weekly bulletin

UNITING CHURCH

13 June 2021

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

Bible readings:

Pentecost 3

1 Sam 15:34-16:13 Psalm 20 2 Cor 5:6-10 Mark 4:26-34

Weekly reflection

INTERRUPTION – AND THEN?

How do we respond to interruption? We all get it! It can be frustrating, or it can be rewarding. Over the last 2 years or so I have gained a love for walking – not that I have done that much since coming here. I know – I need to get my act together – suggestions for decent walks with minimal car/noise interference accepted. I confess though that when I walk, I like to walk and not be stopped or dare I say interrupted. I was walking with Jazz – our beloved German Shepherd – a few years back on the Gold Coast and with or without lead she would be close by. We were walking back home one night through the local park and Jazz stopped and bailed me up – interruption. She kept looking at these bushes and growling standing in front of me. If I tried to move around her, she would reposition herself to avoid me moving forward. I got angry and roused on her – I needed to get home – it was already too late! Fast forward – Jazz saved me that night from what may have been a disaster. She knew something I didn't and that knowledge overtook any instruction or 'normal' walking activity.

Our reflection from 1 Samuel this morning is about two men – both of whom were interrupted because God knew something they did not, and anything 'normal' now became obsolete. I am sure for both there was confusion, conflict, and a sense of chaos. But both allowed themselves to go with the interruption, nonetheless. And this interruption was continuing the process of unfolding the Mission of God and His covenant relationship with His people – that's us! Next time we're interrupted, pause and think – because there just may be a greater purpose yet unknown to us!

Be Blessed

Dave

Contribute:

Email **communications.oxleydarrauc@gmail.com** by 9am 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 or are feeling unwell, anxious or stressed -David W, Graham K.
- Holly J as she expectantly awaits a placement with Qld Ambulance Service.
- 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 congregation of Atherton UC and their minister Rev Johnston Makoti
- The continuing Covid 19 crisis.
- Gayle Rankin as she enters her Period of Discernment
- Assembly of the UCA meets (via social media) next month. Please pray for wisdom in all decisions
- Upcoming Chrysalis Flight 23-25 July
- Rev Dave and his wife Sandy

DAY CAMP & FUN FARI 2021!!! Young Leaders Training Evening Friday 18 June 7.30pm - 9pm at

Oxley Uniting Church.

We still need more young leaders so if you have any friends you would like to hang out with for the week we welcome their registration at https://www.oxleydarrauc.org.au/.
Our second training event will be

Monday 28 June 9.00am - 12.00pm at

the Corinda Pony Club.

Any questions please see Holly Jewell.

Rev Dave Thomas

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<u>Upcoming Date Claimers</u> Sunday 13.06.21

9.00am - Morning Service6.30pm - Evening Service

Thursday 17.06.21 7.00pm - CLT Meeting

Friday 18.06.21

7.30pm - Young Leaders Training -Day Camp

Sunday 20.06.21

9.00am - Morning Service **6.30pm** - Evening Service -Cafe Church

Monday 21.06.21

9.30am - Social & Craft Club

Thursday 24.06.21

9.30am - Garden Club

Sunday 27.06.21

6.30pm - Evening Service - live-streamed

Sunday 20th June

Rob Duncan will be leading us in worship for both services

Sunday 27th June

Our morning service will be held at the Day Camp site - Corinda Pony Club. No morning worship at the Church that morning. Any questions see Holly, Steph, Jan, Miriam or Dave.



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