

Diary Dates

Sun, 22 Tamworth City Worship with Rev Chris Wright. Morning Tea.

11:30am Korean Reborn

Mon, 23 4-5am Wheely Bean JH M-F

10am-4pm Op Shop M-F

4pm WW in Dunn Hall

5:30pm Dance in Jubilee H

Tue, 24 9am-2pm Office T,Th,Fri

10am-1pm Pres Bkeeper

4pm Fete Committee in St Andrew's Room

5-8pm WW in Dunn Hall

Wed, 25 ANZAC Day

5:30am Dawn Service

10am March

10:45am Remembrance

Op Shop Closed

6-9:30pm New Vogue in JH

Thu, 26 8:30am Prayer Group in Wesley Room

9am-4pm Rural Home

Nursing in St Andrew's Rm

9:30am Yoga in Dunn H

4:30pm Worship Music

Fri, 27 8:30am WW in Dunn Hall

9am-4pm Rural Home

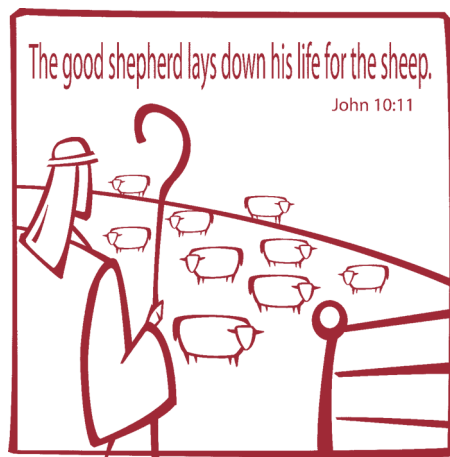
Nursing in St Andrew's Rm

Sat, 28 8-11am WW in Dunn Hall

9am-12noon Op Shop

Sun, 29 Tamworth City Worship with Rev Chris Wright. Morning Tea.

11:30am Korean Reborn



Preaching Plan

Sunday, 29 April—5th Sunday in Easter

9am Tamworth City with Rev Chris Wright E: J Bennett, D: B Mills, S Perkins, R Barclay, O: R Richardson, PP M Akioka

9:30am Tamworth Southside

10am Peel Valley Church on a Bus to Breeza

5pm Tamworth Southside



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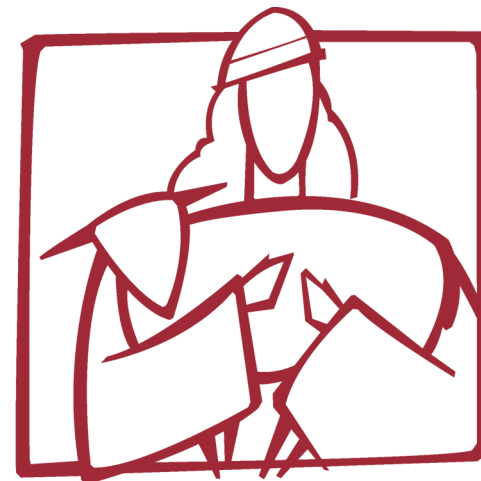
Other Useful Local

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Welcome to Tamworth City Uniting Church

We welcome all those worshipping with us today. Rev Chris Wright will be leading Worship. Please stay for a chat and morning tea afterwards.



One flock, one shepherd.
Jn 10:16

Easter Reflection

Seasons of the Spirit—Love in Truth & Action

Focus scriptures: John 10:11-18, Acts 4:5-12, Psalm 23 & 1 John 3:16-24.

Prayer

Loving Shepherd, hold us close and care for us each day. Lead us, guide us, challenge us, that we might form a more faithful community that journeys in your way. Amen.

Introduction

The biblical image of *shepherd* – used to describe both God and Jesus – is one of steadfast love and faithfulness. The focus text and psalm invite us to imagine God’s ultimate care for humankind through the essential qualities of a good shepherd: caring, rescuing, feeding, protecting, and guiding. Such love enfolds us as we journey as disciples of the Risen One.

Reflection

In John 10:1–6, Jesus offers a story to illustrate his mission among the people of God. This is a continuation of his dialogue with the Pharisees after the healing of one born blind in John 9. When the Pharisees and others who might have been listening do not understand the metaphor of “gatekeeper,” Jesus goes on to describe himself as “the gate for the sheep” (v. 7).

As we enter the focus scripture, Jesus casts himself as “the good shepherd,” a metaphor used for God in Ezekiel 34:11–31 and Psalm 23. It is likely that the gospel writer and the first readers of John made this connection – Jesus is claiming to be one with God and to be doing God’s work. The image of the good shepherd is rich: the shepherd cares for and protects the flock, returns lost sheep to the fold, and feeds the flock. This good shepherd puts the well-being of the flock ahead of everything else, even the shepherd’s own life. We today, like the first readers of John before us, are able to ponder the meaning of Jesus’ death and resurrection through this powerful image.

After saying what the good shepherd will do, Jesus adds what the shepherd will *not* do. Jesus contrasts the good shepherd with a hired hand,

Southside Scene

Worship: 9:30am & 5pm Sundays.
HC 3rd Sunday.

Ladies Breakfast: 7:30am on 4th
Tuesday each month.

Prayer Meeting: 3:30pm Tuesdays.

Worship Planning: 5:30pm Tuesdays.

Faith Art Group: 1pm Thursdays,
alternate weeks, school terms.

Men’s Choir: 5:30pm on Thursdays.

Men’s Breakfast: 7:30am on 1st
Saturday each month.

www.tamworthsouthside.org.au or

Facebook: *Tamworth Southside Uniting Church*

Our Vision: *To be a faithful & enthusiastic part of God’s church in our community, sharing the love of Jesus.*

Mission Statements: *To build up individuals and teams, empowered by the Holy Spirit, using our spiritual gifts to serve each other and our community.*



Peel Valley Congregations

Fri, 20 Apr—5:30pm Hallsville Friday
Family Service.

Sun, 22 Apr—8am Hallsville Markets,
8:30am Gowrie Service and 11am
West Tamworth with Meg Mangan.

Fri, 27 Apr—Hallsville No Church.

Sun, 29 Apr—Church on a Bus to
Breeza.

Tue, 1 May—10am Memory Lane at
West Tamworth.

Fri, 4 May—5:30pm Hallsville Friday
Family Church.

Sun, 6 May—11am West Tamworth
Church with lunch afterwards.

GOWRIE, HALLSVILLE & WEST TAMWORTH CONGREGATIONS

Our Goal “To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus.”

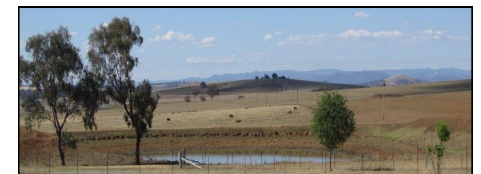
Mission “Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve”

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Preaching: Ross Davidson 6760 8369

Elders: Margaret Crowell, Ross Davidson,
Bruce Jarrett, Barbara Murray & Doss
Wark.



Today's Information

Worship on Sunday, 22 April 2018—4th Sunday in Easter

Worship service with Rev Chris Wright at 9am. Morning Tea. Elder: P Battle,
Door: M Honeyman, S Hardin, AV: J McClelland, Org: R Richardson.

Korean Reborn Church

11:30am Sundays for worship and then the Jubilee Kitchen for lunch.

Church Council Notes from 12 April Meeting

- Adopted a general plan for fund raising for congregational mission to minimise clashes on requests over the year.
- Thursday morning prayer group with minister working well and to continue.
- Congregational one-day retreat planned for later in the year. Approached leader available.
- Election of Elders to take place on 3rd June .
- Statement re. appointment of Sarah Wright as Children and Families Worker read out. Joint venture with Southside. Commissioning service 3 June at 2pm held at Southside.
- Decided to change time of bi-monthly Church Council Meetings from 7.30pm to 3pm on the allocated Thursdays as a trial for two meetings.
- Leave granted to Rev Chris for involvement in Women's Emmaus Walk on 15th July. Also annual leave from 20 August to 10 September.
- Fellowship Committee outlined plans for activities for year – sausage sizzles at end of school terms, a Trivial pursuit Dinner on 22nd June and a Congregational Luncheon on 29th November.
- Fete arrangements in hand.
- Noted Ethics training for leaders at Manilla on 27th May to be led by Rev Jim Furze.
- Began work on new Five Year Plan for Ministry and Mission 2018-2023.



Tamworth City Uniting Church Fete

When: Saturday, 5 May 2018 8:30am-1pm

**Where: Jubilee Hall & Church Grounds,
144 Marius Street, Tamworth**

Donations Welcome

Please keep this date free and tell your friends.

Please see if you are able to help supply one or more of the following stalls. If you can, please let the contact person know or inform the Church Office. All donations gratefully received. Some stalls will also need helpers. If you wish to help, see the contact person.

Antiques & Collectables: Contact Fran Kerr 6765 5113.

Bric-a-brac: Contact Judith Archbold 6766 6716.

Cakes: West Tamworth Contact Margaret Crowell 0408 660 025.

Craft: Contact Judy Carthew 6766 1593.

Desserts: Sylvia Mountain 6765 9820.

Face Painting & Toys: Rainbow Cottage 6766 7655.

Flowers: Contact Lorraine Turner 6766 6891.

Garden: Contact Don Willis 6765 7615.

Jams, Pickles, Confectionary & Cookies: Contact Annette Winter 6765 4507 or Judy Rae 6766 1313.

Morning Tea: Contact Elke Gevert 0457 337 376.

Produce: Contact Rob & Mariette Duns 6766 9909.

Barbecue: Contact Margot Hobson 6766 3656.

UNITING Information: UNITING 6761 2007

We will need help to set up on Friday, 4 May
and to man the stalls on the day.



Lunch & DVD

Our next monthly Lunch & DVD will be on Friday, 4 May from 12noon in the St Andrew's Room. Gold coin donation for lunch. All welcome.

Discussing Dementia

St Peter's Anglican Church are again offering the very popular Discussing Dementia with Rev Frank Van der Korput on Friday, 4 May 7-9:30pm or Saturday, 5 May 9:30am-12noon. This course follows on from the course held last year. Everyone's welcome. Register at St Peter's Office 6765 9304.

Church Fete

Saturday, 5 May 8:30am-1pm in the Jubilee Hall and Grounds. Bring your Family, Come have Fun, Bring your Friends, Support our Fete!

Worship on Sunday, 6 May 2018—6th Sunday in Easter

Worship service and Holy Communion with Rev Chris Wright at 9am. Sunday School Resumes. Morning Tea. Elder: M Duns, R Duns, J Bennett, M Hobson, P Battle, Door: N & J Dezius, M Cupitt, AV: A Winter, Org: R Greer.

Choral Society Concert

The Tamworth Choral Society are presenting "From Hammerstein to Bernstein Musical Melodies." A delightful selection of musical numbers, chosen from some of the great musical partnership of our time. Afternoon tea will follow. Sunday, 6 May at 2:30pm in the Carinya PAC. Adults \$15, Families \$30. Tickets available from Choir members or at the door.

Worship on Sunday, 13 May 2018—7th Sunday in Easter (Ascension Sunday)

Worship service with Rev Chris Wright at 9am. Sunday School. Morning Tea. Elder: R Duns, Door: M Duns, J Carthew, R Barclay, AV: J Phillips, Org: R Richardson.

Diary Dates

- 11 May—2pm Induction of Rev Henry Swindon at UNITING St Andrew's
- 12 May—9am NENW Presbytery Meeting in Inverell
- 15 May—Elder Nominations Close
- 3 June—2pm Commissioning of Young Families Worker at Southside

Church Fete—5 May

Check our 'Donations Welcome' Fete Flyer. Talk to the stall holder to see how you can help. Maybe its supplying items, maybe its working on the day, setting up or packing up. Lots of ways you can engage in our Fete. The Clayton's Fete box is at the back of the church for donations.

This Week's Events

Opportunity Shop

Our Opportunity Shop is located at 24 Darling Street. Normal hours 10am-4pm Mondays to Fridays and 9am-12noon on Saturdays. Contact Lorraine (0401 762 463) or Judy (0418 662 081). Closed Anzac Day.

Church Office

Regular house 9am-2pm Tuesdays to Fridays. All hall bookings through the office please. Thank you, *Nicolette*. Closed Anzac Day.

Fete Committee Meeting

Tuesday 24 April from 4pm in the St Andrew's Room.

ANZAC Day

Wednesday, 25 April. 5:30am Dawn Service. 10am Marching from Bourke Street to the Town Hall for a service of remembrance at 10:45am.

Prayer Group

Meeting on Thursday mornings from 8:30am in the Wesley Room.

Rural Home Nursing

Workshops in the St Andrew's Room on Thursday, 26th & Friday, 27th April.

Next Week & Beyond

Worship on Sunday, 29 April 2018—5th Sunday in Easter

Worship service with Rev Chris Wright at 9am. Morning Tea. Elder: J Bennett, Door: B Mills, S Perkins, R Barclay, AV: M Akioka, Org: R Greer.

KYB Study Group

Our KYB Study Group meet at 1:30pm in the home of Paul & Lorraine Turner, 26 Upper St. Contact 6766 6891. Not school holidays. Next 30 April.

Adult Fellowship

Meeting on Tuesday, 1 May from 9:30am for Morning Tea in St Andrew's R.

2018 Tech Savvy Seniors

A NSW Govt. initiative followed by some light refreshments. An opportunity to participate in training on different technology. Tuesday, 1 May, 10am-12noon Introduction to smart phones; 1-3pm Introduction to email; Wednesday, 2 May, 10am-12noon Introduction to tablets; 1-3pm Introduction to social media at the TRC Library. Book on 6767 5228.

Friends of Nioka

Meeting on Tuesday, 1 May from 7pm in St Andrew's Room.

Op Shop Working Bee

Sorting each Wednesday in the Vestry. Lots of chit-chat with your hard work and then a cuppa! All helpers welcome.

Aged Care Services

Monthly aged care HC services at McKay House & Alblas Lodge from 10:15am with Rev Chris Wright. All helpers and singers most welcome.

Presbytery MSSC Meeting

Held in the St Andrew's Room on Thursday, 3 May from 9:30am.

Fete Set-Up

Jubilee Hall from Thursday, 3 May and Friday, 4 May from 9am, both days. Then our big Fete Day on Saturday, 5 May from 8:30am. Everyone's welcome to join in the work, fellowship and fun. Join us!

Craft Group

Our craft group meet on the 1st and 3rd Friday morning of the month at 10am in the St Andrew's Room. Bring along some craft, have a chat and a cuppa. Our next get together will be Friday, 4 May.



Tamworth City Uniting



CHURCH FETE

Saturday, 5 May 2018

8:30am-1pm

**Jubilee Hall & Church Grounds,
144 Marius Street, Tamworth**

Stalls include

Bric-a-brac,
Collectables &
Cookies,
Craft, Drinks,



Barbecue,
Cakes,
Antiques,
Confectionary,
Flowers,

Gardening, Jams/Condiments, Kids Toy Stall,
Morning Tea, Children's Activities, Produce, Sweets
and Lots, Lots More...

Bargains Galore...Fun for Everyone!!!

***Bring your Family, Come, have Fun,
Bring your Friends, Support our Fete!***