

# weekly bulletin

22 November 2020



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

## Bible readings:

Christ the King

Ezekial 34: 11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100;

Ephesians 1: 15-23; Matthew 25: 31-46

## Weekly reflection

What do you think when you hear the word 'stewardship'? Today, as we reflect on the parable of the talents, we will be considering what it means to be a 'steward', being a minder, as distinct from being an owner, and what it took for the faithful stewards to be affirmed as 'good and faithful' servants. Stewardship is often used today in the context of the environment and the first Australians are acknowledged as having been good stewards of the land. There are stewards at race meetings who are charged with the oversight and smooth running of events. In church circles, it's usually about money and will we have enough for our mission and ministry goals. There are many lessons to be learned from this parable. Bottom line for me is that God is looking for a return from what he has entrusted to us and as we are faithful stewards, we can look forward to hearing those amazing words: "Well done good and faithful servant."

See you in church.

Ian Smallbone

## Date Claimer - Sunday 13th

December - 11.15am. Rev Andrew Gunton will join us for a picnic lunch in Cawonga Park, opposite the church, for his farewell that we have had to postpone from earlier in the year. Please bring all your picnic goodies as we are unable to share due to Covid 19.

This year we are not able to supply Christmas hampers to families from Inala Family and Accommodation Services. However, we will be giving the families food vouchers which they may redeem for their Christmas goodies. As such, we will have the opportunity to contribute to this worthy cause in the coming weeks.

## Contribute:

Email [communications.oxleydarrauc@gmail.com](mailto:communications.oxleydarrauc@gmail.com) by 7pm Thursday with notices for next week's bulletin.

## Please pray for:

- Congregational meeting this morning, the three members who have been nominated for CLT positions and the business within the meeting
- those who are still recovering from surgery or needing more surgery or recently hospitalised - Clyde L, David W, David G, Leona
- 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 Emmanuel UC, Enoggera and its minister Rev Brian Hoole
- Rev Ian and his wife Glenys.
- Year 12 students as they have now completed their schooling

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

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.

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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.

**Today - 22 November** 11.15am Congregational Meeting to elect new CLT members and adopt next year's budget. Also available in the foyer are - the Agenda for this meeting, minutes of the last meeting and 2019 reports from the various groups within the church. These have also be sent by electronic media.

