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UCA Queensland Synod Corona-virus Update

For the latest COVID-19 updates and resources, visit the Synod website.

Pastoral Notes Celebrations & Prayer Points

Please Pray For:

- Garry & Teresa Hardingham for wisdom, discernment, easy solutions to difficult issues & safety as he travels around our Presbytery.
- 2. Christy & Peter Allen & family, for wisdom, discernment, easy solutions to difficult issues & safety as she travels around our Presbytery.
- 3. Robyn & Gavin Cooley

Monday Prayer:

God of new birth we give thanks for this New Year & the Hope that it brings with it. Amen

Moderator Rev Andrew Gunton

Date Claimers 2021 May 14-16th

Presbytery Meeting - Cairns

November 5th-7th
Presbytery Meeting- Location TBA

Closing Service

Rev Michelle Cullen 24th January 2021

8:45 am Mossman UC

They have reached seating capacity.

If you would like to send a message.

Send to: jshrimp@bigpond.com

Funeral Notice

Mrs. Vivienne Robson, who worshipped at Townsville Central City Mission for many decades and in recent times a resident of Blue Care Mt Louisa, passed away yesterday morning, 18th January 2021

Viv or Mrs Robbie as she's fondly called by many reached her milestone of 100 years in September last year. Her daughter Helen and Blue Care Chaplain Pastor Jan Bryde were present when Viv peacefully breathed her last.

The funeral service for Mrs Vivienne Robson will be on Monday, 25th January 2021, 10 am at Morleys Funeral, The Lakes, 2 Martinez Avenue, West End, Townsville. Rev Bruce Cornish will be taking the service.

Olive Hafenstein

Closing Service

Mareeba Uniting Church

Sunday 31st January 2021 @ 9am

The Uniting Church in Australia
Presbytery of Carpentaria announce
the closure service of the
Mareeba Uniting Church building
(formally the Methodist Memorial
Church), Cnr Rankin and Walsh Streets,
Mareeba.

Please Note: Due to Covid-19 restrictions, numbers are limited, if you wish to attend, please contact:

Carpentaria Presbytery on 4068 8131

Or

email: office@ucacarpentaria.com.au

Commissioning of Pastor Lorne Anderson into Townsville Central City Mission

Welcome back to Townsville Lorne & Caite Great to have you join us.









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Flavours: *Chocolate * Coconut Natural *Pineapple *Strawberry

*Hubba Bubba * Watermelon

Triples - 1-#LOL Hubba Bubba, chocolate, musk

2-Tropical (Pineapple, coconut, strawberry)

3-Tutti Frutti (Strawberry, Apple, Orange)

Can be ordered via contacting Robyn Cooley (Presbytery Admin) 0429 195 506

Pay via Direct deposit:

Bank: ANZ; Account Name: UCA Carpentaria Presbytery; BSB: 014-676; Account #: 4749 06 525

What you face may look big, but your God is bigger! The giants you face may be strong, but your God is stronger!

Christy's Thoughts

Well, it's 2021 and the year has kicked off with a bang or a puff or two of wind depending on where you are in the lovely Carpentaria. Hopefully, you are safe and mostly dry. For those of you like me who were able to have some holidays, I hope you feel refreshed and ready for the year ahead.

One highlight for me was to spend time with members of my family including my Mum and my Uncle, Aunt, and cousin. When we gathered in May last year to farewell my Dad, we were not able to gather for a wake. This visit, I could sit with them and just enjoy their company and catch up on all the wider family news. I was reminded just how blessed I am to have family.

Jess was able to visit my Mum something she wasn't allowed to do in May which was also a blessing even though Mum is not able to recognize us anymore. She was healthy and happy... the best we could ask for.

Like a number of people across the Presbytery, we were caught up in the Brisbane lockdown and while we were able to get home, we had to spend the weekend in isolation. Since then my trusty mask has been my companion. And while it has been a bother, I am grateful that that is all it has been. We have been truly fortunate up here and I pray we remain that way.

So with 2021 underway, I want to take this opportunity to share with you some of the comings and goings that are currently unfolding in the life of the Presbytery.

Townsville Central welcomed a new Pastor last Thursday night with Lorne Anderson being commissioned. Lorne, Caite and their 3 daughters have a family connection to our Presbytery with Caite being Barry Cox's daughter.

This coming Sunday 24 January Mossman will say farewell to Rev Michelle and Jim Cullen. This means two things; the Cullen's are moving, and a new ministry is about to begin. Michelle has accepted a call to Townsville to Mt Louisa. This will begin on the 2 February.

With Michelle leaving there is a vacancy at Mossman which will be filled by Rev Viliami Mila, who with his wife Ana and daughter Leni will arrive in coming days to begin on the 2 February.

As some of you may be aware, Pastor David Pohlmann has accepted a job with Scripture Union in Darwin and have begun the journey to the Northern Territory. We wish David and Margaret the very best as they begin this new chapter of their lives.

As the year unfolds as always there are things we can predict and expect and there is much we cannot. If nothing else, last year showed us what leaving with unknowns is like. Whilst it may have seemed difficult and many of us missed out on being with family for special occasions, one thing remained constant.... God's enduring presence in our lives.

Whatever this year brings, God is preparing us, equipping us, and providing the tools we will need. Roll on 2021... we are ready!

Oh, and perhaps the best news of all.... Power has been connected to the Aurukun Manse which means the very hungry diesel generator is no longer needed. Praise God for this answer to prayer!!!!!

Blessings, Christy

Synod News & Info.

Working together on Plenty - Register your interest

You are genuinely invited to be part of Plenty. <u>Register your interest</u> on the Plenty web page. We would love to hear from you. <u>https://ucaqld.com.au/projects/projectplenty/</u>



Second Plenty video - Discipleship (innovation)

Our world and communities are constantly changing and so too must our church in order to share the timeless message of Christ.

Director of Mission Strategy Scott Guyatt invites you to be part of this *Shared life*. *Flourishing communities* commitment.



<u>Queensland Christian Climate Action: Hope for Creation</u>

Join Christians from across Queensland to explore how to care for creation together on Saturday 30 January 2021 at St Andrew's Anglican Church in South Brisbane from 10am–3pm. This opportunity is part of an ongoing commitment that the Uniting Church in Queensland has with our ecumenical partners to work for climate justice. For more information or to register, visit Eventbrite.

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/hope-for-creation-queensland-christian-climate-action-now-what-next-tickets-132739033021