

Preaching

9am Graham Huth

Readings

2 Sam 7:1-14a
Ps 89:20-37
Eph 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56



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 and members of the Church Council.

Wisdom and Hope for our Church Council for the decisions that need to be made with the running of AUC.

Wisdom & guidance for the Carpentaria Presbytery as they make difficult decision of the health of local churches and financial situations.

Trust in God for our future and the church.

Healing, comfort & strength for the many who are struggling with ongoing illness or grief. Jayne's 97yr old Aunt Alma.



"So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy

temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God. (Eph 2:19-22)

Have you ever made plans with the absolute assurance and confidence that it is the right thing to do, only for it to either fail or to realise later that God had other ideas?

Our Old Testament reading this week (2 Sam 7: 1-16) picks up the story of King David, and the fact that this is exactly what happened to him. With the blessing of the prophet Nathan, David decides to build a temple to house the Ark of the Covenant that he has just brought to the new capital of his kingdom, Jerusalem. However, after God speaks to Nathan in a dream, Nathan has to go back to David and say (more or less), 'Sorry David, God says no, that job will be done by one of your descendants. But not only will he build a house for you in His name, he will establish a kingdom, and "your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever" (2 Sam 7:16).

David was sure he was doing the right thing by God, but God had better and bigger plans in mind. Ultimately, the house God spoke about through Nathan was not the Temple, although David's son Solomon did succeed in completing this task, the true house God was speaking of was the church.

With Christ as the cornerstone, it is the people of God who are joined together that grow into the true temple, the house of God, where God dwells within hearts and minds of his people. (1 Cor 3:16-17, 2 Cor 6:16, 1 John 4:15, Hebrews 3:6))

We need not be worried if our plans seem to fail, we just need to trust in the faithfulness of God, who dwells within us and most likely has even greater things in store for us

Pastor Graham Huth

Sunday Service 18-7-2021

Live Streaming: Welcome to our service today, at home. To participate in worship, please click on the link below and sit back and wait for the service to start.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM_yuTGxZEXsdQPd3XEQbtA/live

If you miss it, or would like to share it with someone, the recordings are on our website.



CHECK IN QUEENSLAND REGISTRATION:

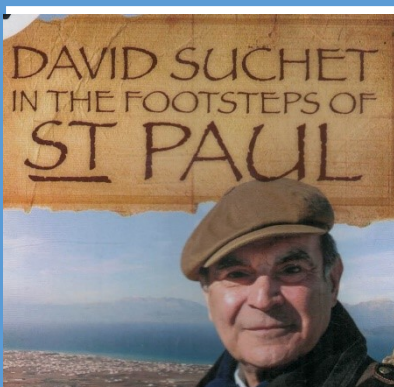


There is no real change to our check in procedure. With the rest of Queensland, Aitkenvale Uniting Church is now using the mandatory **Check In Qld app** for registering attendance.

If using your phone, make sure you show your check in tick to the person at the registration table.

If you do not have a phone that can scan the QR code, don't worry, we will check you in at the registration table on the spreadsheet.

If you require support or any other information please talk to us to help you.



Date Claimer: 21 July 2021 VIDEO PRESENTATION OF "IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL"

This documentary by David Suchet (best known for acting the role of Hercule Poirot in the popular television series) takes us on a fantastic journey through the world of the Apostle Paul in search of the real, and highly controversial man hidden within the pages of the New Testament.

There will be a morning tea intermission and people are invited to bring a plate to share. This coming **Wednesday 21 July, 9am at the Aitkenvale Uniting Church.**

Go Group: see inset in outreach.

PIE DRIVE

Nothing like a Hot Pie on a cold night!!!

Collect your order forms and help our local community.

You can purchase family pies, savory and sweet plus other goodies!!! (Mels Pies)

**Order forms due back next Sunday 25th July
Delivery 6th August.**

Pies delivered frozen to church.

For any information see or phone

Jayne 0416275790



Have you asked your family, friends, neighbours, workmates etc to buy a Pie??

Church Finances – it is not all gloom and doom.

Our thanks go to our Treasurer Reg Dix for his report during our service last week. If you did not see it, the service is available to watch on either our website or our YouTube channel. It was a difficult report to receive, but one that we all needed to hear. It was not a report that Reg was comfortable giving, and so we do want to express our thanks and ongoing support for his valuable ministry of service in watching over our church finances.

However, I do want to say that this is **not** the death knell for our church. Far from it. Like so many businesses, families, and individuals, it is tough going trying to navigate our way through this pandemic. We are all nervous about our current needs and situation, much less what the future holds. But it is only temporary. However, this fear is affecting all areas of our life – including our support of God's ministry through our church family.

The problem seems so huge and beyond our capacity to turn things around – but in truth, it is not.

'But Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but for God all things are possible.'" (Matthew 19:26) If you have driven past the church over the last week or two you would have seen the following message on our LED notice board: "Faith makes all things possible – Not Easy".

Our anxiety is causing us to lose trust in the faithfulness of God, and therefore our confidence and spirit of generosity. Turning things around will not necessarily be easy, and may take some hard work and sacrifice – but God deserves our service and sacrifice.

As we now work together to forge a new and prosperous future, be encouraged by the words of St Paul: "Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us." (Romans 5:2-5)

And also in the words of Paul: "Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you." (2 Cor 13:11), Pastor Graham

Offerings to date 2021

Offerings received week ending
13 July 2021

\$2,206.82

Budgeted expenditure year to
date. \$77,060

Offerings Year to date
\$56,854.28

**Shortfall of income
\$20,202.72**

Go Group

Wednesday 21st July

9am

At the Aitkenvale Uniting Church to
join with the video presentation of

**"IN THE FOOTSTEPS
OF ST PAUL"**

**Please bring a plate to
share for morning tea.**



AUC Bank Details:

Bank: ANZ

BSB: 014-010

Account Number: 287295271

Account Name: Aitkenvale Uniting Church

Reference: Offering, Donation (no need to include your name or any other details)



AUC Prayer Network.

(aucprayer@bigpond.com)

If you wish to have a prayer request circulated across the AUC Prayer Network, or would like to be included in the prayer network notices, please email your request to our direct email address:

aucprayer@bigpond.com, or phone Kate on: 0429 609 509.

(Important: requests for prayer on behalf of others requires their personal permission. This is due to confidentiality requirements and government legislation. Please ask first.)



Rosters & Readings for 25th July 2021

9 am Service

Preacher	Graham Huth
Reader	Val D
Door Stewards	Ruth M, Lesley N
Offering	Ian D, Greg S
Livestream	Carmel
Data	Richard
Organ	Don
Morning Tea	Anne & Giordano L

Lectionary Readings

2Sam 11:1-15, Ps 14, Eph 3:14-21,
John 6:1-21



The Leprosy Mission Townsville Presents
Gladys Staines

Speaking on Life and Leprosy in India

Saturday 31st July 2021 at 2pm

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church

119 Wills St, Townsville

Cost: Free

(donations to the Leprosy Mission overseas aid work accepted)

For more information see notice board for the full poster details.

Upgrade of Hall:

Thank you for those who helped clean out the veranda's of the hall for the next stage.

Painting has been postponed till examinations are done on the panels that are water damaged.

