

Preaching
9am Wendy McHugh

Readings
Prov 31:10-31,
Ps 1,
James 3:13-4:3,7-8a
Mark 9:30-37



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.

Healing, comfort & strength
for those who are sick,
dealing with continual
illness or pain or bereaved.

Safety for the start of
school holidays and rest
for teachers, students and
school staff.

Communities dealing with
the Covid restrictions and
Covid related health
issues.

Peace throughout our
World.

People of Afganistan.

Who are the children?



Mark 9:30-37

Today's Gospel reading has
Jesus holding a child and
saying to His disciples,
*"Whoever welcomes one of
these little children in my*

*name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does
not welcome me but the one who sent me."* We will
explore the context of this passage further on Sunday,
but for now, I would like us to think about who these
children represent.

Over the years, I have heard children being described
as being pure, innocent, and other such wholesome
words used. While these qualities may be present in
some younger children, they're not usually how I would
describe most children as they get older. Having raised
two sons, and interacted with many children, I have
observed many varying qualities; some endearing, some
not so endearing.

I believe Jesus calls us to welcome children, that is
people aged between 0 and 18. But I also believe He
calls us to welcome people who have childlike qualities,
for example, immaturity, vulnerability, simple
understanding, idealistic outlook, powerlessness,
impressionable, limited education, and eagerness to
learn. There are people of all ages that could be
classified as having these qualities.

People I chat with inside the prison often display some
of these childlike qualities. Would we welcome them into
our church family? Do we have a predetermined
checklist for who is worthy of being accepted? What
does a child of God look like? Who are the children
Jesus asks us to welcome?
Wendy McHugh

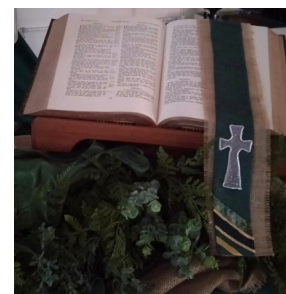
Sunday Service 19-9-2021

We welcome Wendy McHugh this morning who will bring us our message!

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.



Aitkenvale School Community Garden Working Bee Update



When? 30th of September, 9:00 to 11:30am

What's needed I hear you say?

Are you a **green thumb**?

Are you a **dreamer**?

Are you a **builder**?

Or are you someone who just wants to **dig in** and help out wherever it's needed?

Then do we have a job for you!

Many hands make light work.

Come and bless our school partnership and be blessed in the blessing too.

BYO gardening tools, hats, sunscreen and plenty of water.

Please talk to Kate, Dave, Jayne, Naomi, Achamma or Wendy for more information.

AITKENVALE UNITING CHURCH

WOMENS' RETREAT



You are cordially invited to our final retreat for 2021. Come and join us for fellowship, friendship and worship. Friends and guests are most welcome. Our theme is:

“What on Earth is God Doing?”

Within this theme we will hear from several speakers on **domestic violence and the abuse of women and girls**, a sensitive and painful pastoral issue that needs to be brought into the light. Let's consider together where God is in our pain and how we might help victims of violence and abuse bear the load by:

- Recognising what abuse and violence is
- How to report abuse and violence
- How to actively listen when abuse is disclosed
- How we can actively support abuse victims

The ministry of pastoral care and prayer will be offered for those who wish to stay for further conversation. All personal details, stories and names will be subject to the highest confidentiality.

- **Date:** Saturday 30th October, 2021
- **Venue:** Aitkenvale Uniting Church, Ross River Rd
- **Start time:** 8.30am for coffee -- 9.00 am Worship
- **Finish time** - approx. 12.00md
- **Morning tea** provided
- **No cost** but donations gratefully accepted

R.S.V.P by Monday 24th October to aitkenvaleuc@bigpond.com

Or phone - 0427 495329



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RECEIVES ME, AND
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HIM WHO SENT ME**

**-JESUS
MARK 9:37**



Room Needed


For female teaching professional

4th School Term

Please contact Kate Mills

0449 182 126

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Offerings to date
14 September 2021
\$1,626.32

Budgeted expenditure year to date. \$102,165

Offerings Year to date
\$73981.19

Shortfall of income
\$28,183.81



Send love and fight poverty!

Uniting World's set of eight beautiful Christmas cards are now ready for pre-order. These cards bring hope and joy not just to friends and family, but to people working hard to free themselves from poverty overseas. \$15 per pack of eight proceeds give life to our international partners.



The new catalogue will be available soon at www.everythingincommon.com.au but you can order poverty-fighting Christmas card packs now!

**Rosters & Readings for
26th September 2021**

9 am Service	
Preacher	Graham Huth
Reader	Achamma
Door Stewards	RuthnM, Greg, Lesley
Offering	Greg S, Ian D
Livestream	Grace
Data	Richard
Organ	Carmel
Morning Tea	Anne & Giordano L

Lectionary Readings

*Esth 7:1-6,9-10, 9:20-22, Ps 124,
James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50*

AUC Prayer Network.
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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.)