

weekly bulletin

31 May 2020



Growing in Christ | Showing Christ | Going Christ's Way

Bible readings:

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2: 1-21; Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b;

1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13; John 20: 19-23

Weekly reflection

Happy Birthday Church! yes Pentecost Sunday is the day that we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit the one who was promised by Jesus who would come after him. The coming of the Spirit also signifies the birth of Christ's church on earth, in that reading from Acts it was the Spirit that bought all the people together not only to worship their God but it was the Spirit that gave them the ability to understand one another and in doing so truly become one people thereby creating the on Holy catholic and apostolic church. As we continue to find ourselves in this isolated state it is more important than ever to know that it is the Holy Spirit that continues to connect us to our God and to each other. May we rejoice in the coming of the Holy Spirit this Pentecost and may we know the blessing of the Spirit as it continues to connect us to each other in this time of isolation.

God Bless,
Rev. Andrew

Contribute:

Email communications.oxleydarrauc@gmail.com by 7pm Thursday with notices for next week's bulletin.

Please pray for:

- Vicki, Joel and Zac after the funeral for Brian. May the Lord keep them comforted in His arms during this time of their grief.
- those who are recovering from surgery or needing more surgery - Pam G, Geoff I, David W.
- During this 20th anniversary of National Reconciliation week, let us celebrate the reconciliation of all peoples, particularly indigenous Australians.
- members of our community in nursing homes and their families who feel further isolated from them at this time - Del A, Claire M, Margaret R, Lorraine I, Margaret A, Joyce H.
- the congregation of Beachmere UC and their Minister, Rev Michelle Schumack.
- those people who have lost their jobs and are not eligible for the JobKeeper wage subsidy, especially migrant workers.
- Glenys T. as she prepares to move house to north Brisbane

Combined Pentecost service our service this Sunday is a combined service from right across the Bremer Brisbane Presbytery produced by our own Sam Gunders. You can find it on our website or follow the email link .

Congregational Profile and Joint Nominating Committee

The Oxley CLT has completed the congregational profile for the process to start the call of a new ministry agent. As part of this process, the congregation needs to form a Joint Nominating Committee.

The Oxley CLT recommends the following names for the JNC:

- Heather Coupland
- Gayle Rankin
- Nerida Millar
- Al Tay
- John Gunders
- Graham Hodgson

RESULT - As scrutineers for counting the returns of those nominated for the JNC, we are happy to confirm that the members of the congregation who returned their votes affirmed the above recommendation of those named by the Congregational Leadership Team. - Graham Coupland and David Greer.

Staying Connected during this Time of Need

It is good to stay connected to church family members during this time of isolation. You can write letters to connect with someone lonely. You can make or send cards to bless someone you may not even know. You can make phone calls to chat or pray with an aged care resident.

If you have some time and a lot of love, you can reach out and help connect with our church family in aged care or isolated in their home.

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Online worship and devotional resource

Our worship services are being recorded and available online on our YouTube channel and website at oxleydarrauc.org.au .

Devotional resources

- Lectio 365 follow this link for a free online daily devotional that can be downloaded as an App to your phone or tablet.

Giving in a time of Isolation

Giving of our resources for the work of God in our world is an ongoing covenant we make with God. During this time, when we cannot make our physical offering via the collection plate, you might consider giving via direct debit, even if it is only during this current crisis. The details for our bank are as follows.

Account Name: Oxley-Darra UCA
Parish Offerings Account

BSB: 064 011 (Commonwealth Bank)

Account Number: 1003 2190

Friday Night Youth and Sunday Connect go virtual

Thanks to the efforts of Holly, our youth and children's activities are happening via Zoom. If you would like to participate in these programs email holly.jewell@optusnet.com.au

