

Preaching

8.30am Graham Huth
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Lectionary Readings

Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17



Welcome to AUC!

Please join us after the service for refreshments in the 'breezeway'.

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Please Pray For:

- ✓ Members of Presbytery as they prepare to meet in a few week's time
- ✓ Members of Assembly as they prepare for some very important discussions on issues such as Marriage Equality
- ✓ Divine discernment for Church Council/Eldership elections next week

Will you be my friend?



This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. *(John 15:12-15)*

I am not a Facebook fan, but I am learning to engage with it because Social Media is the main place where conversation and communication seems to happen these days – especially amongst the younger generations. My wife joined first, mainly to keep up with the kids, and now my phone is constantly 'pinging' and vibrating to frantically get my attention and advise me urgently that someone has baked cake, a friend wants to show the world the most recent photo of their cat, or to advise me that a friend has 'liked' the latest Woolworths advertising. I get a constant stream of suggested 'friends' – many of whom I don't know, but are obviously 'friends' of other people within our social or work circles. You feel guilty if you don't agree to accept them as friends. In this technological age of social networking, the term friend has a whole new meaning. So, when Jesus says he calls us 'friends', I wonder what that really means to a generation where much of their social interaction happens electronically. Biblical friendship – Christian friendship – the friendship Jesus talks about is more than that which simply comes from pressing a button on a keyboard. Clicking 'Accept' against someone's name is not what true friendship is all about. It is born out of God and expressed through love; love that is prepared to go to as far as giving one's own life for them. Jesus is a true friend. How many other true friends do you have, or more importantly, to whom you are a true friend? Let us heed Jesus' commandment to love one another and teach the world about life-giving relationships powered not by the internet, but by the power of God's love at work in us.

God bless you all – my friends, Ps. Graham Huth

**TOWNSVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL
PAST GRADUATES ASSOCIATION**

Invites

All Nurses, their Families and friends

*Supporters of Nursing and Allied
Health Professionals to*

A THANKSGIVING SERVICE

SATURDAY 19 May 2018 – 10:00AM

UNITING CHURCH

CNR ANNE ST & ROSS RIVER RD AITKENVALE



Saturday 16 June | 5pm – 9pm

**Venue: Northreach Baptist Church
38 Canterbury Rd Kirwan**

Theme for Best Dressed Table Prizes: Sport

Tickets \$10 - children 12 and under free.
Trivia begins at 6pm. Tables seat 8 people.
Hot Food, Drinks, Snacks available for purchase
from 5pm.

**Book your tickets TODAY! Phone 0411 756 273
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Winter Roster

A BIG **thank you** to the **many** faithful people who serve our church community in a multitude of ways. Where is Christ calling you to serve?

8.30 Service Family

- Please see Lesley Northey if you would like to serve on any of the rosters
- She will direct you to the right person

10.15 Service Family

- There are 5 clipboards on the bench near the front door
- Each one has a list for a different serving role, for you to put your name on
- The roster is for the next 3 months
- Please put your name, contact number and dates you are unavailable (if known)
- remember, the more people we have, the less times you have to serve
- See Kate Mills if you have any questions



YWAM medical ships are holding their 2018 fundraising breakfast

- YWAM City Campus
- Friday 15th June
- 6.45am

Individual tickets are \$100 or
Tables are \$800

If you are interested in attending, please contact Graham as we may be able to host a table.

More information in the foyer

It is with deep regret that we inform our congregations that Mrs Helen James passed away on the Sunshine Coast after a lengthy illness. Helen and her late husband David were very involved in establishing the Aitkenvale Uniting Church during the formative years of church union before retiring to Mountville on the Sunshine Coast.

Church Council Members

The election of Church Council members will occur at the completion of both the 8.30am and 10.15am services next week, the 13th May.

What does the Church Council do? While there are many specific tasks, the main purpose according to the Basis of Union, and Regulations is to “*build up the congregation in faith and love, sustaining its members in hope, and leading them into a fuller participation in Christ’s mission in the world*”. You will notice it says nothing here about property, finances, or meetings. While they may be part of the job, they are only a means to achieve much more important goals. So, when you vote next week, consider carefully and prayerfully whether the people below are indeed those Christ is calling to build, sustain and lead AUC into a fuller participation in Christ’s mission in the world.

The names of the people who have been nominated for Church Council are:

Church Council Members Re-nominating

Julie Adamson	(Elder)	Two Years
Ian Dearness	(Elder)	One Year
Ian Savage	(Elder)	Two years
Neville Devette	(Elder)	One Year
Ann Laguna	(Church Council Rep)	Two Years
Kate Mills	(Church Council Rep)	Two Years
Naomi Gardiner	(Church Council Rep)	One Year

New Nominations

Ron Store	(Church Council Rep)	One Year
Jayne Wharton	(Church Council Rep)	Two Years
Don Adamson	(Church Council Rep)	Two Years

Please note that Bill Radcliffe and Helen Cifuentes, (both Elders) were not up for re-election this year.

Smile and say CHEESE!

Over the next few weeks, Don Adamson will be taking photos of everyone for a Photo Directory for the church. This will help the Minister, Elders and Pastoral Carers, but will also be a resource that will be made available to members of the Congregation. While it is certainly not compulsory, we encourage everyone to be involved. We adhere strictly to the Uniting Church Privacy Policy, and you can be assured of confidentiality and correct use of any photos taken. So, smile!



Entertainment Books are still available for purchase to help AUC Play Group raise funds for new toys and craft resources. See Rachel Mudge our Play Group Coordinator for more information

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Or visit <http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2y71815>



Australia's biggest morning tea

- Trivia Morning Tea
- Tuesday 7th June
- 9.30 a.m.
- Kirwan U.C.

Entry by donation to the Queensland Cancer Council

RSVP Sheila 0437708975

Combined Churches Pentecost Service

On Sunday 20th May 5pm at the Gregory Street Amphitheatre on the Strand. There is an invitation to wear RED to symbolize the fire of Pentecost!



Annandale Christian College

Are seeking applications for the role of school chaplain in a short term contract for immediate start
Please see notice board for more information

Combined Churches Prayer Meeting

Thursday 24th May, 7pm - 8pm
Townsville Central City Mission,
73 Wills St

Dates in May

Monday 14th May Good Shepherd service
11am

Church prayer meeting 7.15pm @
AUC

Saturday 19th May Thanksgiving Service for
Nurses 10.00am @ AUC

Sunday 20th May Combined Churches
Pentecost Service –The Strand.

Date Claimers

Monday 21st May – Church Council 7.15pm

Thursday 24th May Combined Churches
Prayer Meeting – Townsville Central
City Mission, 73 Wills St. 7.00pm

Tuesday 7th June Biggest morning tea Trivia
morning 9.30am @ Kirwan UC

Friday 15th June Breakfast by the Sea
6.45am @ YWAM City Campus

Rosters & Readings for 13th May 2018 (Mother's Day)

8.30am Service

Preacher: Graham Huth

Reader: Ross Waller

Stewards: Ken & Lesley Northey

Minister's Steward: Fred Annersley

Sound Desk: Ron Northey

Data Projector: Melody Northey

Organist: John

Flowers: Beryl

Morning Tea: Ailsa R, Liz B, Ron & Melody N

10.15am Service

Preacher: Graham Huth

Reader: Judy

Greeter: Judy

Sound Desk: Don

Data Projector: Cath

Music: Angie & Scott

Children's Ministry: Margaret & Naomi

Morning Tea: Ian & Leone

Lectionary Readings

Acts 1:1-11

Psalms 47

Eph 1:15-23

Luke 24:44-53