

Preaching
9am Graham Huth



Readings

*Mic 5:2-5a,
Ps 80:1-7,
Heb 10:5-10,
Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)*



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.

Graham & Ann-Louise to be
blessed in their future ventures.
Thankfulness for all the
blessings they have been here
at AUC.

The real meaning of Christmas
be received through the
message of Jesus. Love be
shared to all.

God's guidance and wisdom to
the Elders & leaders of AUC and
local Churches.

God's message spread at Stable
on the strand for many to hear
and be blessed.

Peace Strength & healing for
those who continually fight
illness.

Strength for the family of
Gwenda (Gwen) Eberle.

"God grant you the light in
Christmas, which is faith;
the warmth of Christmas,
which is love;
the radiance of Christmas,
which is purity;
the righteousness of
Christmas, which is justice;
the belief in Christmas,
which is truth;
the all of Christmas,
which is Christ."

(Wilda English)

Have a most Holy and Happy Christmas

Pastor Graham Huth

Sunday Service 19-12-2021

4th 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/channel/UCM_yuTGxZEXsdQPd3XEQbtA/live

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



This is the final outreach for 2021.

The outreach will recommence for Sunday 23rd January 2022.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and many blessings for a safe and Happy New Year.



Stable on the Strand presents
Watch the City come alive
Stable on the Streets
1st - 24th December 2021
Evenings

Townsville's Christmas Festival
Stable at Riverway
18th - 22nd December 2021
6pm - 9:30pm

Stable on the Strand
at Riverway
North Queensland Christmas Festival

Don't forget **Stable on the Strand** – this year located at **Riverway**.



Every night from the 18th -22nd of December, 6 – 9pm.

Have you seen our fun pop-up nativity scene on Ross River Road? Big thanks to the amazing team of Dave, Trevor, Ken and Ian who put it up on Monday – helping to spread the true message of Christmas, about Christ's coming to the world as a baby. An important message of **hope, joy and peace** for all of Townsville.

AUC SERVICE TIMES

Christmas Day

25th December

8am

Boxing Day:

26th December

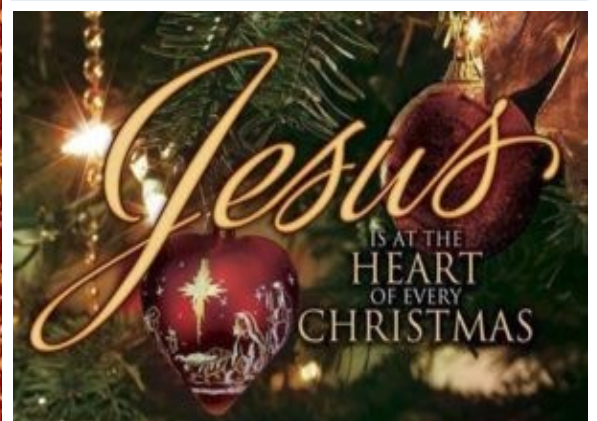
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Table Tennis Table:

Do you have or know of a good quality second-hand table tennis table that would be able to be donated for the hall ministry.



If so phone Fred, 0400 309 912.





Latest Update for Covid by AUC Church Council

Friends

I am sure that you are aware that from Friday 17 The Queensland Government will implement new public health and social measures linked to vaccination status. Places of worship at present are exempt from having to restrict attendees to those with full vaccination status but if a major outbreak of Covid Omicron variant occurs in Queensland, the Queensland government directives may change.

Using a range of advice and information available, Church Council has decided that:

For our weekly services we will continue with our present arrangements; that is, people from the same household can sit together and the 1.5 distancing rule applies for everyone else.

For our Christmas Day Service we will follow a ticketed allocated seating system as this is a one-off service.

This will allow us to move to 100% capacity. We will need extra help at the registration table to check people in, issue seat numbers and record who is sitting where. We will also need greeters/ushers to show people to their allocated seats.

If you will be attending worship on Christmas Day and would be willing to assist on the front desk or as an usher, please let me know as soon as possible.

If you are concerned about sharing with some people who may not be vaccinated, you may choose to wear a mask. As usual, the congregation should be advised that if they are feeling unwell or have come from a covid hotspot they should not attend church.

If you have any questions, please ask our covid advisors, Carmel and Don, or myself.

Ron Store

Chair

Church Council



Farewell to Graham & Ann-Louise

Sunday 26th December

will be Graham's last official preaching day.

We say Farewell (not goodbye) and Thank God so much the blessings Graham & Ann Louise bought to AUC in so many ways.

We wish you the richest of blessings as you take up your new ventures.





Welcome to Gail and Travis Whebell, family and friends.

Congratulations to all the family as we share the celebration of baptism of their son, Grandson and Great Grandson **William Whebell.**



Last chance:

Cards & Gifts for Christmas!

Visit the stand in the breezeway after church

Cash & credit card excepted.

**Offerings to date
14 Dec. 2021
Week \$1,562.65**

Budgeted expenditure year to date. \$139,240

Offerings Year to date \$99,376.05

**Shortfall of income
\$39,863.95**

Congregational Meeting 2021 Reports

All leaders of church streams. Please be advised that reports will be required early in the new year.

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)

Rosters & Readings for 25th December 2021

8 am Service	
Preacher	Graham Huth
Reader	Achamma
Door Stewards	Ruth, Greg, Lesley
Offering	Greg S, Ian
Livestream	Don
Data	Ken
Organ	Carmel
Morning Tea	None

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.)

Lectionary Readings
1 Sam 2:18-20, 26, Ps 148, Col 3: 12-17, Luke 2: 41-52



Share Christmas

Share food, shelter and lifesaving support with a refugee in Ethiopia this Christmas

If you wish to share God's Love and help create a better world for others, take an envelope from the table in the foyer. Complete it and place it in the offering bag.

Christ the King Sunday

The Christmas Bowl of Remembrance

It's been more than 70 years since Reverend Frank Byatt started the Christmas Bowl. He put a Bowl of Remembrance on his Christmas dinner table and asked his loved ones to place a gift in it to 'share your good dinner with hungry children in other lands'. Please join with us again this Christmas Bowl, as together we share God's love, helping create a world where uprooted people have a safe place to belong. **Please give today.**

CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 86 619 970 188

Christmas Outreach – Hamper for Townsville Women's Centre

Thank you SO much for your generosity. Jayne delivered an overflowing basket of love and practical goodies to the Women's Centre this week. They were very thankful! Keep bringing items in for this Sunday – any extras we'll deliver as a bonus.

As a reminder, these are the items they are requesting:
Toiletries (including pampering-type options!)



Sanitary products

Nappies

Tins of unopened formula

Woolworths vouchers (for the families to be able to choose what they need for Christmas)

Please bring items and place them in the washing basket near the front entrance.

Any questions: Kate (0449 182 126) or Jayne (0416 275 790)



Do you know what CREST is?



The Open Minds Community Re-Entry Service Team (CREST) works in partnership with the Queensland Correctional Service within the Correctional Centre, Probation and Parole office in Townsville. They support men and women on parole to help make re-entry into the community a success, and to find stable accommodation.

We have several handmade cotton bags, donated and made by the young people at the Cleveland Youth Detention Centre that we are filling with items to help them feel supported in their transition.

Would you like to "adopt" a bag and fill it with items? Maybe a couple of people could fill a bag together? Individual donations of supplies to make up bags are still greatly appreciated! The items needed to fill the bags include:

Soap, Toothbrush and paste, Snacks, Shampoo, Thongs, Socks and Wipes.

Please see Jayne for more information, or to pick up a bag to fill. Thanks for your generosity so far!

