

CARPENTARIA PRESBYTERY

Link



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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.

Carpentaria Link Weekly Reflection

Sign Up and Share Your Reflection

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

We would love to hear how God is working in and through you all.

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.

Training Days with Nigel Rogers from Trinity Theological College – Kirwan

Training Days with Nigel Rogers from Trinity Theological College at Kirwan Uniting Church **25-27 August** are confirmed. There will be both face to face opportunities as well as online live. No charge to attend in person or online. If you are interested in attending any or all of these sessions, please register online <https://www.ucacarpentaria.com.au/event1313.php>.

- **Thursday Evening 25 August 7-8.30pm** All things Trinity – information session about courses, Lay Preachers, Period of Discernment plus much more.
- **Friday 26 August 9.30 -3pm** Sacramental Practices – useful for all people who are doing Lay Preaching training, looking to be a Lay presider or just wanting to understand the sacraments of the UCA (bring own lunch).
- **Saturday 27 August 9am-12.30pm** Church council essentials – understanding the role and responsibilities of church councils (bring own lunch).

Ana will send out zoom links and info once she receives your registration.

*Blessings
Christy*

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 office@ucacarpentaria.com.au 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.

Southern Zone Gathering – Mundingburra

Why: We stated at our most recent gathering that it would be good to gather for fun, fellowship and encouragement and that the invitation should be sent out to all congregations in the zone not just ministry agents and presbytery reps.

What: With that in mind we are offering an opportunity to gather for a BYO picnic at some time on Saturday, 8 October 2022. You can come when you want and leave when you need to however John Dansie and his children will be there from 2pm until 6pm (we'll have a BBQ tea around 5pm).

How: You can participate by showing up at some point in the afternoon and either bringing all your own stuff or making arrangements within your group or congregation.

When: Sat, 8 October between 2pm and 6pm

Where: Sherriff Park, Love Lane, Mundingburra <https://www.soe-townsville.org/parks/sherriff.html>

Who: At our recent zone gathering we remembered how well attended our pre COVID zone gatherings were. With that in mind the invitation is open to anyone who has a connection with the Southern Zone (congregations, Blue Care, ministry agents, lay people).

John Dansie

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.

Health & Wellbeing

Daffodil Day - Help Fight Cancer

Daffodil Day on Thursday, August 25, 2022, is Cancer Council's most iconic and much-loved annual campaign that raises life-saving funds for world-class cancer research. It's a time of hope, where we come together to show our support for the 150,000 Australians diagnosed with cancer each year. Despite a global pandemic, in 2021, Australians still dug deep and donated almost \$1.5 million for life-saving cancer research.

This August, join thousands of others across the country to raise funds that give hope and save lives. [Donate online now](#), or [sign up to fundraise](#) for Daffodil Day wherever you are across Australia.

Are you getting enough sleep this winter?

Sleep can be seen as less important than other activities in our busy lives. Many of us give up some sleep to catch up on other things like work, playing computer or late-night TV. Sleeping less than 7 hours per night has been linked to weight gain and increased stress. Just one or two nights of skipping sleep can make you have trouble concentrating and be irritable, moody and depressed.

For tips on improving your sleep, check out [ten steps to better sleep](#) and [How to sleep well when you're feeling stressed](#)

If you have any further queries, don't hesitate to contact us at WHS@ucaqld.com.au.

Safe Ministry with Children

Celebrate National Child Protection Week

This year's theme is children growing up safe and supported. Children and young people thrive when they grow up safe, connected and supported in their family, community and culture. Encourage children to [share](#) what they like best about their Church using a tool developed by the National Safe Church Unit. [Register](#) for free webinars from NAPCAN during National Child Protection Week 2022. NAPCAN has developed some [resources](#) and tips for faith-based organisations and for [educators](#). Or [download](#) NAPCAN's free activity book for children. Please consider obtaining [permission](#) to share photos of any activities or events from your congregation with us during National Child Protection Week.