



The Maroochydore Herald

Maroochydore Uniting Church_

The Uniting Church in Australia

Uniting in Christ
acting with love
living with hope
witnessing in faith
working for justice

19 April 2020

Easter 2 the week after.....



We seek to be a prayerful and listening church

Good morning, welcome to worship at Maroochydore Uniting Church

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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>.

Birthdays: **Gwen Gould** turns **90**, on Monday 20th

Happy isolated birthday Gwen! We will have a cake for you when church services with congregations resume.

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

Moderator's April Prayer

- Please join us in praying together each Monday at midday

**Lord, we bless you that our times
and seasons are in your hands;
with that confidence, may we be
the blessing you're calling us to be.**

MODERATOR REV DAVID BAKER

Lectionary Bible Readings

April 19 2020 Easter 2

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Ps 16 1

Pt 1:3-9

Jn 20:19-31

April 26 2020 Easter 3

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

Worship options around the Church

For information for live streaming options -click on this link to show the particular church and what they are doing.

<https://ucaqld.com.au/coronavirus/live-streaming-worships/>

You may have to copy the URL above, paste the whole address in your internet task bar, and then hit

This is an opportunity to see what other Uniting Churches are doing across Queensland during this time. There are a variety of ways to "connect" (given that connect is the word for the time-being. There is also Facebook, Utube, vimeo, radio links, email texting ... livestreaming ...all of which are an invitation to a new challenge).

Message from James: _____

It is the Week After Easter and ...

all through the house, the disciples were hiding, in fear of the ...

I pray that you have had a good Easter, and that in these unusual times we have discovered that God is still present in ways that we had not expected. The story of Easter is truly one of unexpected possibilities, especially when it comes to our understanding of the God we have met in Jesus Christ.

While we might celebrate the resurrection each year it is good to be reminded that the resurrection, and the resurrection life that exists in God, was, and is, and is to come. In other words, the whole world lives and breathes and has its being in the very life of God, as it was in the beginning is now and forever shall be. We are celebrating an eternal truth. Because Jesus lives, we also live.

Yet, it is for us in every generation to be awakened into this, to see and to believe what God has always been doing, and that it takes someone like Jesus Christ to grab our attention and peel away all the other "stuff" that has weighed us down over the years. Looking at the various memes and messages making their way around the internet we are discovering that being still, stripped bare, is not very easy at all. The idea of rest seems to be more of a novelty that we realise. I know, settling into holidays, or time off at the moment is not coming easy for me either. So, let us face our anxieties together, and know that our Lord is able to enter the very rooms that we have isolated ourselves in for one reason or another. How important it is for us to hear again Jesus' words to us, "Peace be with you." These are both words of comfort and of mission. For now, it is the comfort, it will be our mission in time.

Now that the Easter season is over, I will now retreat into my break and commend you to each other and to the elders in your care. Thank you.

Grace and peace to you all,

James. _____

Latest Message and Congregation Update from the Moderator and General Secretary.

Attached to this Herald is the Covid - 19 Update dated 14 April 2020.

Please be alert to a link to a Service that the moderator has prepared to lead the whole church at this time. There are some Resources that have been offered to the Church from the Synod Office.

These can be viewed on the Synod Website

Liturgical Resources

To draw our whole church into shared worship, and to give ministry agents and teams some rest, **the**

Moderator will lead a video-based service for Sunday 19 April 2020. The service is based on the lectionary for Easter 2 and will include a reading from John 20: 19-31 and music from Leichhardt Uniting Church in addition to prayers of adoration and confession and prayers for the world.

This service in full and a second video of just the sermon separately will be available on the Synod coronavirus website on Friday 17 April as well as Synod social media channels like Facebook, YouTube and Vimeo.

<https://ucaqld.com.au/coronavirus/>

A link will be included in Friday's update. *(Please look for this over the weekend.)*

We encourage you to make use of this resource.

Reflective practices during COVID-19

Rev Dr Jenny Tymms has written the first in her series of reflection pieces, entitled ***For a time such as this***. These pieces are designed to support ministry agents and members of the church on your spiritual and mental health journey during COVID-19.

https://ucaqld.com.au/wp-content/uploads/dlm_uploads/2020/04/For-a-time-such-as-this_week-one.pdf

General Notices

-School holidays have finished. And our students are “doing” remote learning.

Please pray for them and for discipline as they move into this new way to learn. Please pray for our educators, and for inspired lesson preparation as they now have the challenge of reaching their audiences without immediate feedback.

-Our FaceBook site: if anyone knows who created our Maroochydore Uniting Church FaceBook content could you please let Jan Strudwick know. We would like to be able to add content to it, and invite others to contribute, but unless we know who created it, and therefor has Moderator rights, we can't use it. The address is as follows:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Maroochydore-Uniting-Church/162857217063609>

-Daisy, Kathy's daughter-in-law (thankyou Margaret. Was I the last person to find out?), has had a little boy whom they've named Daniel – he'll be three weeks old this week.

-Thankyou James, for keeping us “going” through Easter, with Services, and worship downloads, despite being on Long Service Leave (at home!!!). Please pray for uplifting and refreshment for James and Kris.

-Thankyou Allan and Jan for your contributions to our worship services over the last few weeks.

**I'm awake.
Please
respect my
privacy
during this
difficult time.**

Prayers for our world and our people

-for everyone experiencing the serious impacts of the *coronavirus* - we pray for calm, that the virus will pass
-for all congregations as they seek to manage the impact and disruption.

-for our communities becoming overwhelmed by the constancy of media messages, may we find calm in the centre, and reassurance from one another.

-we pray for Jan, Barb, Iain, Asho & June, Rita, Laurie, Daisy, Joyce.

Are there prayer points you would like to include. ?

After isolation



Day 18 of lock down. Filled the dog with helium.



Day 23 of quarantine

Me to myself:

"You may be wondering why I asked you all here today"



TEN LIFE CONVICTIONS

This is a great season to redefine what we truly believe.

Define your convictions - declare them often, and your victory will become a reality.

GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME

THE STEPS OF A GOOD MAN ARE ORDERED BY THE LORD

ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR MY GOOD

MY WORDS CREATE MY WORLD

LOVE CONQUERS ALL

GREATER IS HE WHO IS IN ME THAN HE THAT IS IN THE WORLD

NO WEAPON FORMED AGAINST ME SHALL PROSPER

MY COMEBACK IS MORE POWERFUL THAN MY FAILURE

GOD IS THE SOURCE OF MY ABUNDANT SUPPLY

MY LIFE CAUSE IS DEFINED BY TRUTH, HUMILITY AND JUSTICE

Rednecks have the lowest stress rate because they do not understand the seriousness of most medical terminology.

Medical Term	Redneck Definition
Artery	The study of paintings
Bacteria	Back door to cafeteria
Barium	What doctors do when patients die
Benign	What you be, after you be eight
Caesarean Section	A neighborhood in Rome
Cat scan	Searching for Kitty
Cauterize	Made eye contact with her
Colic	A sheep dog
Coma	A punctuation mark
Dilate	To live long
Enema	Not a friend
Fester	Quicker than someone else
Fibula	A small lie
Impotent	Distinguished, well known
Labor Pain	Getting hurt at work
Medical Staff	A Doctor's cane
Morbid	A higher offer
Nitrates	Rates of Pay for Working at Night, Normally more money than Days
Node	I knew it
Outpatient	A person who has fainted
Pelvis	Second cousin to Elvis
Post Operative	A letter carrier

Recovery Room	Place to do upholstery
Rectum	Nearly killed him
Secretion	Hiding something
Seizure	Roman Emperor
Tablet	A small table
Terminal Illness	Getting sick at the airport
Tumor	One plus one more
Urine	Opposite of you're out

NOT EVERYTHING IS CANCELLED

sunshine is not cancelled
 spring is not cancelled
 love is not cancelled
 relationships are not cancelled
 reading is not cancelled
 naps are not cancelled
 devotion is not cancelled
 music is not cancelled
 dancing is not cancelled
 imagination is not cancelled
 kindness is not cancelled
 conversations are not cancelled
hope is not cancelled



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