



The Maroochydore Herald

The Uniting Church in Australia
QUEENSLAND SYNOD

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

31st July 2022

Why do dogs float in water?
Because they're good buoys.



Lakan
@jacques_lakan

To avoid straining your eyes when you're continuously working, follow the 20-20-20 rule. After 20 minutes of work, look at something 20 feet away, then spend 20 years in the forest.

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*We seek to be a prayerful and listening church
Please note the location of the Hearing Loop in the church*

Leadership Team

Chairperson: Winni Yun	Property: Theo Quick
Treasurer: Bev Lacey	Korean Members: Gil Park
Secretary: Jan Strudwick Margaret Holmes	Translator: James Lee and Rev Jan Rossow

Worship Services

English Language Sundays, 8.30am
Korean Language Sundays, 11am

Korean Leader: Ps. Gil Park

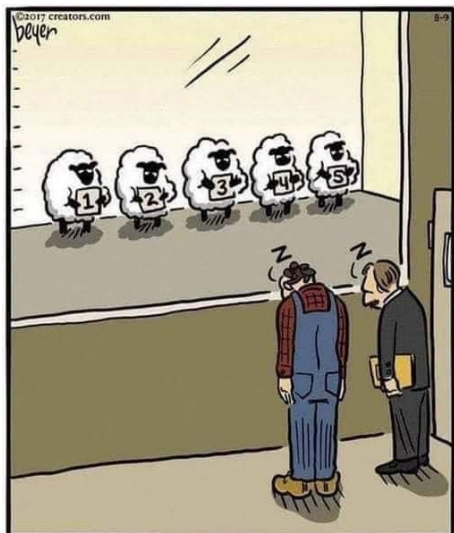
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Thank you for the ongoing support for the Ministry, & Ministry of our Church. A reminder that direct deposit offering is available. Our Church Banking Details: UCA Maroochydore Uniting Church - St George Bank. BSB 334 040: Account No. 553864 511

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>.

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



How Sheep Get Away With Murder

Lectionary Bible Readings

July 31 Hosea 1:1-11 and Psalm 107:1-9, 43 Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18 23 and Psalm 49:1-12 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21	August 7 Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23 Genesis 15:1-6 and Psalm 33:12-22 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Luke 12:32-40
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This week

<u>Sunday 31st July</u>	8:30 am Rev Bruce Johnson 11 am Korean Service
<u>Tues, Wed, Thurs</u>	Korean Prayer meeting 6-7 am
<u>Mon, Wed Fri</u>	Line dancing
<u>Mon-Fri</u>	Ongoing Kitchen refurbishment
<u>Saturday 6th Aug</u>	No Indoor bowls this week Special Indonesian service/luncheon 11am-
<u>Sunday 7th Aug</u>	8:30 am Jan Rossow- Holy Communion 11 am Korean Service
<u>Thurs 11th Aug</u>	Fellowship morning tea: 10am @ M-Jays
<u>Sat 13th Aug</u>	Church Council meeting 10 am

Please join us for morning tea, after the service, in the hall after the service

No birthdays this week: that we know of

Pour oil into all the jars - 2 Kings 4:4

Reflection from Steve Drinkall, Manager of Mission Engagement :-
Over and over in the bible, we are reminded that our God is a God of Plenty. God is never short of resources; he owns the cattle on a thousand hills, and no task or situation is beyond his capability. And yet the resources of God are almost always activated and released when we muster what little resources we have and offer them up in faith. In 2 Kings 4, we read of a desperate widow in debt who reaches out to Elisha, the prophet, for help. Elisha asks her, 'What do you have in your house?'. Her reply is 'nothing at all except a small jar of olive oil'. Even that small offering is enough. Elisha instructs her to borrow as many empty jars as she can and begin to pour her small insignificant jar of oil into the many empty jars. To her great surprise, the God of Plenty ensures that the oil flowing from her small jar continues to flow until all of the jars are filled. Apart from this being a miraculous event, Elisha tells her that she can sell the jars and pay off all her debt whilst still having plenty left for her and her son to live off for many years. This outrageous pattern is mirrored later in the bible as a young boy offers up a few loaves and fish in faith, and the God of Plenty stretches it to feed 5000 men plus women and children. Gideon reduces his army to as small as 300 men, yet they step out in faith against a much larger army and are victorious. The pattern, I believe, tells us something about the very nature of God. Not only does God respond to us acting in faith, but he is so generous that we not only end up with our own needs met but often end up with plenty left over with which we can bless others. I have lived long enough to know that a simple application of this principle doesn't play out in every case, and I often struggle with prayers that seem to go unanswered or problems that don't seem to get solved. And yet I still feel drawn to these stories and what they tell me about the nature of God and his heart towards us. I still believe that in any situation where I feel inadequate and lacking resources of any kind, my best posture is to offer whatever I have to God, no matter how small and insignificant it seems to me, and then to humbly ask God to draw from his plentiful resources and add them to mine. This week, I am recommitting again to do the things I know I should do, to offer whatever I can and then to trust that God will bring the real increase. I suspect God will likely take great joy in ensuring we have all we need to get his work done and plenty left to bless others with.