



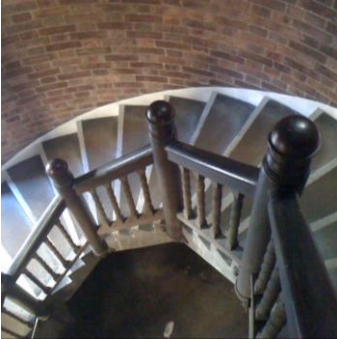
Saint Andrew's Uniting Church



NEWS AND NOTES

Sunday 21 May 2023

WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S UNITING CHURCH



Weekly Services

We seek to share God's unconditional love and acceptance for all people, regardless of age, gender, marital or family status, sexual orientation, disability, race poverty or wealth.

If you have no regular church association, we invite you to come and share in our services and participate in our church's life.

9:30am Sunday Worship Service.

Holy Communion: 1st Sunday of the month.

A pdf of the order of service can be sent to your smart phone or device for Sunday.

Contact admin@saintandrews.org.au to have it sent to you.

Sermons are also available on YouTube – <https://tinyurl.com/SaintAndrewsYouTube>

Readings for the coming week:

21 May 2023 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

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| 1 st Reading: | Acts 1: 6 - 14 |
| Psalm | Psalm 68: 1 – 10, 32 - 35 |
| 2 nd Reading: | 1 Peter 4: 12 – 14; 5: 6 - 11 |
| Gospel: | John 17: 1 - 11 |



To view the full lectionary readings, please visit: <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu>



HE IS RISEN

ALLELUIA

The Easter Season lasts for 6 weeks!! May we continue to live and give thanks for the Resurrection life!

<https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=58028>

Volunteers Needed!



As with any church, volunteers are at the heart of our service. If you would like to volunteer or require further information please contact the office at: admin@saintandrews.org.au

We'd love to hear from people who are interested in serving at Saint Andrew's in any of the following areas:

- Liturgist / Readers
- Flower arrangers
- AV Operator
- Greeters and Ushers
- Door Duty
- Elders for Sunday Services
- Andy's Place Community Meal Servers
- Open Church
- Morning Tea

Check the roster on the following page and see where you can help.... If unsure who to contact speak to Susan.

Thank you to all those who have 'filled the spaces' where required.

+ Wi-Fi Access

ID: StAndrewsGuest

P/W: Church2022!

+ Lives, Links & Legacy website

Read the stories of the lives of 266 members of Saint Andrew's Congregation whose names are listed on the 1914-1918 Honour Boards in the Merrington Memorial Peace Chapel:

<http://heritage.saintandrews.org.au/>

+ Offering

If you would like to use direct debit for your offering please use the details below:

Account Name:
UCA St Andrew's Uniting Church

BSB: 334040 (St George)

Account # 55 38 776 38



Bits and Pieces

May 2023

| What's happening | Event | When | Time |
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| Church Services | Sunday Service | Every Sunday | 9:30am |
| Church Services Holy Communion | Sunday Service | Every 1 st Sunday of the month | 9:30am |
| | LGBTQIA+ Service | Cancelled until further notice | |
| Andy's Place Community Meals | Weekly meal | Every Saturday | 11:30am |
| Open Church | For visitors | Every Friday (excluding public holidays) | 11am – 2pm |
| Social Justice Table | Raising funds for special causes | Once a month on Sunday | After service |
| Andy's Place Drop-In Centre | Drop-in | Thursday Morning | 8 – 11am |
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Deadline for News & Notes – Tuesday COB

If you would like to have something included in the weekly News & Notes please email it to Rosie by no later than close of business (COB) on Tuesday the week prior.

Email details to: admin@saintandrews.org.au

NEWS & NOTES are now online!

Go to <https://www.saintandrews.org.au/news-notes>

+Bits and Pieces

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



June 11th

The Congregational Meeting of St Andrew's Uniting Church is being held on June 11th after Sunday worship. This is a more informal meeting than the AGM where the Church Council will report back on current initiatives and seek the views of the congregation.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

May 21st 4pm

(Please note the change of time)

St Andrew's

"Do Good, Seek Justice" (Isaiah 1.17)

An Ecumenical Service prepared this year by the Minnesota Council of Churches and organised locally by Queensland Churches Together.

Please join us in praying for international church unity.



Church Office Open Days:

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

9am to 2pm.

Telephone Number: (07) 3108 4644

6 Administration Officer: Rosie Catt



Bits and Pieces continued

Children's Worship Bulletins

Activity sheets based on the lectionary are now available each week so please ask the door duty officer if you need one.

The Bulletins are available in two age groups 3+ years and 7+ years.

Some online activities are also available at – games.childrensbulletins.com - if you want to share them at home.

Secret codes

3+: NNXE47 7+: JRT933



Prayers for the People

In the World Council of Churches Prayer Cycle we pray for the [Indian Ocean Islands: Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Seychelles](#) Let us give thanks for the joys of the Resurrection life as we continue to celebrate the season of Easter.

1. Ongoing prayers for the people of Turkiye and Syria, Ukraine, Sudan and other world trouble spots.

Please pray for the victims of Famine and drought in Africa

The opportunity to pray for one another is a gift. You are invited to offer that gift to others. If you have a situation, a prayer request or someone you know needs/wants prayer please let us know. It can be first name only, no details are necessary and always get permission. Let us each take the opportunity to share the gift of prayer and uphold one another in love. Please contact Rosie at admin@saintandrews.org.au or Susan at minister@saintandrews.org.au to have them included here.

Community Outreach

Andy's Place Community Meal.

We need your help. The Saint Andrew's (Andy's Place) Community Meal serves over 70 guests each and every week

with a dine-in meal.

If you are able to help with cooking, serving or greeting or just want to know more about

what we do. Have a chat to Susan or Rex or email the Co-Ordinator, Jennet Niven, at:

communitymeal@saintandrews.org.au

Help the Environment and Recycle your containers. No C10161825

Bring approved containers to church and leave them in the red bin in the kitchen area or deposit your containers at a recycle depot and quote the Saint Andrew's scheme No C10161825 the cash refund goes directly to our account for the Community Meal. Please talk to Beth Brand or Rex Niven if you need more information.

+Bits and Pieces continued



The next Con Spirito Lunchtime Concert will be on Friday 26 May at 12.30pm

Talented young pianists Reuben Tsang and Oscar Matthews will present a selection of the Études-Tableaux Op. 33 by Sergei Rachmaninov in honour of Rachmaninov's 150th anniversary this year.



News from the choir loft.

We would like to congratulate Tom Nicholson, Saint Andrew's Baritone Choral Scholar (2020-2022), who last Sunday was announced the inaugural winner of the Margaret Baker Genovesi Travel Scholarship worth \$50,000. This scholarship will support Tom's goal of furthering his studies in Europe. Bravo Tom! Tom is currently travelling overseas but will be returning to Brisbane in June to sing with the Sanctuary Choir and perform in Voxalis' next concert America! which will be held in Saint Andrew's on Saturday 10th June at 7.30pm.



Thank you to everyone who have supplied our guests with warm clothing, and these items are being eagerly asked for. We have checked out the discount stores and so far, the fleece throws have either not arrived, or have not been reordered. Ikea had a small number at a reasonable price for purchase, but it is very noticeable that inflation has caused a considerable rise in the cost of all blankets and warm clothing. Please help as you are able.

Unfortunately, after several years of service, one of our cooking team leaders has had to withdraw her voluntary service. There are a good number of cook helper's available if you know of someone to step in to lead them in preparing a meal about once every six weeks. Tried and true recipes are available, as well as assistance from other team leaders. The Andy's Place coordinator would love to hear from you, Jennet Niven at coordinator@andysplace.org.au or please telephone Rosie at the church office Wednesday to Friday to give her the details.

Incidentally, Jennet Niven has been nominated for the 'Queensland Volunteer Awards'.

The Saturday meal continues to provide about a hundred meals, a main and dessert at lunch time each week, and around twenty persons arrive for breakfast on Thursday mornings.

Rex and Jann



Here's how to contribute to the Social Justice Table, Community Meal, Offering or Parking using direct debit:

Saint Andrew's Church Account:

- UCA St Andrew's Uniting Church
- BSB 334040
- Account number 553877638

IMPORTANT: When making a direct debit donation ensure you use a REFERENCE as below eg :

- Social Justice Table
- 'Park-Name' (Parking+your name)
- OFF-Name (Offering-your name)

+ Plus One
List ... items
still needed

COMMUNITY MEAL: The Saturday two course home cooked meal is greatly appreciated, so thank you to the cooking teams and volunteers for their faithful service. The numbers are slowly rising so that the average number of guests is 85 attending. The new system at Foodbank means that we have intermittent access to what is available, and we have not been able to get many staples for several weeks. A limited supply of fruit and vegetables are available each week. The Stanbroke Meat Company continues with its generous provision of meat which keeps our meal costs reasonable even though we are having to purchase more grocery items. Currently, the cost per meal is \$1.96.



Drop - In Centre

The 8.00am - 11am Thursday morning breakfasts have an average of 15 - 20 guests. Help is needed here, especially someone to set up and supervise volunteers.

Other News:

Our grant applications to several organisations are among many other worthy requests, and so far we have not been successful in our endeavours to obtain funding to renovate the kitchenette. This area for serving and storage needs to be updated to a more hygienic and safety standard in which to plate and serve meals from.

Along with congregation members gifts, the Andy's Place website has attracted some welcome donations so our current funds are in a healthy position for us to maintain our managed services to the vulnerable and food insecure people who make up the inner city community.

That's all from us - our move back to Brisbane is not so far off now.

Rex and Jann Niven'

Note- if it is easier for you to donate rather than purchase items, the new BSB details are:

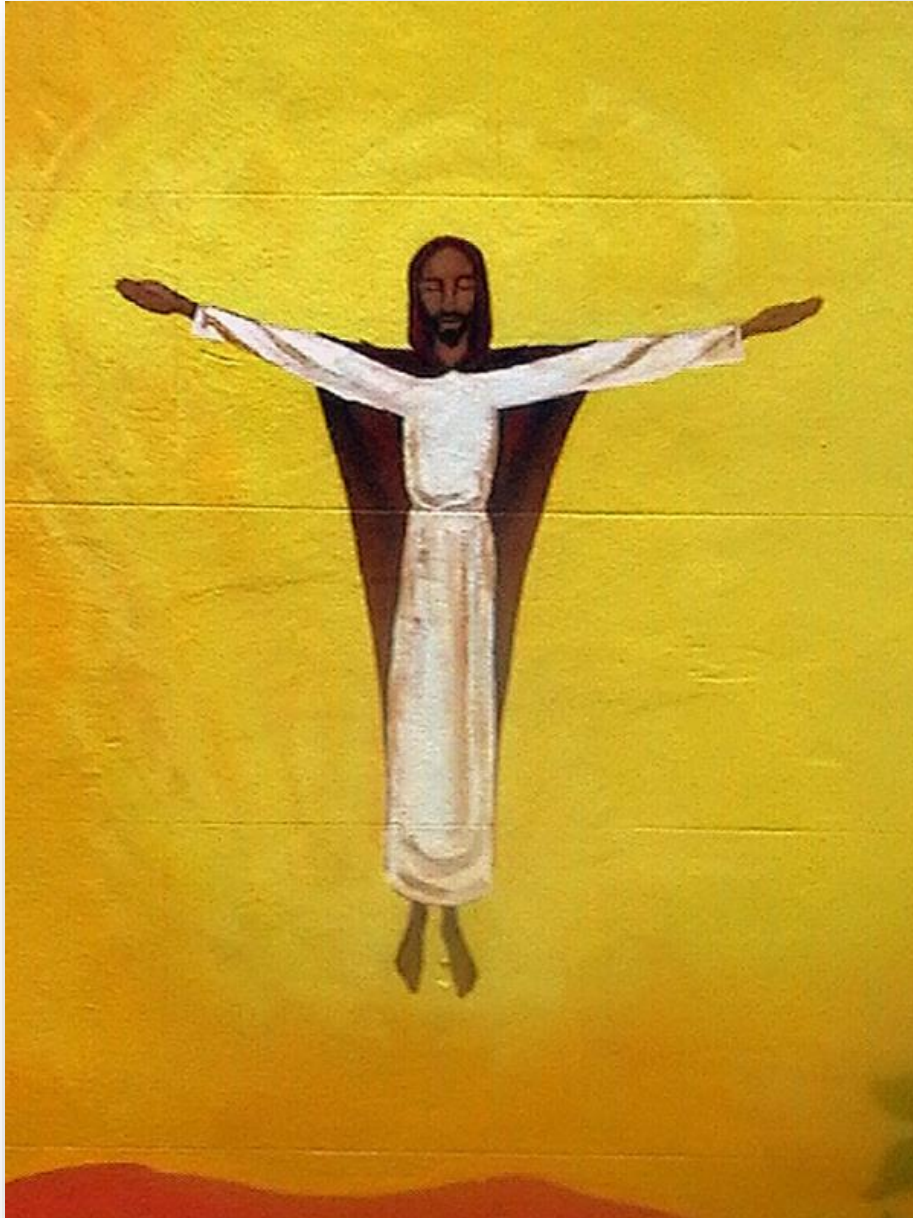
St George Bank

BSB: 114879

A/C: 497923539 noted as Andy's Shop.

Art in the Christian Tradition

Sunday – 21 May 2023 – Lectionary Link



Mural of Christ ascending to heaven on a graffiti wall in Bristol, England.

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<https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=54351>

Prayers of the People

O God of glory,
your Son Jesus Christ
suffered for us
and ascended
to your right hand.

Unite us with Christ
and each other,
in suffering and in joy,
that all your children
may be drawn into your
bountiful dwelling.

Amen.



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| Minister: | Rev. Susan Pickering | 07 3108 4644 (W) |
| Chairman of Church Council: | Dr Nick Tate | 07 3217 3529 (H) |
| Treasurer: | Mr Ralph Collins | 0411 020 529 (M) |
| Secretary Church Council: | Mrs Robyn Lulham | 0412 193 536 (M) |
| Office Administrator: | Ms Rosie Catt | 07 3108 4644 (O) |

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