

General Notices

-Service & Duty Rosters Thank you to all who offer and respond to serve in the many ways you do to enable our worship and our time together. Allan is preparing the roster schedule for the next period. Please let Allan know what you would like to do and, if you are not already on the roster and would like to be, please think about what you might be able to do. Please remember there is also opportunity to help in setting up for playgroup on Tuesday mornings from 7am. Please see James or Jan for further information for playgroup.

-World Day of Prayer 6 March, 9am at Salvation Army, Maroochydore

Prepared by the women of Zimbabwe, let us gather with our neighbouring churches to share in this worship and fellowship together. We each have a part to play in the service.

-James (and Kris) will be on Leave from Thursday 27 February, to attend a family wedding and return on [] Thank you to Rev Allan Kuchler for leading the worship on Sunday 1st March.

-Lenten Bible Studies 2020

I have discovered two studies that might interest us. They include DVD presentations and guides.

The Grace of Le Miserables - When grace and Justice meet

The Passion Play - Living the last Days of Jesus

I will have more information next week. We usually have a Monday afternoon, and a Thursday evening gathering and are open to alternate possibilities. Please talk with James.

-Congregational Meeting Sunday 23 February

This is our annual congregational meeting for 2020 and will commence following our service of worship and a brief morning tea. At this meeting we have the opportunity to receive our reports, budget and share hopes and concerns for the forthcoming times. If you have any reports to submit or comments for the agenda, please forward them to Robin Dingle this week.

-SAFE Ministry & Code of Ethics Training, 22nd of February held at Gympie Regional Uniting Church (15 Red Hill Road, Gympie)

9am – Child Safe Ministry - generic for Ministers, Church Councils and lay leaders and any person dealing with young people.

At our recent Church Council meeting we adopted the UCA Qld Synod Policy for Safe Ministry with Children and Workplace Health and Safety.

This is our commitment to one another in love and service.

1pm – Code of Ethics for Ministry Practice

Gympie regional will arrange some form of lunch for those who are doing both workshops... RSVP – Tuesday 18th February.

Return Email admin@maryburnettpres.org.au



The Maroochydore Herald

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9th February 2020



We seek to be a prayerful and listening church

Please note the location of the Hearing Loop in the church

*Good morning, welcome to worship at Maroochydore Uniting Church
After worship please join us to share morning tea in the Hall*

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Worship Services

English Language Sundays, 8.30am

Korean Language Sundays, 11am

Korean Leader: Ps. Gil Park

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Thank you for the ongoing support for the Ministry, & Ministry of our Church. A reminder that direct deposit offering is available.

Our Church Banking Details: **UCA Maroochydore Uniting Church**
- St George Bank. BSB 334 040: Account No. 553864 511

Uniting Church Links - For Information from the Wider Church

Qld Synod Information - <https://ucaqld.com.au/>

For links an information to Synod Resources and Activities.

National Assembly News - <https://assembly.uca.org>

Bible Readings

9 February

Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12)

Psalms 112:1-9, (10)

1 Cor 2:1-12, (13-16)

Matthew 5:13-20

Epiphany 5

A Fast for the sake of others

Being secure in the Lord

We have the mind of Christ; let us use it.

Shine-an excessive righteousness?

16 February

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalms 119:1-8

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37

Epiphany 6

Life is a choice, or is it?

Happy/Blessed in the ways of God

moving on to solid food.

Yes, Yes, let our words and thoughts agree

for contemplation – **the heart of the law shines the way**

"Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. " When the fullness in our hearts is not overtaken by the detail of the law then we shine with the glory of God. Jesus takes these simple images that have become part of our common sayings today, salt and light in order to reclaim the heart of the law. You are the salt of the earth and the light of the world is bringing to remembrance the first calling of Israel that they exist for the sake of the nations, the others of the world.

As the Sermon on the Mount unfolds Jesus is already pointing to the woes to the Pharisees and scribes of Mathew 23 where tithing mint, dill, and cumin, and ignoring justice, mercy and faith have overshadowed the heart of the law. It is so tedious dotting I's and crossing T's if that is all that is done. It also makes narrow the heart and rigid the mind. They sadly emptied the law by trying so hard to keep it. So, Jesus says; *"Do not take up the bushel! I have not lit the candle for you to put it under the bushel, in order to protect it from the wind. Away with the bushel! The light should be placed upon a candlestick! It is not your business to worry about whether the light is extinguished or not by the draught."* We are not to worry whether the light is extinguished or not; that is His concern: we are only to see that the light is not hidden away - hidden away perhaps with a noble intent, so that we may bring it out again in calmer times - No: *"Let your light shine."*

An excerpt from a sermon by Marin Niemoller just before his arrest.

This is the law that we are to fulfil; the law, of justice, mercy, and faith. And, when we are full of these things we will literally shine with the glory of God.

Birthdays this week: Ivo Bunker, 13rd Feb; [his 90th]

Please send any notices for next week's 'Herald' to janstrudwickart@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon

Worship & Coming Events February 2020

Sunday

9 February at 8:30 am

Epiphany 5

Korean Worship Service 11am (followed by lunch in the Hall)

Sunday

16 February at 8:30 am at 11 am

Epiphany 6

Korean Worship Service 11am (followed by lunch in the Hall)

Sunday

23 February at 8:30 am at 11 am

Transfiguration

Korean Worship Service 11am (followed by lunch in the Hall)

Regular Happenings Each Week

Mondays:

Morning prayer in the Minister's office 8.30 am.

Pastoral visits to Lifeline/Uniting Care Community

Tuesdays:

Play Group **9-11am in the Church Hall.**

RI at Kuluin and Maroochydore State Schools *(during term)*

Thursdays:

-Fellowship of Fixing *(Church Working Bee from 7.30am)*

-Fellowship morning teas **13th February-VIBE on BRADMAN**

319 Bradman Ave @ 10am. Meet at church at 9.30 as needed.

-GROW Group meet from 5pm; NA group meet from 6.30pm

- Ladies Bible Study restarts 2pm, this Thurs (6th) at the church

Fridays:

NA Group meet: 4-5.30pm in Library Chapel.

Saturdays:

Indoor Bowls from 1pm in Church Hall,

Sundays:

AA Group meet: 5-6.30pm.

Prayers for our world and our people

-we continue to pray for the wise and patient and timely distribution of recovery resources to those in fire, drought and flood affected areas.

-we pray with thanks for the rain, and understand the disruption it causes builders and their livelihoods also.

-we continue to pray for Marie's son Philip, and Bernies' son Colin as they undergo treatment,

-for Barb, Asho and June, Fay, Imn and Hugh, Rita and Doug - we give thanks for God's care for us all.

-we pray for all the activities of our church, and in the church and hall.

Moderator's Prayer

- *Please join us in praying together each Monday at midday:*

Loving God, may your Spirit brood over our land; bring healing to the lives and communities devastated by fire, drought and disruption; humble us to honour one another; help us to see you in our neighbour and fellow Australian. Amen.
Rev David Baker.