

Diary Dates

Sun, 10 9am Tamworth City Worship and Christmas Appeal Launch with Rev Will Pearson. Sunday School. Congregational Annual General Meeting. Morning Tea.

11:30am Korean Reborn Church & Lunch

Mon, 11 Remembrance Day

9:30am Kairos Sewing JH
10am-4pm Op Shop M-F
10am Uniting in St A Room

Tue, 12 8am-6pm Police Wkshp StAR

9am-2pm T-F Church Office
9:30am LLine Dancers JH
10am Pres Bookkeeper
10am One Door Support DH
10am Stepping Stones
Breastfeeding Assn@Sthside

Wed, 13 8am-6pm Police Wkshp StAR

9am Op Shop Sorting—Vest
10am Compassionate Friends in the Dunn Hall

4:30pm Elders Fellowship in Dunn Hall

6pm Meditation in Chapel

6-9:30pm New Vogue JH

Thu, 14 9:30am Stepping Stones DH

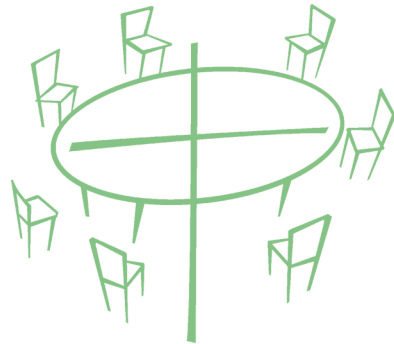
9:30am Yoga in St AR
9:30am Nursing Home Service at Cottage Homes
4:30pm Church Music

Fri, 15 10am Craft Group in StAR

Sat, 16 9am-12noon Op Shop

Sun, 17 9am Tamworth City Worship with Rev Will Pearson. Sunday School. Morning Tea.

11:30am Korean Reborn Church & Lunch



Preaching Plan

Sunday, 17 November—Pentecost 23

8:30am Gowrie—Rev Henry Swindon

9am Tamworth City—Rev Will Pearson—Elder: E Sheppard; Door: M Honeyman, M & D Miles; PPoint: J Carthew; Organ: R Cathcart

9:30 Tamworth Southside



10 November 2019

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Welcome to Tamworth City Uniting Church

We welcome all those worshipping with us today at Tamworth City. Rev Will Pearson will be leading our service. Our Congregational AGM will conclude worship today. Please stay for a chat and morning tea.



Sacredise Daily Worship

Honouring Dignity & Freedom...

Thought for the Week

What does eternity look like for you? Do you imagine lots of clouds and harps, with us all floating around as disembodied spirits in white robes? This may be a comical image, but the idea that our bodies are temporary and our spirits are eternal is widespread and persistent. But, this is not the message of the New Testament. Rather, the Scriptures teach a shocking truth, which we call resurrection – that our bodies (and, indeed the entire universe) are eternal and are raised from death in a glorified state in the end.

The message of resurrection is not just about what happens after we die. If our entire beings (including our bodies) are eternal, then the physical world has value to God. And that means that it matters how we treat our bodies and those of others, and how we use the natural resources of our planet. But, resurrection is not just something with which we agree in our heads. Resurrection is a truth that we live in every moment, as we choose either to cooperate with God's life or to ignore it or oppose it. Whenever we contribute life to others, we work with God's resurrection life. Whenever we make some else's life poorer, we oppose God's resurrection.

This week resurrection will be the focus of our meditations.

Reading

Luke 20:27-38

Reflection

The question the Sadducees posed to Jesus was intended to place him squarely in the political and religious landscape of his day. There was a great dispute between the Pharisees, who believed in resurrection, and the Sadducees, who didn't. But, while Jesus' response affirmed the resurrection, and so seemed to align with the Pharisees, his comments went far beyond what the Pharisees believed. So, Jesus stepped out of the religious dispute of these two factions, and challenged them both to seek a deeper understanding of God and God's life. If they had listened to him, they would have discovered not just a hope for eternity, but a whole new way of living this side of the grave.

Southside Scene



Worship: 9:30am Sundays. HC 3rd Sunday. In recess 5pm Dec/Jan.

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

Stepping Stones: 10am-12noon in Acacia Room on Tues, school terms.

Prayer Team: 3pm Tuesdays.

Lectionary Study & Worship

Preparation: 4pm Tuesdays.

Motor Bike Ride: 9am 2nd & 4th Wednesdays.

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

Men's Choir: 5:30pm on alternate

Thursdays.

Men's Bowls: 9:45am 2nd & 4th

Friday North Tamworth Bowling Club

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

Website: www.tsuc.org.au or

Facebook: Tamworth Southside UC

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 & our community.*

Peel Valley Congregations

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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Elders: Margaret Crowell, Ross Davidson, and Bruce Jarrett.

Sun, 10 Nov—8:30am Gowrie

Service, 11am West Tamworth Service & HC with Meg Mangan.

Fri, 15 Nov—6pm Hallsville Friday Family Church with Rev Henry Swindon.

Sun, 17 Nov—8:30am Gowrie Service and West Tamworth Service with Rev Henry Swindon. Trading Table.

Tue, 19 Nov—10am Memory Lane at West

Tamworth.

Thu, 21 Nov—2:30pm Bible



God's Road Map

The Bible is like a road map showing us the way we should go. Fill in the blanks with the words you find in the WORD FIND. Some words may be used twice or may not be used at all.



- Lines from one side of the map to the other are from east to _____.
- You can _____ a map to show where you live.
- A _____ has a direction needle.
- The direction needle always points _____.
- On a map a _____ usually means a capitol.
- Lines running up and down are north and _____.
- _____ are used on maps to show mountains, rivers, and cities.
- There is a _____ on each map to show how much distance is a mile.
- A local map shows _____ in a town.
- The area right around your home might be called your _____.
- If you are lost, a _____ will tell you which direction is north, south, east and west.
- A _____ can help you find your way in a new area.
- On maps of countries, there are lines that show _____ where you would change your watch when traveling.
- A map makes a very large area look _____.
- With a compass and a map you can find your way to just about _____.

1. west 2. draw 3. compass 4. north 5. star 6. south 7. symbols 8. scale 9. streets 10. neighborhood 11. compass 12. map 13. compass 14. small 15. anywhere

Word Find



Answers

G	S	Z	A	N	Y	W	H	E	R	E	A	H	B
R	C	I	T	E	C	S	D	A	O	R	D	N	J
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S	O	S	T	D	U	M	E	X	P	V	F	W	Y

- Anywhere
- Compass
- Draw
- Magnet
- Map
- Names
- Neighborhood
- North
- Number
- Roads
- Scale
- Small
- Star
- Streets
- South
- Symbols
- Time Zones
- West

Lectionary Readings

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| Sun 10 | Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21* | Fri 15 | Luke 21:5-19* |
| Mon 11 | Isaiah 65:17-25* | Sat 16 | Luke 21:29-36 |
| Tue 12 | Zephaniah 3:14-21 | Sun 17 | Isaiah 12* |
| Wed 13 | 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5 | * Denotes Sunday lectionary readings | |
| Thu 14 | 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13* | | |

The scenario the Sadducees described could well have happened in Jesus' day. It was based on a law called that required a widow to marry her deceased husband's brother in order to bear children to continue the dead man's lineage. In their literalism, though, the Sadducees imagined confusion in eternity when all seven brothers could potentially claim this woman as their wife. However, Jesus cut through this in two ways. Firstly, he describes what life is like in eternity. He doesn't say that we become angels, but that we are like angels in the sense that we do not die, and that we no longer need legal protections like marriage contracts. Secondly, he teaches that, in God's Reign, people are not "given in marriage". In other words, no one is ever another person's property in the way wives were the property of husbands in his time. The dignity and humanity that Jesus describes comes from the life of God that lives in everyone, and that requires us to recognise the inherent value and freedom of every person. This is what it means to believe in resurrection!

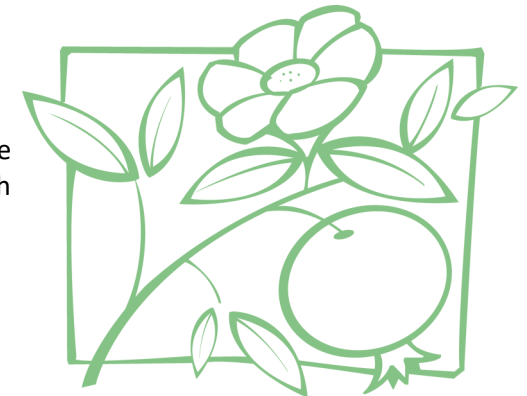
How can you view other people through the lens of resurrection today, and honour their dignity and freedom?

Practice for Today

When we speak words of blessing to others, we uplift them and enhance their lives. And, when we recognise that they, too, are eternal beings created by God, it becomes much easier to bless them. Today, take a moment to recognise God's life in everyone you meet, and then try to bless them in some way.

Breath-Prayer for Today

I bless everyone I meet, because your resurrection life flows through them, O God.



They are the children of the resurrection.

Luke 20:36

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Today's Information

Worship on Sunday, 10 November

9am Worship Service with Rev Will Pearson. Sunday School. Christmas Appeal Launch. Congregational AGM at the end of Worship. Morning Tea.

Korean Reborn Church

11:30am Sundays for worship. Jubilee Kitchen & Dunn Hall for lunch.

With Love to the World

Would you like to receive this daily devotional? Or continue to receive it? Please contact the office. The cost will remain \$20/year.

Hospitality/Visitation

While Rev Will Pearson is here with us, he would like to visit as many people as possible. If you'd like to have a visit please let Will know (0431 150 253).

Congregational AGM

Nominations Received—Church Council Reps: Judith Harding, John McClelland, Heather McKenzie, Dorothy Miles, Sandra Perkins, Judy Phillips and Ray Pryor. Lay Preaching Rep Barry Gillett. Deputy Chairperson NENW Presbytery Reps and alternates to be elected from the floor.

Doing It For Our Farmers

We continue to support our local farmers with drought relief packages, vouchers and prayers. There is always someone in need.

Congratulations to Sue-Ellen Wilkin who was nominated for and received a Department of Primary Industries Hidden Treasures Honour Roll 2019—celebrating women volunteers who give so much to their rural communities.

Target/UnitingCare Christmas Appeal

Do you know someone who'd appreciate some help this Christmas? Let the office know. You can buy a Bauble at Target or make a donation to the office. Wrap a box in readiness for our big drive from Monday, 16 December. Collection day is 19th December. Every little bit helps. This year we are including our DIFO farmers, so it's all hands on deck!



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.

Maintenance Items

Yoga Group

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Thursday mornings from 10am.

Line Dancing

The Locomotive Line Dancers will be hiring the Jubilee Hall from 9:30am-12:30pm on Tuesdays for Line Dancing and Occasional Social Dances on a Sunday afternoon.

New Vogue Dance Group

Meeting in the Jubilee Hall from 6pm-9:30pm on Wednesdays.

Hospital Visit

Are you scheduled to go into hospital? If so, you need to let us know if you want visitors (your Pastoral Partner, an Elder, or the Office). The current system at the Hospitals does not allow us access to this information easily.

Stamp Collecting News

Funds raised support projects across the Uniting Church in NSW. Keep in mind that the stamps you receive today, our customers are anxious to buy tomorrow at the Synod Stamp Committee sales. Keep them coming in. Leave them at the church office for trimming/sorting.

Reverse Parking

We've had a couple of near-misses recently. Would everyone using the car park please reverse park into parking spaces. This will mean that when it gets full it will be easier to get out and pedestrians will be safer. Thanks.

Library

We have a library of books/DVDs in the Vestry. Do you have any you no longer require of a religious nature to donate to our Library? Maybe you'd like to borrow a book. Talk to Peter Battle 6766 7455.

Transport to Church

Can you help with transport to church? Maybe you've got a spare seat and can pick someone up from nearby on your way. Contact the office on 6766 5311.

Key Audit

Please check your need for keys to the various buildings here at Tamworth City. Take the opportunity to return a key you no longer need.

Diary Dates to Note

- 3rd—4:30pm Property Committee; 7pm Friends of Nioka
- 4th—10am Bereavement Support; 5pm Compassionate Friends Service
- 6th—10am Craft Group; 12noon Fellowship & Lunch n Chatter Christmas Lunch
- 7th—6pm Carols in Bicentennial Park
- 8th—7:30pm Coffee, Cake & Carols at St Johns with the Choral Society
- 2019 Christmas Appeal reminders: 1 November books open for those who need to put their name down; 16-18th December Christmas hampers and gifts prepared; 19th Collection.
- Thinking ahead—NENW Presbytery 2020 Preaching Workshop 7/8 Feb.

Prayers

Prayer Focus—Tamworth City

Today we focus on the activities of the Worship, Evangelism, Property and Finance & Admin Committees. Please uphold these in your private prayers during the week.

Ecumenical Prayer Calendar

Keep the people of Republic of Congo, Gabon, Sao Tome and Principe in your prayers this week.

Prayer Diary—Tamworth Churches

We keep the activities of the Life Church, the Hospital Chaplain, St Paul's Anglican Church, Harvest Church, Liberty Church, Calrossy School and Carinya Christian School in our prayers.

Presbytery Prayer Points

We continue to pray for life-sustaining rain to fall across our Presbytery. Our annual Preaching Workshop 7/8 February 2020.

Scripture in Schools

Special thanks for those who lead classes in our high schools this year—Andrew, Ross, Belinda and Darrel. Funding from donations. If you would like to contribute: A/c name TSCEAI, BSB 032 621, A/c No. 372 372. Thank you.



This Week's Events

Remembrance Day

Monday, 11 November.

Kairos Outside Sewing Group

Kairos Outside Sewing Group will be meeting in the Jubilee Hall on Mondays from 9:30am-3pm each week during school terms.

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).

UNITING Support Group

UNITING Support Group meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Mondays from 10am-2pm from Home & Community Care.

Police Workshops

The Police will be using the St Andrew's Room on Tuesday and Wednesday, 12 and 13 November from 8am-5pm.

Church Office

Regular office hours 9am-2pm Tuesday-Friday. *Nicolette.*

Locomotive Line Dancing

Hiring the Jubilee Hall from 9:30am-12:30pm on Tuesdays.

Stepping Stones

The Breastfeeding Assn will be visiting the group at Southside at 10am on Tuesday, 12 November.

One Door Carer Support

Meeting in the Dunn Hall on Tuesday, 12 November from 10am.

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.

Compassionate Friends

Meeting in the Dunn Hall on Tuesday, 13 November from 10am.

Elder's Fellowship

Meeting in the DUNN HALL on Wednesday, 13 November from 4:30pm.

Meditation Service

Weekly meditation service lead by Rev John Marsh on Wednesdays evenings from 6pm in the Chapel area. During School Terms.

New Vogue Dance Group

Meeting in the Jubilee Hall 6-9:30pm Wednesdays.

Stepping Stones Play Group

Join us at Tamworth City from 10am-12noon on Thursdays in the Dunn Hall. Or at Tamworth Southside Tuesdays 10am-12noon. Making Advent Calendars this week.

Yoga Group

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Thursdays from 5 September 9:30am.

Nursing Home Service

Join Rev Chris Wright at Cottage Homes from 9:30am on Thursday, 14 Nov.

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, 15 November.

Next Week & Beyond

Worship on Sunday, 17 November

9am Worship Service with Rev Will Pearson. Elder: E Sheppard; D: M Honeyman, M & D Miles; PP: J Carthew; O: R Cathcart. Sunday School. Morning Tea.

Church Office

Open Monday, 18 November, Closed Tuesday, 19 November.

Op Shop Christmas Lunch

Monday, 18 November 12noon for 12:30 lunch at the Southgate Inn. \$20/head. RSVP to the office by Friday, 15 November. Thank you everyone.

Association of Independent Retirees

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Tuesday, 19 November from 9am.

Senior's Getting Together Fellowship

Christmas Lunch on Tuesday, 19 November from 12noon for 12:30pm at Hallsville Uniting Church. Thank you to Red Cross ladies for promise a lovely lunch.

Worship on Sunday, 24 November

9am Worship Service with Rev Will Pearson. Elder: J Dezius; D: N Dezius, J Crosling, B Mills; PP: J McClelland; O: R Richardson. Sunday School. Morning Tea.

Congregational Christmas Lunch

Sunday, 24th November meeting from 12noon at the Dragon Palace. Please RSVP to Rob and Mariette Duns 6766 9909.

Advent Studies

Rev Will Pearson has offered to take our annual Advent Studies commencing 28 November at 2pm and 7pm. The studies will be in the notice sheet each week so that everyone can join in.

Worship on Sunday, 1 December - Advent 1

9am Worship Service and Holy Communion with Rev Will Pearson. Elder: A Ashworth, P Turner, E Sheppard, J Carthew, P Battle; D: M Partridge, J Phillips, E Gevert; PP: M Miles; O: R Greer. Sunday School. Food Hamper/Christmas Appeal Sunday. Morning Tea.

Hands & Hearts Fair Trade Downunder

Southside's annual event on Sunday, 1 December from 11am. Come along and enjoy hearing new stories from our host Ros Jamieson, as she shares the back ground of the artisans whose products we are privileged to buy. Christmas shopping made easy! Put your money to good use supporting people in third world countries our of poverty. Catered event, \$8/head, please RSVP by 27 Nov. Jeannine Lewis 0423 365 278.