



The Maroochydore Herald



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

Pentecost 19
8th October

*We seek to be a prayerful and listening church
 Please note the location of the Hearing Loop in the 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 and information to Synod Resources and Activities.
 National Assembly News - <https://assembly.uca.org>.

Items and notifications for inclusion in the Herald are gratefully received.

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

Many thanks to all who helped to make my special day a very special day. I'm so blessed to be a member of a church family who are so thoughtful and caring. God bless all.Marie (Charles)

Lectionary Bible Readings

October 8 Pentecost 19

Ex 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20
Ps 19
Phil 3:4b-14
Mt 21:33-46

October 15 Pentecost 20

Ex 32:1-14
Ps 106:1-6, 19-23
Phil 4:1-9
Mt 22:1-14

Sunday October 8th

8:30 am John Mapstone

Sunday October 12th

10 am Fellowship morning tea at Em Jays

Sunday October 15th

8:30 am Darren King

Sunday 22nd October

8:30 am James McKenna

Sunday 29th October

8:30 am Uniting World Service



Creator Credit: Man Martin at Man Overboard

O Love that wilt not let me go.

Travelling down the Clyde river near Glasgow there is a long pier named “Innellan”. In Argyllshire. This was the home of one of Scotland’s most famous preachers, Dr George Matheson. Born in 1842, as a boy he had much trouble with his eyes, and at 18 he was more or less blind.

He was an accomplished scholar. After a brilliant university record at Edinburgh, he assisted Dr Macduff in Glasgow, being licensed to preach, and in 1868 was appointed to the parish of Innellan.

This hymn, he said, “was written in the Clydeside manse at Innellan on the evening of my sister’s wedding. I was at that time alone. ...and other members of the family were staying overnight in Glasgow. Something had happened to me which was known only to myself. I was suffering extreme mental distress, and the hymn was the fruit of pain. It was composed with great rapidity: it seemed to me that its construction occupied only a few minutes, and I felt myself rather in the position of one who was being dictated to than an original artist. It was the quickest piece of work I have ever done. I am sure that the whole hymn was completed in five minutes neither did I ever correct or retouch any part of it”

1. *O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.*

3. *O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.*

2. *O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine’s blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.*

4. *O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life’s glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.*

This beautiful and fervent hymn took Scotland by storm when it was written over 130 years ago. The *Scottish Hymnal* wished to have it in their new publication in 1885. Dr Peace, of Arran, was asked to write a suitable tune. Dr Peace said “After reading it over carefully I wrote the music straight off and I may say that the ink of the first note was hardly dry when I had finished the tune”.

Riddle: I’m tall when I’m young, and I’m short when I’m old. What am I?

Answer: A candle

Riddle: What question can you never answer yes to?

Answer: Are you asleep yet?

Birthdays this week: Judith Judd (12th)