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Pastoral Notes Celebrations & Prayer Points

Please Pray For

1. Garry & Teresa Hardingham as they are on leave; for Rest & restoration. Let's honour this time of rest. **Please do not phone Garry.**
2. Peter & Christy Allen for wisdom, discernment, Godly solutions to difficult issues & protection as she travels around our Presbytery.
3. Robyn & Gavin Cooley, as she deals with the property & financial matters across our Presb.

Date Claimer

Live Presentations in Townsville

26th August:

Session AM- Sacrament

Session PM- Identity & purpose

27th August: Church council workshop

**Watch this space
More information to come!**

Invitation to Commissioning Service of

Pastor Cain Hartigan (Blue care Chaplain)
(welcome back Cain)

Date: Friday 10th June **Time:** 9:30am

Venue: Mt Louisa Community Church
All Welcome

Carpentaria Presbytery Ministry agents & Spouse Retreat

With Guest Speaker **2nd-5th August 2022**

PLT face to face begins Sunday 31st July evening- Mid afternoon 2nd August

Presbytery Ministers Reviews

Dear members of the Carpentaria Presbytery,
Thank you for participating in the review of the Presbytery Ministers Rev. Garry Hardingham and Rev. Christy Allen. This review is to confirm them in their current ministry placements and give them feedback on their ministry practice going forward.

The following links will take you to surveys that you need to fill out for each presbytery minister.

Please click on **each** link to fill out the survey for each Presbytery Minister, the name of the minister is on the top of each survey:

Garry: [Presbytery Minister Review - Member Survey \(surveymonkey.com\)](#),

Christy: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PTGJW98>

Please complete the survey no later than the 15th June 2022.

The survey results are confidential and only the review team of Rev. Dr. Adam McIntosh, Rev. Andrew Gunton and Mrs. Lisa Fuchs (past chair of South Moreton Presbytery) will see your name and your responses. The Presbytery Ministers will be given a report with a summary of responses.

If you would like to make a longer comment please do so via email and send to Moderator@ucaqld.com.au again this correspondence will be kept confidential.

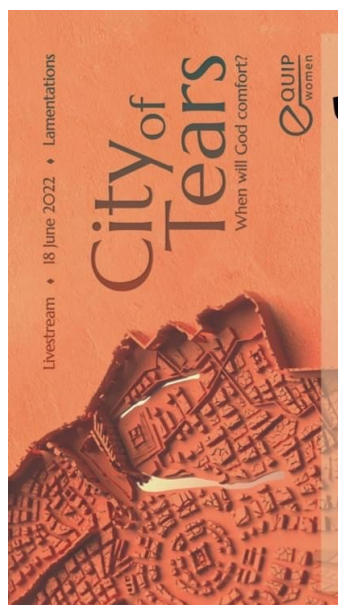
If you would like to speak to member of the review team please email Melanie.Ashby@ucaqld.com.au to set up an appointment.

Thank you again for participating in this survey.

God Bless

Andrew Gunton Moderator

Edmonton UC



You're invited

Please join Edmonton Uniting Church Women for a live streaming of EQUIP2022.

Location: Edmonton Uniting Church
Ravizza Close, Edmonton.

When: Saturday June 18th
9.15am Morning Tea for 9.45 am start
Concludes at 3pm

Cost: \$22 (includes morning tea and lunch)
Payable on the day. EFTPOS available

for more info go to
www.equip.org.au/

RSVP to Barbara: 0411330373 or
barbarajfoster56@gmail.com
by 15th June. Include dietary requirements

I wanted to share this with you from the Passion Translation:

I Hear His Whisper...

Learn the eternal way.

I long for you to know me and to embrace my ways. Come and learn of the way eternal. For my paths will lead you into more joy, until it overflows. If you receive my love, even in difficulties, you will know the secret of the wonder of eternity. Don't let appearances deceive you—my love will win every struggle that you face. Even this day, I have prepared a hiding place of mercy for you.

I want to give you a faith that is limitless—a faith that can come only from me. Let me flood you with love so magnificent and fulfilling that you never question it again. My love will wash away the discontentment you've experienced in this world. It will set you upon a foundation that cannot be ravaged by storms. If you walk in my ways, the higher ways of heaven, I will help you interpret situations rightly and give you the wisdom you need to navigate every situation. Tap into my eternal ways and allow me to satisfy the yearning of your soul.

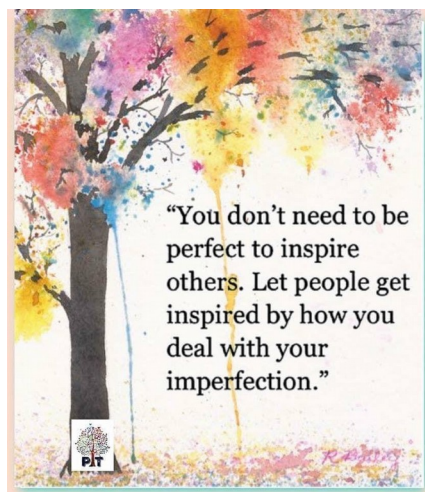
Whispers written by [Brian Simmons](#) and [Gretchen Rodriguez](#)

Psalm 139:23

The Passion Translation

God, I invite your searching gaze into my heart. Examine me through and through; find out everything that may be hidden within me. Put me to the test and sift through all my anxious cares.

Blessings,
Marie



Synod News & Info.

Reflection - On doubt and belief

John 20:24-29 - On doubt and belief

It seems that sometimes Thomas gets a bit of a bad rap. “Don’t be a doubting Thomas,” we say as if we’ve analysed the story and all agree that doubt is wrong, and Thomas has failed.

“He couldn’t even believe in Jesus without seeing and touching...that wouldn’t have been my story” might be another reflection.

There are a couple of reasons I struggle with this interpretation of the story of Thomas recorded in John 20.

First, Thomas expresses some doubt and desire to see the risen Jesus for himself and isn’t asking for anything the rest of the followers haven’t also experienced. The rest of the crew were locked away behind closed doors, fearful of what was going on after the death of Jesus. It’s only when Jesus himself shows up in their midst when they see him risen, for themselves, that the tone changes to one of rejoicing, that confidence and belief start to emerge.

Read more of the Reflection from Scott Guyatt, Connect 100 Coordinator, Community Partnerships at UnitingCare Queensland, [here](#).

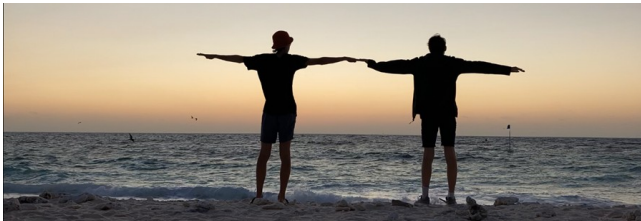


Photo- A place that makes Scott Guyatt smile: Lady Elliot Island with his two children

Plenty Update

Leadership development back in focus

It has been said that ‘everything rises and falls on leadership’, and in my experience, I think this has a ring of truth to it. The trajectory of our nations, organisations, businesses, sports teams and churches tend to be inextricably linked to the quality of leadership that is being exercised.

The New Testament is quick to point out that the gift of leadership should not mean that leaders have any more status or privilege than any other believer. In fact, they should have a greater weight of responsibility and accountability for their influence.



Read [more](#) of Steve Drinkall's update on the brand new [Plenty page](#) at [Journey Online](#).

Safe Ministry with Children

Policy update: Child Safe Policy Framework 2022

The UCA is committed to righting the wrongs of the past and to sustained reconciliation and the continuous renewal of trust with the community. The National Safe Church Unit (NSCU) team has collaborated with Synod Safe Church Leads to update the framework to ensure that our approach remains contemporary and best practice. It includes the 10 Principles of a Child Safe UCA and guidance to help implement them in all of our UCA spaces.

A spotlight is on principle 5: ***Our people are suitable for working with children and committed to the values of child safety and wellbeing.***

Recruitment and screening of all people who work or volunteer within the synod is a vital part of us all working together. A key aspect of our mission is to fulfil our commitment to the safety and well-being of our community. We must ensure we conduct appropriate child-safe activities across the Church. We will be intentional with our people, exploring values, understanding motivations for working with anyone vulnerable, including children and ensuring ongoing training and supervision to maintain awareness and vigilance amongst our communities. Safe Ministry resources are available to assist, or for more information, contact Lynde Davy at Lynde.Davy@ucaqld.com.au.

Download a copy of the 2022 edition of the [Framework](#). Please bookmark the Synod's Safe Ministry with Children [webpage](#) and the NSCU [website](#), which contains helpful resources and guidance for congregations, presbyteries and synods.

Stand Up Speak Out **Get Involved!**

Get involved and have your say on Queensland Government policies, programs or services. The [Get involved website](#) provides a list of Queensland Government consultations that are currently open for public feedback. There are different ways the Government conduct consultations, including advisory committees, focus groups, online consultations, public meetings, petitions, polls and surveys.

News from the life of the church

Reconciliation week special - The role of faith in truth-telling, justice and healing in Australia

As part of Reconciliation week, Stan Grant moderated a discussion organised by the Uniting Church for UnitingCare in Queensland, bringing together religious and Indigenous leaders to discuss faith, and how that can bring about truth, justice, healing and reconciliation in Australia.

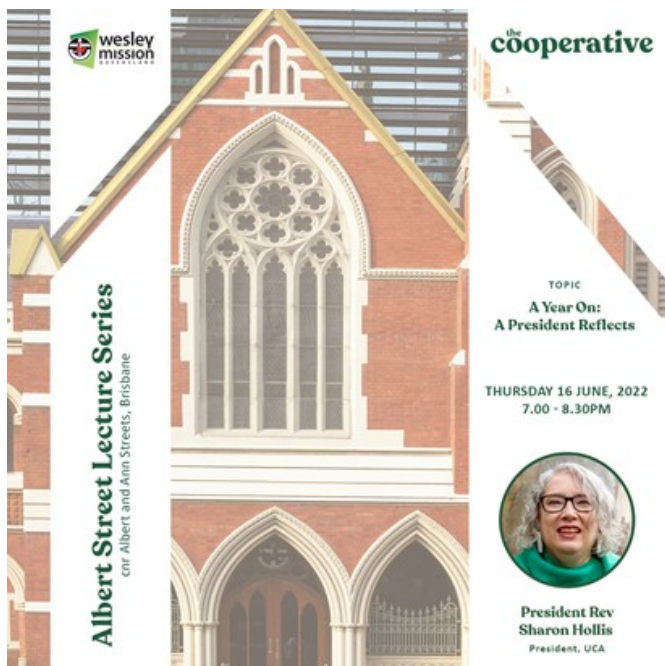


Tune in to the conversation [here](#).

Cooperative Albert Street Lecture

The cooperative invites you to join us for the next lecture in our Series. We are pleased to have President Rev Sharon Hollis present to us her lecture "A Year On: A President Reflects".

Where: **Albert Street Uniting Church**
Where: **Thursday, June 16, 7 - 8.30pm**



From President Rev Sharon Hollis: "This lecture, to be given almost a year after I started as President, will reflect on what I am noticing about the Uniting Church that I think we need to pay attention to. In the lecture, I will discuss the recent reconvened Assembly and the key issues for the Uniting Church emerging from the Assembly. Among the issues I will reflect on are consensus decision making, how it is shaping the Uniting Church and how we might continue to develop the spirituality and gifts for consensus decision making, and the challenge of living in Covenant with Congress which requires the Church to confront its racism."

A livestream of the lecture is available [here](#).

Celebrating Multicultural Queensland program

The Celebrating Multicultural Queensland (CMQ) program provides funding towards multicultural events and projects that engage culturally diverse communities, groups and individuals, and the broader community, to partner and contribute to building an inclusive, harmonious and united Queensland.

To find out more, click [here](#).

Christian Religious Instruction Alliance QLD: CEO position

The Christian Religious Instruction Alliance in Queensland (CRIAQ), of which the office of the Synod is a member, is looking for a part-time CEO (3 to 4 days p. week) to lead a team of committed staff and volunteers in delivering quality Religious Instruction in State Schools. The successful applicant will be capable in team leadership, and engaging stakeholders in politics, government, and churches. For more information, contact David Baker, at chair@christianri.org.au, or call 0418 88 06 01.