

21 February 2021



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## **Bible readings:**

Lent 1,

Genesis 9: 8-17; Psalm 25: 1-10; 1 Peter 3: 18-22; Mark 1: 9-15

# **Weekly reflection**

What's your Code?

I'm not sure who amongst us are movie buffs? If you are you will know the Fast and Furious movie series. If you're not that's Ok – you will follow this thread anyway. In one of those movies there is stand-off between the 'goodie' and the 'baddie'. And the question being asked and answered is what's your code? One responds that it's precision! The other says – Family! One is about what – the other is about who!

In the movie it is this 'code', or we might say insight or conviction that drives passion, commitment and their behaviour – be it good or not so good. As we launch into Lent, I think it's a great question for us as followers of Jesus! What is our code? What is it that drives us to be disciples and to be discipled? The prophet Isaiah (58: 4 & 5) reminds us quite clearly that our attitude, our focus, our heart needs to be 'right' for God to bless us. We can go through the motions but that's not enough – our motive is critical! Let's choose to live by God's Code – His Family Code – brought to us by Jesus - through the Cross - and enabled by His Spirit releasing us to be His people.

Be Blessed

Dave

**Safe Ministry for Children** - It is important that members of the congregation who participate in Children's ministry (including Day Camp/Funfari) are up to date with the training every 2 years. The next training sessions are - **Saturday 6 March** - 2pm - 5pm at Bremer Brisbane Presbytery Office, Goodna TBC. **Saturday 5 June** 2pm - 5pm at Bremer Brisbane Presbytery Office, Goodna TBC. See Holly for registrations.

### **Contribute:**

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

## Please pray for:

- members of our church family who have been recently hospitalised or have doctor's appointments - Graham K, Leona
- members of our community in nursing homes and their families who feel further isolated from them at this time - Del A, Claire M, Lorraine I, Margaret A, Joyce H, Stan O, Pam G, Desley F.
- the members of Meringindan UC as it closes today with a final service
- Rev Dave and his wife Sandy
- Recent CLT positions

#### **CLT POSITIONS.**

At the recent CLT meeting the following people were elected to these positions -Chairperson - Leona Greer **Deputy Chairperson - John Gunders** Secretary - Vicki Robinson Assist. Secretary - Miriam King Treasurer - Russell Green Assist. Treasurer - Grant Erickson Blue Card Registrar - Miriam King and Assistant - Jenny Hodgson Privacy Officer and Archival caretaker Harry Thompson Web Master - John Gunders and Assistant Barry Holcroft Safe Ministry with Children Co-ord. and Covid19 Warden - Holly Jewell Risk Management Co-ord. - Barry Holcroft

## **Rev Dave Thomas**

#### Minister

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### **Upcoming Date Claimers**

**Sunday 21.2.21** - Both services -Commissioning of all leaders within our church

Sunday 28.2.21 - Pastoral Care meeting after morning church Friday 5.3.21 - World Day of Prayer, Sherwood UC at 10am Saturday 6.3.21 2pm - Safe Ministry for Children training -Bremer Birsbane Presbytery office

Saturday 20.3.21 - 8am

Working Bee at the church to tidy the gardens, trees and hedges.

Lenten Studies 2021. Rob Duncan, one of our church family members, has compiled a study series for the upcoming Lenten season. This study is a guided program of bible readings which can be used as a personal reflection or in small groups. On Ash Wednesday 17th February

**Date for your diary** - Church Family Camp - Bribie Island weekend of 23-25 April 2021

open your bibles and join with us

