like sitting on Santa's lap and then hang up the phone. This does not allow room for God to respond through the Holy Spirit. Try spending as long sitting and listening as you do speaking. Prayer can be spoken out loud or in your mind. Some tricks to learning to "listen pray" are to clear your mind and try to think of nothing and let God fill that space. Another, if you wish to pray for someone is to speak their name as you breathe out slowly and listen for a response as you breathe in. Walking a maze or sitting in a quiet spot are also helpful. Jesus withdrew when he wanted to talk to God and that is a good model for us too. It is hard to pray in the middle of the family chaos.

Rev Ross Mackay

Attachments

- [prayer calendar IUC 2022.pdf](#)
- [synod report.pdf](#)
- [2022_05_22 Glebe Rd.pdf](#)