

weekly bulletin

8 November 2020



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

Bible readings:

Pentecost 23

Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78: 1-7;

1Thessalonians 4: 13-18; Matthew 25: 1-13

Weekly reflection

In today's Old Testament reading we hear Joshua's challenge to the Jews as they enter the promised land, "Choose this day whom you will serve!" Just a week after we chose our new government in Queensland and a few days after the American people were choosing who would lead them for the next four years, we are confronted by this further call to choose. Perhaps we can look to a moment when we said yes to Jesus' call to follow. Many of us can point to such a moment in the past but even more important, and this has been the practice of the saints, is that each day we determine "to choose this day whom we will serve." May God bless us in all our choosing and may our choices bring glory to God and blessing to others. Ian Smallbone

Oxley Worship Today Sunday 8th Nov - Live-streamed

Our worship today the 8th November will again be live-streamed **at 10am**. This will mean for those who can't make the service in person, you will be able to watch it live via our youtube channel. We will also record the service and will post it on our youtube channel later in the day. DVD's of the service will be available for those without internet access.

Contribute:

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

Please pray for:

- The Gunders family, Sharyn S and Tresona on the recent passing of close relatives
- those who are still recovering from surgery or needing more surgery or recently hospitalised - Clyde L, David W, Harry T,
- 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, Stan O, Pam G.
- the congregation of the Graceville UC and its minister Rev Aaron Moad
- Give thanks for the partial re-opening of borders between states
- Rev Ian and his wife Glenys.
- The family of Bessie Rolley

Vale Bessie Rolley. This week one of our long time members, Bessie Rolley, was called to be with the Lord. Her funeral will be held tomorrow at our church.

Three members of the congregation have accepted nominations for the upcoming CLT elections. They are Leona Greer, Graham Hodgson and Irene Latigan. Please pray for them as they consider this new role

Rev Ian Smallbone

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CLT UPDATE At the recent CLT meeting it was decided that this year there would be NO Christmas Carols held in the Oxley State School oval. As well there would be NO carolling in peoples' houses. Instead we will be holding a Christmas Carol service one Sunday evening close to Christmas. More information to follow

Church Financial Update:

The Church's profit/loss for October is \$1,994.19 Gain.

The Church's profit/loss for the Year to Date is \$31,819.12 Gain.

Should you have any questions regarding the Church's finances please contact Russell Green.

Date Claimer - 22 November

11.15am Congregational Meeting to elect new CLT members and adopt next year's budget.

To all leaders of the various groups within the church. The CLT is compiling a yearly planner for 2021. Should you have any request for any dates next year please see Leona or send an email to Communications.

