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Pastoral Notes Celebrations & Prayer Points

Please Pray For

- **1.** Garry & Teresa Hardingham for wisdom, discernment, Godly solutions to difficult issues & protection as he travels around our Presbytery.
- **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.
- **4.** Ana Mila & Marie during this time of transition (that all will happen smoothly)

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Date Claimers

Closing Service for Teresa Hardingham – Change of Date

Closing Service for Teresa Hardingham at Blue Care Mareeba will now be held on 31 August 2022 at 1.30pm.

Annual Leave Dates for Robyn Cooley

Robyn will be on annual leave from Friday, 12th August to Monday, 22nd August inclusive. If you have any questions during this time, please contact Ana or one of the Presbytery Ministers.

Reminder re Carpentaria Link - Weekly Reflection

There is no reflection this week but if you are interested, we would like to hear more from you all. So, here is your opportunity to contribute to Carpentaria Link by offering a reflection. You can choose the date from the calendar found

at https://www.ucacarpentaria.com.au/link_roster/link_roster_calendar.php

Once you register, you can create a Calendar file (.ics) and you will automatically receive a reminder on the Friday before your reflection is due. We would love to hear how God is working in and through you all, so go

to https://www.ucacarpentaria.com.au/link_roster/link_roster_calendar.php and sign up.

Blessings Garry

Reminder re Bush Chaplaincy Appeal

Due to rising fuels costs the Presbytery is holding an appeal to help the Kennedy Bush Chaplaincy and the Carpentaria Remote Bush Chaplaincy, with their ministry.

If you would like to support these important ministries, please send donations to accounts below:

Kennedy Bush Chaplain

Acct Name: UCA Kennedy Patrol Acct # 412172554 BSB: 014-503

Carpentaria Remote Bush Chaplain

Acct Name: UCA McKay Patrol Acct # 169408 BSB: 034-173

Blessings Garry

Northern Madness Camp - Helpers Wanted

The Committee is looking for helpers for the Northern Madness Camp. They need volunteers to cook as well as camp leaders. Please email <u>office@ucacarpentaria.com.au</u> or call Rev Greg Rankin on 0413 787 626 who is the coordinator of this year's camp.

Northern Madness Camp – 23-26 September 2022

Northern Madness camp is for all youth in grades 7-12 and will be held at Mount Louisa Community Church in Townsville from 23-26 September 2022. Registration is now open and closes on 11th September. Spread the word and support young people within your congregations and communities to attend.



Townsville Central City Mission – Family Camp



Basis of Union Study - Aitkenvale

Have you considered joining Aitkenvale's five week study on the Basis of Union yet? Our aim is to introduce you to this important document if you are not familiar with it, or if you are, to refresh your minds on the reason for the union, and the vision and mission to which we are called as members. Each week we will reflect on a specific theme, including The Word of God and Scholarly interpreters (Para 5, 11); Christology: Christ at the center (Para 3); Sacraments (Para 6-8); Membership (Para 12); Gifts and ministries (Para 13, 14); and Integrated councils (Para 15). After considering Rev McCaughey's commentary, we will discuss how these inform our life and mission together. (Para 18).

Two groups will meet as follows:

- Tuesday evening: 4th October @ 7.30pm Dave and Kate Mills home
- Thursday morning: 6th October @ 9.30am Aitkenvale Church hall, Cnr Ross River Road and Ann Street Aitkenvale

The resource to be used is "The Basis of Union: A Commentary" by J. Davis McCaughey, edited by past President Andrew Dutney. If you would like to join us, please register and receive directions to venues by phoning the Church Office on 4779 0060. RSVP by Wednesday 14th September, so we can order the study books. The cost will be \$8.25 each + postage.

It is advisable, to get a feel for what the Basis has to say, to read its brief eighteen paragraphs prior to the beginning of the study. You can download it from the internet at https://assembly.uca.org.au/basis-of-union or if you don't have access to the web, please phone Kate Dix on 0429 609509 and a printed copy of the Basis will be made available.

We do look forward to sharing in the study with you.

Kate Dix for the Discipleship Stream

Synod News & Info.

Preparing for Christmas

Christmas and Advent resources

The Office of the Synod is working to put together some resources for Worship, Personal and Group Bible Study, and Children's, Youth and Families Ministry for Advent and Christmas 2022. The theme for this year is: A Journey to Joy - Let us choose to Rejoice and in the final week leading up to Christmas day: Unwrapping the Joy - 'Christmas is not as much about opening presents as opening our hearts' - Janice Maeditere.

We are excited to work with people across the Uniting Church, including the Intergen Huddle, Children's, Youth, Young Adults, Families, and Discipleship Working Groups and UnitingCare Qld. We hope to be able to deliver the materials in September/October for use in congregations and services during Advent and the Christmas season in November/December.

If you want to be involved or help contribute, don't hesitate to contact Jess at Jessica.pinkerton@ucaqld.com.au or Rebecca at Rebecca.Riggs@ucaqld.com.au.

Uncommon Goods: Public Theology and Empire

The cooperative is hosting its first annual conference, gathering scholars and the theologically curious to question and explore the place of public theology on colonised lands. The conference will frame these focus areas broadly and creatively, welcoming approaches that disturb boundaries and think with and beyond the public of public theology. Keynote Speakers: Dr Anne Pattel-Gray, Ms Monica Jyotsna Melanchthon and Mr Jione Havea.

When: September 16 - 18, 2022

Where: Wesley House, Meanjin/Brisbane and online

Head <u>here</u> to book your tickets (online tickets are also available).

Safe Ministry with Children

Join Uniting Churches across Australia to celebrate Child Safe Sunday on September 4

Child Safe Sunday occurs the day before National Child Protection Week commences on September 5. The National Safe Church Unit has developed resources for congregations to use. These include a prayer written by our President, a video message from our President, a PowerPoint presentation and a colouring-in activity for children (and adults if they would like). Please hold publication/showing of the video until the weekend of September 4, but please consider obtaining permission to share photos of the event from your congregation. A copy of each resource is available on the National Safe Church Unit website.

View the President's video message here.

Queensland Multi-Cultural Month

We recognise and celebrate Queensland's diversity and consider how we can foster inclusion during August as Multicultural Queensland Month. The Uniting Church wants to be a safe organisation where we embrace and value diversity and provide safety for all people to realise their full potential, noting this is different for everyone. A Safe Church for First Peoples Conversation can be viewed on the National Safe Church website. The UCA Child Safe Principles have been translated into Chinese, Korean, Indonesian, Spanish, Portuguese, Niuean, Fijian, Tongan and Samoan languages. Please let us know how we can work together better to ensure everyone can connect, contribute and belong.