

Outreach 17th October 2021

9am Graham Huth

Readings

Job 38:1-7, 34-41, Ps 104:1-9,24,35c Heb 5:1-10. Mark 10:35-45



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.

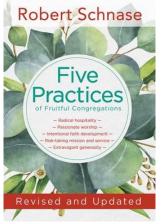
Wisdom for our leaders of Synod, Carpentaria.

AUC members considering nominations for Elder or church council. Wisdom for Elders and church council members continuing another year.

Mental health sufferers. families and carers. Beyond Blue, Headspace and organisations that support, this M H week.

Healing, comfort & strength for all who await medical procedures and live each day with pain and illness.

Five Signs of a Fruitful Congregation



At the course I attended recently in Brisbane, someone mentioned a book that they had found very helpful. I was intrigued by the title, and immediately bought it. The book is called 'Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations' by Robert Schnase. What particularly stood out to me was the way the five practices mentioned in this book echo our own

church practices as addressed by our ministry Streams.

Over the next few weeks we will examine the work of our Streams in the light of Bishop Schnase's insights, but more importantly in the light of Scripture to discern how we as individuals and as a church can live out the message and mission of Christ in new or better ways that will impact the world around us, and allow us to bear much fruit.

The five practices of the book, and our Streams that correspond to them are:

- Radical Hospitality (Fellowship Stream)
- Passionate Worship (Worship Stream)
- Intentional Faith Development (Discipleship Stream)
- Risk-Taking Mission and Service (Outreach Stream)
- Extravagant Generosity (Service Stream)

This week our focus is on Radical Hospitality. Almost all churches with which I have ever engaged have prided themselves on being 'welcoming'. But in truth, do we truly exercise the radical hospitality that was a hallmark of Jesus' ministry and teachings? Welcoming the stranger involves more than a smile and a handshake. We are called to welcome others, just as Christ has welcomed us (Rom 15:7). Now that's a real challenge.

Pastor Graham Huth

Sunday Service 17-10-2021

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/ channelUCM yuTGxZEXsdQPd3XEQbtA/live

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



Nominations open for Elders and Church Council for 2022

At our Congregational Meeting on **Sunday 14 November**, we will be electing our Church Council and Elders for the new year. Nominations are now being called, for at least 4 Elders, and up to 5 for Church Council.

The following people are finishing their term this year but are eligible for renomination:

Elders: Julie Adamson, Fred Annesley and David Mills

Church Council: Grace Frankling, Kate Mills, Ron Store and Jayne Jackson

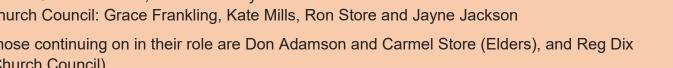
Those continuing on in their role are Don Adamson and Carmel Store (Elders), and Reg Dix (Church Council)

Nominations close 31 October 2021. Forms are in the Church Foyer and are being distributed by email with the Outreach.

Please pray that God, through the inspiration and discernment of the Holy Spirit will make it clear who our leaders will be for next year.

If you believe that is you, please speak to Pastor Graham or one of our current Elders about how you can serve in either of these important ministries.

We are particular need for Elders to assist in the Spiritual and Pastoral oversight of our Congregation.



Men's Prayer Morning - 30 October

An urgent and important invitation for men to gather for prayer against domestic violence.



As men, we need stand in Christian solidarity against any violence or abuse that is such an affront to God, and the love that was at the heart of the world's creation.

Please come and pray for the world, an end to domestic violence, and for ourselves that we will be faithful in our own love and support of the women in our lives.

When: 30 October 2021 9am-12pm Where: TBA depending on numbers

If you are interested, please contact Pastor Graham Huth (Aitkenvale Uniting Church) Ph. 0427 495 329 or graham.huth@bigpond.com

AUC WOMENS' RETREAT

Loving God, wrapped in light and present with us at all times, open our hearts to your Spirit before, during and after the retreat. Let us know the sweet favour with which you bless your children. Where we are empty, give us a vision of the cross, that we may see more and more, the beauty of Christ that transcends suffering. Where there is fear, shame or misplaced guilt, release the broken-hearted from the dark prison of a violent past that in the light of Christ they will find their worth and freedom in the crucified and risen One. Bless those who will be praying for the retreat that they too may be open to your Spirit. May this brief journey into domestic violence, inspire us all to work more diligently for justice and deepen our resolve to love the down-trodden and bear one another's burdens. In Jesus name, amen.

"How am I using what God has given me?"

TEAR Fund's "Call for All Creation"

The COVID-19 pandemic has meant that for the first time in decades, progress to end poverty is being reversed. Even before COVID -19, the deepening climate crisis was making poverty and hunger worse, and threatening to displace millions of people from their homes.

When faced with this reality, we often wonder – but what can I do?

There are **LOTS** of things we can do. Each small step builds to make a **huge** impact.

Sign the call for all creation

Use the QR Code Send in the postcard

See Kate for more information



Bring a reusable coffee/tea cup to church

They come in all shapes, colours, sizes and brands. Get them from the op shop, Coles, Woolies, Kmart! Bring a favourite cup from home!

Join us in blessing and resourcing our Aitkenvale School Community Garden

Time (at a working bee)
Talents (share a skill / knowledge)
Plants (check with Kate, Dave, Jayne)
Money (for resourcing the project)
Prayer





AITKENVALE STATE SCHOOL BREKKY CLUB

As always we are very thankful for all the supplies provided by our faithful members. It has been a great blessing to the students.

The last term has started with a big influx of children attending the breakfast club and we are in need of the following supplies - Longlife milk, pancake mixes, Milo, weetbix and baked beans for the present moment.

Could you kindly bring these to the church and either leave it in the foyer or hand over to one of the ASS breakfast club volunteers - Kate, Naomi, Ruth, Cath or Achamma.

We were privileged to have the school principal visit the breakfast club while in session this morning and guess what - It was one of our very own ex-member, none other than Tom Franklin. Tom has started with ASS as the new principal just this week !!! Indeed what a privilege and a blessing. We certainly look forward to working even more closely and know that God has great plans as we continue to trust and obey.



Revive Us Again?

What is revival anyway? Do we actually want it? What would it even look like today?

Join the conversation online or in person at Trinity College Queensland, Level 1, 60 Bayliss Street, AUCHENFLOWER 4066

Date: Thursday 21st October 2021 7-8.30pm



Mandy Smith

Mandy is an experienced pastor and author of numerous books on pastoral ministry and is currently is pastoring at St Lucia Uniting Church'.



Simon Gomersall

Simon lectures in historical and contemporary mission at Trinity College Queensland as well as pastoring at Graceville Uniting Church.

along to

speak. Morning tea, don't forget your cup.

Come

hear

Graham

For more info and to secure your spot, visit: trinity.qld.edu.au/event/tr

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)

Offerings to date 12th Oct 2021

\$1,947.62

Budgeted expenditure year to date. \$113,635

> Offerings Year to date \$81,160,37

Shortfall of income \$32,474.63

Rosters & Readings for 24th October 2021

9 am Service

Preacher	Graham Huth
Reader	Val D
Door Stewards	Grace F, Greg, Lesley
Offering	lan D, Greg S
Livestream	Carmel
Data	Richard
Organ	Don A
Morning Tea	Anne & Giordano L

Lectionary Readings

Job 42:1-6, 10-17, Ps 34:1-8,19,22, Heb 7:23-28, Mark 10:46-52

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: <u>aucprayer@bigpond.com</u>, 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.)