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19th January 2020



- Pray for
- Those who are displaced but the fires, hurt and in need.
  - Families travelling on the roads during the school holidays.
  - Our Church family as we move forward into the future.

**If you would like to add a prayer request to the prayer chain please email [prayerchain@sherwooduc.com.au](mailto:prayerchain@sherwooduc.com.au) (also on the website). Your request will be automatically distributed to a group of people who will pray for you.**

*Please respect others' privacy and gain their permission first.*

## Tithes and Offerings

In response to God's generosity to us as individuals and as a community we choose to generously give in the offering each Sunday during worship. If you would like to give through Electronic Bank Transfer please use the following account:

**Sherwood Uniting Church | BSB: 124028 | Account: 10623918**

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## WELCOME!

This week's  
Readings:

Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm 40:1-11

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

John 1:29-42

### Psalm 40

1 I waited patiently for the Lord;  
he turned to me and heard my cry.

2 He lifted me out of the slimy pit,  
out of the mud and mire;  
he set my feet on a rock  
and gave me a firm place to stand.

3 He put a new song in my mouth,  
a hymn of praise to our God.  
Many will see and fear the Lord  
and put their trust in him.

4 Blessed is the one  
who trusts in the Lord,  
who does not look to the proud,  
to those who turn aside to false gods.[b]

5 Many, Lord my God,  
are the wonders you have done,  
the things you planned for us.

None can compare with you;  
were I to speak and tell of your deeds,  
they would be too many to declare.

6 Sacrifice and offering you did not desire—  
but my ears you have opened—  
burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not  
require.

7 Then I said, "Here I am, I have come—  
it is written about me in the scroll.<sup>8</sup> I desire  
to do your will, my God;  
your law is within my heart."

9 I proclaim your saving acts in the great  
assembly;  
I do not seal my lips, Lord,  
as you know.

10 I do not hide your righteousness in my  
heart;  
I speak of your faithfulness and your saving  
help.

I do not conceal your love and your  
faithfulness  
from the great assembly.

11 Do not withhold your mercy from me,  
Lord;  
may your love and faithfulness always  
protect me.

If you are visiting for the first time please make yourself known to our welcomers at the door. They will be happy to give you any directions and explanations you may need.

Please join us for Morning tea after church, in the courtyard.

Please send announcements to [laurene@sherwooduc.com.au](mailto:laurene@sherwooduc.com.au)  
by Thursday evening at 6:00pm

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**Ross and Karen will be on holidays** for the next 3 weeks. Worship will be ably conducted by Jocelyn Braddock, Rev David Nix and Erin Mawhinney and Chris Shea. We thank them and look forward to a great time of worship under their leadership. Pastoral Care issues should be directed to Claire Neumann.

We hope that Ross and Karen has a much deserved rest and come refreshed, ready to continued their work within the church.

### **Coming Up:**

World Day of Prayer will be held at St Joseph's Church, Oxley Road and Martindale Sts, Corinda, at 10.30 am on Friday 6th March 2020

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

Adult Fellowship: 13th Feb.

Church Family Dinner: 20th Feb.

Change the heart prayer service

Aunty Jean Phillips invites you to attend a #changetheheart prayer service led by Aboriginal christian leaders to bring Christians together across denominations. It is designed to educate Australian Christians about the true history of these lands, and the truth of 26 January and Aboriginal injustices.

18 January from 6.30pm at the Salvation Army Stafford Corps.

18 January from 7pm at St Matthew's Anglican Church in Upper Coomera.

19 January from 3pm at Kenmore Church of Christ.

**The review process is underway** with the questionnaire we filled in a few weeks ago. It is hoped the review will give us a snapshot of the health and culture of our church to allow us to move forward into 2020 and beyond with some clarity and understanding of God's will for us. There are some dates you are encouraged to note

### **Church Council meeting with the consultant**

**7pm Monday 17/2/20**

**Congregation 1 on 1 with the consultant**

**Saturday 22/2/20**

**Congregation workshop**

**10.30am Sunday 23/2/20**

**Church Council workshop**

**1pm Sunday 23/2/20**

**A sheet is in the carpark foyer for people to register to see the consultant for a 1 on 1 discussion on Saturday 22/2/20.**

**A Messy Church Training day** at St Matt's on Saturday 1 February, from 9am to 2pm. (BYO lunch, morning tea will be provided). Please let Ross know if you intend going.