

Outreach 28th November, 2021

a place to belong Preaching

9am Graham Huth



Readings

Jer 33:14-16. Ps 25: 1-10. 1 Thess 3: 9-13. Luke 21: 25-36



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.

God's guidance and wisdom to the leaders of the wider Uniting Church, Carpentaria Presbytery and local church community.

Peace Strength & healing for those who continually fight illness.

Teachers and students as they complete and mark 2021 exams.

Advent study leaders and those attending.

Thoughtful discernment and respectful conversation in Parliament as they consider the Religious Discrimination Bill.

Safety spaces for every life.



"it is always easier to see the beginning from the end, than the end from the beginning."

Julia McNair Wright

Today marks the beginning of Advent and the commencement of a new

church year. Thus, we automatically turn our gaze to the future. But which future lies within your gaze? celebrating Christmas and the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, focusing on the New Year and the blessings and challenges that are starting to emerge, or perhaps Advent has given you cause to lift your gaze even further, towards the impending return of Christ as he has promised, and for which we live in hope?

Advent is a season of preparation in which the church recalls its hope and expectation in the coming of Christ. past, present and future. And while traditionally, we enter the season considering things in that order, our Advent Studies, which we commenced last week have encouraged, and challenged us to turn this around. Because sometimes, it is better to start at the end in order to better understand the significance of the past, and the reality of the present context in which we live.

In the study, 'The Gospel of Advent', Kelli Trujillo says, "When we begin at the end, Advent startles us in just the right way: jolting us out of our comfortable Christianity and familiar discipleship and drawing us into deeper repentance, devotion, and hope. When we start with this eschatological vision, we can then rightly approach the manger—for we know that there, wrapped in swaddling clothes, is the Savior whose glorious return is indeed our blessed hope, "our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ."

May we be startled out of our usual Christmas customs, so as to almost see Jesus for the first time, and look forward with a renewed hope for the future.

Pastor Graham Huth

Sunday Service 28-11-2021 1st Advent

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.





Service of Closure for Pastor Graham 12 December, 9am

Although Pastor Graham will be working and preaching until the end of the year, an official service of closure will be conducted as part of the 9am service on the **12th December**.

This will allow an opportunity for as many people as possible to attend before Christmas holidays and other events prevent people from being available.

Rev Christy Allen and other Presbytery members will be at our morning service as the process begins to farewell Graham in preparation for the next part of his and Ann-Louise's journey, as well as that of the Aitkenvale Uniting Church.





To Pay for curry:

When you have made your order, please place your money in an envelope, mark it curry and add it to the offering bag. Please bring along your own container for taking home. An example is on the table in the foyer.



Hall Blessing

The work on the hall is finally finished - Praise God! It looks great.

To thank all of those who played a part in the work, and to bless and recommission the hall for the future ministry and mission that it will enable, there will be a short ceremony following our service this Sunday 28 December.

We will have some of the many workers, advisors and tradespeople along for this ceremony.

After this, everyone will be invited to have a walk through and see the results of all the hard work. So please stay for this opening service and to share morning tea with our guests.





Offerings to date 23 Nov 2021

Week 16 Nov. \$1,762.00

Budgeted expenditure year to date. \$130,705

Offerings Year to date \$93,115.90

Shortfall of income \$37,589.10

AUC Bank Details:

Bank: ANZ

BSB: 014-010

Account Number:

287295271

Account Name: Aitkenvale

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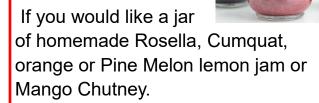
Reference: Offering, Donation (no need to include your name or

any other details)

Homemade Jam & Chutney

\$5 a jar

All monies go to the Distress fund.



See Bill or Vi Radcliffe.

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 5th December 2021

9 am Service Preacher **Graham Huth** Reader Ross W **Door Stewards** Ruth, Greg, Merle Offering Greg S. Peter Dave M Livestream **Data** Joan Organ Carmel Jillian B, Bronwyn A **Morning Tea** Peter & Lyn P

Lectionary Readings

Mal 3:1-4, Luke 1:68-79, 3:1-6, Phil 1:3-11

