

## Preaching

8.30 am Graham Huth  
10.15 am Graham Huth

## Readings

Isaiah 52:13-53:12  
Phil 2: 6-11

Mark : 15:25-26, 33-39



## WELCOME TO AUC!

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

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## Please pray for

Our minister, Pastor Huth,  
members of the Church  
Council and all who will  
assist in developing and  
implementing future plans  
for our Church.

Those leading and those  
participating in the Nicky  
Gumble "Heart of Revival"  
study.

All of our youth and youth  
leaders.

Ron and Shirley Behan and  
family (former members of  
this congregation) as they  
grieve the loss of their  
daughter-in-law Lissa.

Richard de Graff & Norah  
Shimeld who are in hospital  
recovering from falls.

## The Heart of Revival Week 4

### What is the message of revival?



## The Good News of Jesus Christ!

### Are you praying for revival?

If so, what does revival look like to you, and for what do you pray? Perhaps you are praying for successful mission programs, more people coming to church, increased offerings, etc. If so, you are way off the mark in understanding the true nature of Christian revival. I came across this quote that cuts straight to the heart of the matter:

*When I pray for revival I pray first for the most radical thing: The utter devotion and allegiance of your hearts to Christ. That you would love Him so deeply and long for Him so passionately that His coming would be your great hope, and death would be gain, and life would be for Christ and His kingdom. ~ John Piper*

The message of revival is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As Piper indicates in his prayer, revival will come only when our hearts become devoted completely to Jesus Christ. So, I pray for each of us, that revival will come as we fall in love with Jesus all over again. May we find in Jesus, newness of life, eternal hope, everlasting joy, and love that overflows to likewise spark revival in the heart of each person whose lives we touch.

*All blessing, honour, glory and power be to our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Ps. Graham Huth*

## Spotlight on Playgroup

The A.U.C. Playgroup has been running in our little church hall since early 2012 with an aim to create a safe space for young families to meet, play and connect. Over the past six and a half years the group has welcomed families from our own Aitkenvale Uniting Church congregation but surprisingly, most of our regulars do not attend church here, if at all.

We have always aimed to develop children's literacy, fine motor and social skills through songs, arts and crafts and story telling. Equally as important, we want to make mothers feel included and supported during this new, exhausting and exciting season that is parenthood with little ones.

Our group seems to grow and shrink with the changing seasons of new babies being born, our once-tiny children growing to reach school age and mothers having to return to work. We have loved getting to know all the families that have been part of our little group over the years and we still maintain friendships with many of them.

This year our group is reasonably small in number with regular attendance from 9 mothers, 16 children, two grandmothers and 3 amazing ladies that I am so grateful for, who sow into our families by loving on us each week. Lesley Northey and Val Dawson join us most weeks to hold our babies, chat with mums and lend a hand wherever needed. The lovely Jayne Wharton has also been a huge blessing to us, helping on Thursdays when she can and regularly collecting and donating craft supplies, dress-ups and all sorts of goodies that we can use. Thank you so much, ladies!

This term the children are learning all about Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. They are developing an understanding of the days of the week, healthy and unhealthy foods, metamorphosis, ordinal numbers and colours through the activities that they do. We are helping to develop their fine motor skills through painting, play-dough play, cutting, weaving and drawing.

So far this term the children have made their own Very Hungry Caterpillar Finger Puppets using felt; they have painted paper plates to make a giant caterpillar to hang on our wall; they have used a hole punch to create a holey leaf like the caterpillar ate through and then used the leaf to weave in and out of with string; they have ordered pom-poms from smallest to biggest to make their very own hungry caterpillar; they have even revisited the story of the Very Hungry Caterpillar to order the foods that he ate. Whatever we do, we have fun doing it!

It has been exciting to see mothers interacting with each other, sharing their faith and supporting one another in prayer. Parenting can be a challenge at times and I am so grateful to have such a beautiful group of mums around me to celebrate and commiserate with. If you know of anyone who might be looking to join a playgroup, please let them know that everyone is welcome on Thursday mornings in the hall from 9:30 – 11am, during term times.

*Rachel Mudge*



## July Church Council Meeting

At its recent meeting in July the Church Council

Agreed to appoint Karen Mobbs as the Church Office Assistant. Karen will work for four hours per week. Karen will be in the Church Office each week from 9am – 1.00pm each Thursday.

Agreed to the formation of a Management Committee led by Don Adamson. The Committee will investigate and report on various matters including the acquisition and placing of an electronic signboard at the front of the Church, investigate and recommend the acquisition of a sound system, and to evaluate and recommend installation of screens for the Hall.

Agreed to the preparation of a membership booklet of photographs of church members.

## Rosters: your last chance!

A huge thank you to those who are faithfully serving, every week, on our many rosters.

**If you are interested in finding out how you can participate in this way, please see Kate (10.15) or Graham.**

### Times for *Heart of revival*

#### Study Groups

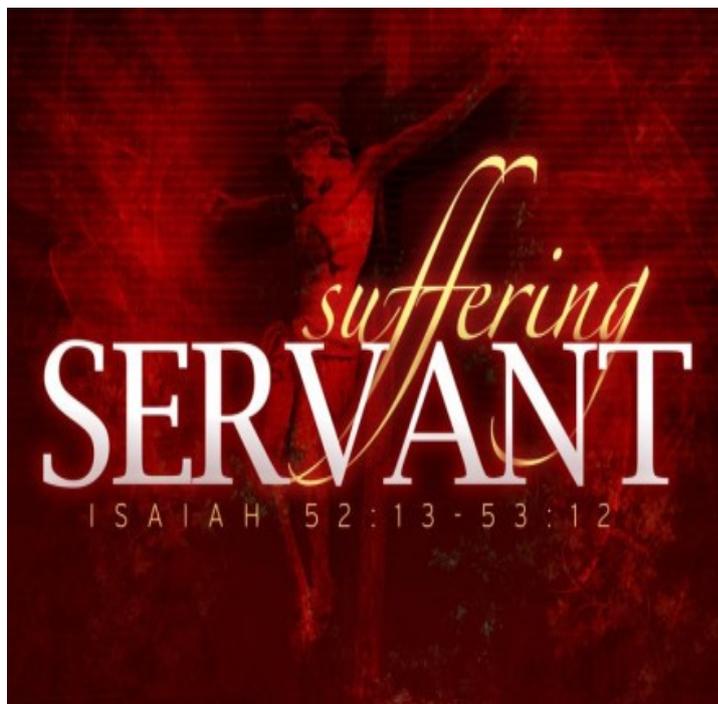
**Thursday** 6.30 pm At the manse

**Friday morning** Ken and Lesley's home

**Friday** 6.30 pm Church vestry

**Sunday afternoon** Time and location under discussion.

Those who have expressed interest in coming when they are available are welcome.



## "GOOD NEWS AND GOOD WORKS"

**A workshop by Ross Farley from TEAR Australia**

*TEAR Australia* is a movement of Christians in *Australia* responding to the needs of poor communities around the world.

When Saturday 18 August  
2pm - 5pm

Where Mount Louisa House of Praise  
Townsville

Ross will examine how we can do both good evangelism and good social action?

**Ross Farley** works for TEAR Australia as an educator and Bible teacher. He has decades of ministry experience with several organisations and churches.

## Coming on

### Sunday 26 August

A group called *Iron and Clay* will be participating in services on Sunday 26 August.

*Iron and Clay* are a Christian group whose main ministry is in schools.

Their goal is to educate a younger generation towards understanding their value and the power of their life choices

Watch this space for more information.

## Prayer

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light.*

*Prayer of St Francis of Assisi*



## Dates and activities in

### August

- 18 Workshop by Ross Farley from Tear Australia
- 20 Church Council meeting
- 23 Go Group Seniors lunch  
10.30 - 1.30
- 26 Iron & Clay – Participating in services

### September

- 4 Choc Chats

## Are you new here?

Whether you're just visiting or looking to stay, it is great to have you with us.

If you thinking of staying with us please complete the "Welcome card" found at the end of the pews and in your welcome bag.

Join us for a snack and coffee after the service and meet some of our wonderful and friendly church community.



## Rosters & Readings for 19 August 2018

8.30am Service		10.15am service	
Preacher	Ron N	Preacher	Ron N
Reader	Heather D	Reader	Neville
Door Stewards	Ruth M, Liz J	Greeters	Hann/Lizzy
Minister's Steward	Ron N	Sound	Sarah
Sound	Bill R	Data	Kellie
Data	Liz B	Music Leaders	Emily, Kate
Organ	John	Kids' Church	Margaret, Geoff
Flowers	Heather	Morning Tea	Church Picnic
Morning Tea	Merle & Keith A Lyn & Peter P		

## Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 54

2 Cor 4:5-10, 16-18

Matt 28:16-20