

## Diary Dates

**Sun, 24 9am Tamworth City Worship with Rev Chris Wright. Mission Envelopes. Morning Tea.**  
 11:30am Korean Reborn  
 12noon Legacy Soup & Damper Lunch in Jubilee Hall

**Mon, 25 4-5am Wheely BeanJH M-F**  
 9:30am Kairos Sewing JH  
 10am-4pm Op Shop M-F  
 1:30pm KYB 26 Upper St  
 5-8pm WW in Dunn Hall  
 6-9:30pm New Vogue in JH

**Tue, 26 9am-2pm Office Tue-Fri**  
 9am Carpet Cleaning StAR  
 Heart of Man—Forum6  
 10am-1pm Pres Bkeeper  
 5-8pm WW in Dunn Hall

**Wed, 27 9am Op Shop Sorting**  
 Heart of Man—Forum6  
 5pm Rainbow Cottage Meet.  
 6-9:30pm New Vogue in JH  
 6pm Meditation Service in the Church Chapel

**Thu, 28 8:30am Early Risers Prayer**  
 9:30am Yoga in Dunn H  
 4:30pm Worship Music

**Fri, 29 8:30am WW in Dunn Hall**

**Sat, 30 8-11am WW in Dunn Hall**  
 9am-12noon Op Shop  
 2pm Private Function JH

**Sun, 1 9am Tamworth City Worship and Holy Communion with Rev Chris Wright. Sunday School. Sausage Sizzle Morning Tea. Food Hamper Sunday.**  
 11:30am Korean Reborn  
 2:30pm Catherine Hamlyn  
 Movie Afternoon at Forum6



## Preaching Plan

### Sunday, 1 July 2018

9am Tamworth City with Rev Chris Wright HC E: R Hely, L Johnston, A Ashworth, J Carthew, P Battle (Children), D: J Phillips, B Johnston, R Barclay, O: R Greer, PP A Winter.

9:30am Tamworth Southside

11am West Tamworth—Lunch to follow

5pm Tamworth Southside



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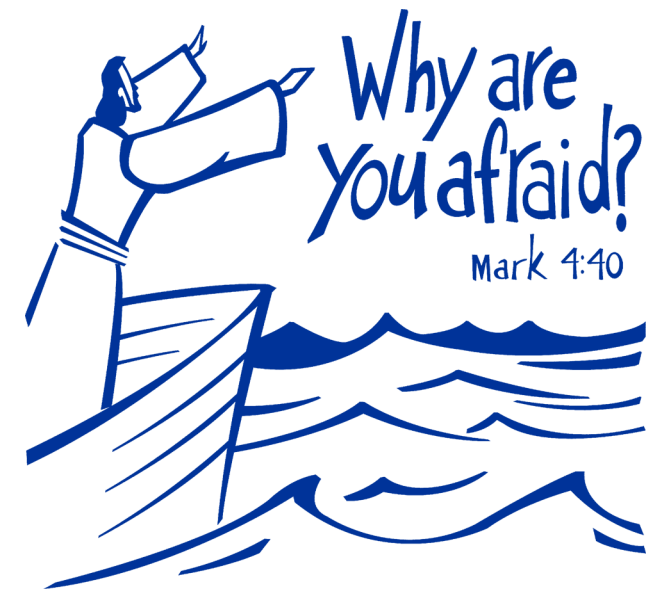
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## Welcome to Tamworth City Uniting Church

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



## *Sacredise Reflection*

### *Thought for the Week*

This week we are challenged to revisit our understanding of power and authority. In the Old Testament you may read the well-known story of David slaying the giant Goliath, and in the Gospel this week you may have encountered Jesus calming the storm. Both appear to be stories of God's power over people and over nature. The picture seems to be one of dominance, might and conquest. But, then, in the Epistle reading (2 Corinthians 6:1-13) Paul speaks about the authority of his ministry coming from his service of, and sacrifice for, the new believers. This gives a window into what the Scriptures mean by God's power or God's authority. Notice, then, how both Jesus' miracle and David's victory were done in service of others and sought to bring others into a deeper submission to God's purpose and values.

When we reflect on these thoughts carefully, we cannot help but recognise that authority, for Jesus, works differently than we would usually expect. In the realm of God's Reign true authority is the authority to serve, to lay down one's life, to sacrifice, and to liberate. It is the authority of faith and relationships, of humility and love, rather than the authority of might and dominance. David offered himself on behalf of his people and his God to fight a battle that he shouldn't have been able to win. He went out on to the battlefield as a servant. Jesus calmed the storm as an act of grace and compassion for his frightened disciples and then called them to deeper faith. He acted, in the boat, as a servant.

This week, we will learn what it means to live under God's authority and to live with authority in Christ's name.

### *Reflection*

Mark 4:35-41 After an intense period of teaching, Jesus wants to withdraw and take his ministry to other parts of the country. So he asks his disciples to take him across the lake. But, as we know, the storm hits and, in their terror, the disciples wake the sleeping Jesus, pleading with him to save

## *Southside Scene*

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

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

**Tuesday Lunch:** 12-1pm Tuesdays.

**Prayer Team:** 3:30pm Tuesdays.

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

**Men's Choir:** 5:30pm on Thursdays.

**Moore Creek Monthly:** 7-9pm 4th  
Friday.

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

[www.tamworthsouthside.org.au](http://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.*



## *Peel Valley Congregations*

**Fri, 22 June**—5:30pm Hallsville Friday  
Family Church.

**Sun, 24 June**—8:30am Gowrie  
Service, Hallsville Markets, 11am  
West Tamworth Service.

**Fri, 29 June**—5:30pm Hallsville Friday  
Family Church.

**Sun, 1 July**—11am West Tamworth  
Service with lunch to follow.

**Tue, 3 July**—10am Memory Lane at  
West Tamworth Church.

**Sun, 8 July**—8:30am Gowrie Service  
and 11am West Tamworth Service.

### **GOWRIE, HALLSVILLE & WEST TAMWORTH CONGREGATIONS**

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

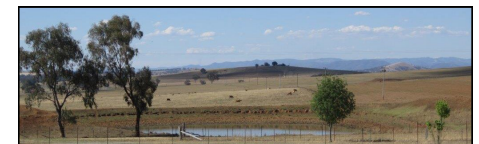
*Mission "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve"*

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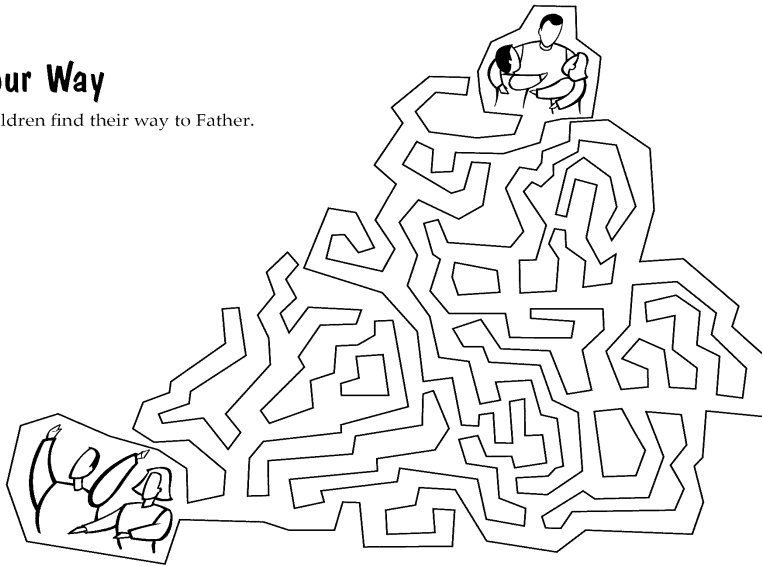
Preaching: Ross Davidson 6760 8369

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



## Find Your Way

Help the children find their way to Father.



## Recipe Box

Here's something you can make for your dad, or someone special, on Father's Day. Each box has words from the recipe. Find the boxes with 1s and write the words in the order given on another sheet of paper. Do the same for 2s, 3s, and so forth.

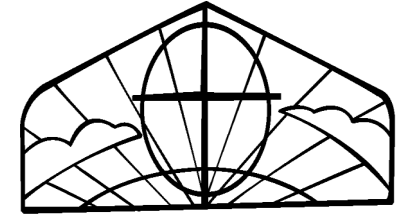
3	When bottom	2	Heat small skillet	1	Beat well	4	Loosen egg mix	3	of mixture
1	2-3 eggs	4	on the	2	on low.	3	is firm	1	in bowl,
4	unjellied	2	Melt 1 Tbsp butter	4	front half.	1	add small amount	2	and pour in eggs.
3	and top is soft	4	Tip pan	3	(not runny),	4	away	4	from you
4	and flip	1	of salt and pepper.	4	front half	3	spoon 2 Tbsp jam	4	over back.
3	evenly over	5	Serve on	3	back half of egg.	5	buttered toast.		

Answers: 1. Beat well 2-3 eggs in bowl, add small amount of salt and pepper. 2. Heat small skillet on low. Melt 1 Tbsp butter and pour in eggs. 3. When bottom of mixture is firm and top is soft (not runny), spoon 2 Tbsp jam evenly over back half of egg. 4. Loosen egg mix on the unjellied front half. Tip pan away from you and flip front half over back. 5. Serve on buttered toast.

## Lectionary Readings

Sun	24	Psalm 9:9-20*	Fri	29	2 Corinthians 8:7-15*
Mon	25	1 Samuel 19:1-17	Sat	30	Mark 5:21-43*
Tue	26	2 Samuel 1:1-16	Sun	1	Psalm 130*
Wed	27	2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27*	* Denotes Sunday lectionary readings		
Thu	28	2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1			

them. After calming the storm he asks them, "Do you still have no faith?" It's tempting to read this as meaning that they should have calmed the storm themselves without Jesus' help. I suspect, though, that a more likely reading is that Jesus expected them to have begun to learn to trust enough that whatever they faced they could remain calm and unafraid. As he slept in the boat during the storm he demonstrated the faith he expected from them. It can often take far more faith to stay calm and trusting in a storm than to make the storm go away.



Notice how Jesus never promises his disciples that they will have pain-free lives of ease and comfort. He does not teach that faith is a doorway to having everything go our way. Rather he teaches that faith is about trust and strength and courage no matter what we may face. It's about staying true to the character of Jesus - to his grace, compassion, love, and justice - even when the storm is raging around us. For Jesus the real storm was not the wind and waves, but the persecution and accusation of both his family and the religious leaders. Yet, neither storm could shake his faith or make him betray himself in any way.

The big question, then, is what we become when the storm hits - do we show the calm, serving authority of Jesus? Or do we become panicked, afraid and self-centred?

### *Practice for Today*

Sometimes staying faithful and living under God's authority is as simple as choosing to do so. By affirming each day that we choose to follow Jesus, we strengthen our faith and prepare ourselves for whatever challenges we may have to face.

### *Breath-Prayer for Today*

No matter what storms may come my way, I commit to live as a true, faithful citizen of God's Reign.

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# Today's Information

## Worship on Sunday, 24 June

Worship service with Rev Chris Wright at 9am. Elder Commissioning. UCA Anniversary. Morning Tea.

## Korean Reborn Church

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

## Legacy Soup & Damper Lunch

Sunday, 24 June from 12noon in Jubilee Hall.

## Soup and Damper Trivial Pursuit Night

What a great night! Lots of fun and fellowship on a cold winter's night.

## Young Families Worker—Stepping Stones

Sarah is looking for some assistance with morning tea, read a book, sing, all sorts and helpers for her group that will meet here at Tamworth City on Thursday mornings 10am-12noon. Commencing 26 July. Sign-up sheet available at Morning Tea.

## Farmer Care Packages

Thank you everyone. We have sent our first round of Farmer Care Packages this week. We are continuing to put together some Care Packages for farmers. If you would like to donate some personal/toiletry items, please leave them at the church office.

## Assembly Meeting—40 Days of Prayer & Action

The Uniting Church Assembly (National) meeting is coming up in July in Melbourne with the theme "Abundant Grace, Liberating Hope". We offer these prayers to recognising that there will be many words flooding over us all as we prepare to go on his journey together. Prayer themes this week include: Meditate, Pray Without Ceasing, Be Open to Teaching and Reflection, Be the Light, Walk Alongside First Peoples, Close Your Eyes, and Our Defence Force Chaplains.

## Diary Dates

- 20 July—Tamworth Christian Men's Dinner
- 6 September—Adult Fellowship Rally at Tamworth City
- 20 October—Makes You Wonder—Sharing Our Faith Workshop
- 1 December—Congregational Retreat at Burrabaroo

## Prayers

### Prayer Focus—Tamworth City

Today we focus on Pastoral Partners, Elders, St Andrew's Village, Fellowship Committee, Hospital Visitation and Opportunity Shop. Please uphold these in your private prayers during the week.

### Ecumenical Prayer Calendar

Keep the people of Argentina and Uruguay in your prayers this week.

### Prayer Diary—Tamworth Churches

We keep the activities of the Father's House church, Trinity church, Tamworth City, Southside and Peel Valley Uniting Churches, Hope of Glory church and Carinya Christian School in our prayers.

### Presbytery Prayer Points

We continue to pray for steady rain across our Presbytery. Keep in your prayers upcoming events: Assembly meeting in Melbourne 8-14 July; and Presbytery AGM 25 August.

### Scripture in Schools

Special thanks for those who are preparing to lead classes in our high schools this year—Andrew, Ross, Belinda, Alison and Dave. As usual funding is solely from donations. If you would like to contribute: A/c name TSCEAI, BSB 032 621, A/c No. 372 372. Thank you.

### Prayer Chain

If you have a concern that you would particularly like prayer support for, please contact Judith Archbold 6766 6716 or Ted Woodhart 6766 1804.



### **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 on Friday, 6 July.

### **Lunch & DVD**

Monthly Lunch & DVD will be held on Friday, 6 July from 12noon in the St Andrew's Room. Gold coin donation for lunch. Stay and enjoy a DVD together. Contact Jim & Lorraine Furze 6761 7371.

### **End School Term 2**

Friday, 6 July.

### **Worship on Sunday, 8 July**

Worship service with Rev Chris Wright at 9am. Morning Tea. Elder: R Duns, Door: M Duns, S Perkins, W Townsend, AV: J Phillips, Org: R Richardson.

### **ISCF Leadership Conference**

9-13 July at Tamworth. Register at [www.sunsw.org.au/iscf/c](http://www.sunsw.org.au/iscf/c)

### **Compassionate Friends**

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Wednesday, 11 July at 10am.

### **Emmaus Walks**

Men's and Women's Emmaus Walks will be held on 12-15 July. Rev Chris will be attending as Spiritual Director.

### **Senior's Communion**

Monthly Senior's Communion will be held on Friday, 13 July at 10.

### **Private Function**

Jubilee Hall on Saturday, 14 July from 5pm.

### **Worship on Sunday, 15 July**

Worship service with Mr Peter Battle at 9am. Morning Tea. Elder: W Standen, Door: R & P Pryor, E Gevert, AV: J Carthew, Org: R Cathcart.

11am West Tamworth—Mr Peter Battle.

### **Church Council Meeting**

Notes from the meeting 14 June:

- All 20 elders who nominated were elected.
- Reconsideration time of Church Council Meetings to 7pm-9pm from 9 Ag
- New lease of Manse at \$450/wk.
- Mission Envelopes theme this month for UnitingWorld due in my Sunday, 24th. The Government will support 5:1 all donations in June.
- Joy Balazo Peace Project in the Philippines—update in worship 1 July.
- Uniting working on new Model Children's Services Constitution for Rainbow Cottage.
- Frontier Services BBQ 23 September.
- Services covered while Rev Chris is on leave/studying.
- Farmer Care Packages—Rev Phill Matthews to collect and distribute.
- Meditation Services at 6pm on Wednesdays lead by Rev John Marsh.
- Working bee on Jubilee Hall 13 June.
- Hall Hire Agreements to be updated.
- Finance—Annette presented financial report. Gai Newby has been asked to help with data entry.
- 6-month review for Rev Chris 22 June.
- Fete report—resounding success, thanks to committee, good preparation and financial result \$6,617. Well done.
- We did some work on the Ministry and Mission Plan.
- New Young Mums group will be called Stepping Stones.
- Admissions process for Rev Chris update.

### **Jan Alblas 90th Birthday**

Many of you will remember Rev Jan Alblas. He is celebrating his 90th birthday on 11 July. If you would like to sent a message, contact daughter Marieane Dunn, 7 Symbol Close, BELMONT NORTH 2280 Ph 02 4945 1579.

### **Admission of Ministers**

The Synod Standing Committee would like to congratulate Rev Chris Wright on being admitted as a Minister of the Uniting Church in Australia. This will be recognised at a special service on 5 August.



## *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).

### **KYB Study Group**

Our KYB Study Group meet at 1:30pm on Mondays in the home of Paul & Lorraine Turner, 26 Upper St. Contact 6766 6891. All welcome.

### **Church Office**

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

### **St Andrew's Room**

Carpet Cleaning 26-28 June.

### **The Heart of Man Movie**

Forum 6 will screen The Heart of Man for limited sessions this week 26/27 June. A cinematic retelling of the parable of the Prodigal Son, intertwined with contemporary & poignant true testimonies. Shame is not a barrier to God's love, but a bridge to absolute transformation, victory, freedom & hope

### **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. A very industrious morning.

### **Rainbow Cottage Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, 7 June from 5pm at Rainbow Cottage.

### **Meditation Service**

John Marsh will be leading a meditation service on Wednesday evenings from 6pm (new time) in the Church Chapel area. You're most welcome.



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### **Early Risers Prayer Group**

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

### **Private Function**

Saturday, 30 June from 2pm in Jubilee Hall.

## *Next Week & Beyond*

### **Worship on Sunday, 1 July**

Worship service and Holy Communion with Rev Chris Wright at 9am. Sunday School. Morning Tea and Sausage Sizzle after church. Food Hamper Sunday. Elder: R Hely, L Johnston, A Ashworth, J Carthew, Door: J Phillips, B Johnston, R Barclay, AV: A Winter, Org: R Greer.

### **Catherine Hamlyn Movie Afternoon**

You are invited to come to the Forum 6 Cinemas from 2:30pm for a fund raising afternoon watching the movie "Mary Magdalene." Afternoon tea and a speaker. Tickets from Forum 6 \$16.50 each.

### **One Door Mental Health—Carer Support**

Meeting on Monday, 2 July from 10am in the Dunn Hall.

### **Meals on Wheels—Kitchen Roster**

Our next rostered day will be, Tuesday, 3 July from 8am.

### **City Adult Fellowship**

Monthly morning tea and meeting on Tuesday, 3 July from 9:30am in the St Andrew's Room. All are welcome to join us.

### **Friends of Nioka**

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Tuesday, 3 July from 7pm.

### **Friends of Nioka Bereavement Support Group**

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Wednesday, 4 July from 10am.



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