

weekly bulletin

5 July 2020



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

Bible readings:

Pentacost 5

Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45: 10-17;

Romans 7: 15-25a; Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

Weekly reflection

Jesus said "come to me all who are weary and I will give you rest." At one time or other most of us will feel a bit weary with life, concerns about family, the loss of a loved one, the uncertainty of employment, the difficult decisions, they can all leave us feeling worn out and wondering how do we get through it all? Jesus comes to us in those times of weariness and calls us to lay our burdens, our cares, our worries and concerns on him. For his is there to share our burdens, to care for us in our times of need, even to cry with us when the going seems to tough. He is there to pick us up and give us renewed hope, renewed energy and the promise that no matter what life throws at us his love for us will never fail and his hope endures forever. Let us in these uncertain times cast our cares and concerns on him and let us rest in his love this day and always.

God Bless,
Rev. Andrew

Please pray for:

- continued prayer for all who mourn the loss of loved ones at this time.
- those who are recovering from surgery or needing more surgery or recently hospitalised - Pam G, Nerida M.
- Peace and understanding to all people throughout this great land.
- 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 Caboolture Region UC and their Minister, Pastor Dave Greig.
- those people who have lost their jobs and are not eligible for the JobKeeper wage subsidy, especially migrant workers.
- The Jarvis family on Lauren's move to Emerald this week
- people who are travelling, now that covid restrictions have been lifted

Contribute:

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

Safe ministry for children

For those people who have completed the Safe Ministry for Children workshop 2 years ago, you are now able to update it online. For further details please send an email to Melloney at the Presbytery office - office@bremerbrisbane.org.au

Recommencing Sunday Worship

You may have heard that the Qld Government is allowing up to 100 people to begin physically worshipping again with the appropriate spacing. Oxley church with all partitions open could hold 74 people. There are many restrictions still in place around cleaning, workplace health and safety and vulnerable persons. The Oxley CLT has agreed **not to recommence** face-to-face worship until we have clear guidelines from the Queensland Synod. Everyone will be advised when normal services recommence, possibly the first Sunday of August at the earliest

Oxley Worship Today Sunday 5th July Live-streamed

We hope that our worship today the 5th July will be live-streamed **at 10am**. This will mean that you should be able to watch the service live via our youtube channel. If however we cannot get the technology to work for us we will be recording the service and will post it on our youtube channel or on our webpage later in the day and will send out a link via our communications email. DVD's of the service will be available after the service for those without internet access. Unfortunately only those taking part in the service will be able to be present during the livestream.

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Project Plenty - Qld Synod Five year strategic plan.

The Qld Synod of the Uniting Church has released its draft plan for the next five years called "Shared life. Flourishing communities" You are invited to a virtual workshop run by the Bremer Brisbane Presbytery on **Wednesday the 8th July at 7pm.**

Zoom here: Project Plenty Zoom
You can read the report and find other information on the website . ucaqld.com.au/projectplenty
contact Rev. Andrew for more details

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. Please 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

DATE CLAIMER SUNDAY 23RD August -
Celebration service for Rev Andrew Gunton, his ministry at Oxley and his future leadership in the role of Moderator for Uniting Church, Queensland. (subject to government restrictions being lifted)

