

Diary Dates

Sun, 29	9am Tamworth City Sunday Worship Service with Rev Will Pearson. Morning Tea.		10am-1pm Pres Bkeep 6pm Meditation Service 6-9:30pm New Vogue JH
	11:30am Korean Reborn Church & Lunch	Thu, 3	9:30am Stepping Stones DH 9:30am Yoga in St AR 4:30pm Church Music
	2:30pm Tamworth Choral Society Promenade Concert at Carinay PAC	Fri, 4	8:30am Social Craft in DH 10am Craft Group in St AR 12noon Lunch in St AR
Mon, 30	9am-3:30pm A Dash of Green Workshops DH		6pm Bec's Emmaus Reunion Group in St AR
	10am-4pm Op Shop M-F	Sat, 5	9am-12noon Op Shop 10am Southside/Galston Choir rehearsal
	10am-2pm UNITING St AR		6:30pm Dinner & Concert at Southside with Choirs
	6pm Half a Million Steps at Forum 6	Sun, 6	9am Tamworth City Sunday Worship & Holy Communion Service with Peter Battle. Food Hamper Sunday. Morning Tea.
Tue, 1	9am-2pm T-F Church Office		11:30am Korean Reborn Church & Lunch
	9:30am Adult Fellowship		
	9:30am LLine Dancers JH		
	10:30am KYB Prayer for Rain at Baptist Church		
	4:30pm City Property St AR		
	7pm Friends of Nioka St AR		
Wed, 2	9am Op Shop Sorting—Vest		
	9am-3:30pm A Dash of Green Workshops DH		

Preaching Plan

Sunday, 6 October—Pentecost 17

Don't forget Daylight Savings—Did you put your clock forward?

9am	Tamworth City Service—Peter Battle; E: W Standen, J Carthew, A Ashworth, M Hobson; D: M Partridge, S Perkins, J Phillips; PP: M Miles, O: R Greer.
9:30	Tamworth Southside Service .
11am	West Tamworth—Sue Budden. Lunch afterwards.
5:30pm	Tamworth Southside Service.



29 September 2019

Welcome to Tamworth City Uniting Church

We welcome all those worshipping with us today. Rev Will Pearson will be leading our service. A Please stay for a chat and morning tea.



Increase our faith

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Sacredise—Compassion

Thought for the Week

The Bible has a lot to say about money and how we use it. Our bank statements and budgets are important spiritual documents that reveal a lot about our priorities and our level of commitment to the principles of God's Reign. This week the readings challenge us to recognise that the material blessings we enjoy are not just given to us, but are given through us to share with others. As we grow in obedience to the values and mission of God's Reign, we inevitably find ourselves becoming increasingly compassionate and generous, and we discover that whatever measure of wealth we possess can make a significant contribution to building God's Dream among us.

It's important to realise that our use of money is rooted in our attitude toward it. When we work to develop the Christ-like attitudes of humility, contentment, simplicity and love, we will automatically see our money not as an end in itself, or a source of security and happiness, but as a means to the end of building community, of seeking to spread blessing and sufficiency as widely as possible, and of manifesting the life of Jesus in our world.

This week we explore our attitudes toward, and our use of, money.

Reading

Luke 16:19-31

Reflection

The parable we read today is not about what happens after we die, and to apply this story to that question is to miss the point entirely. Jesus was addressing how we live in this life and, in particular, how we use our wealth and treat others. There are two surprising features of this story that drive the point home. The first is that, in a world where it is usually the rich and famous whose names are known, Jesus names the poor beggar and leaves the wealthy man nameless. This is an indication of where God's primary concern lies. The second point to note is how, even in death, the rich man's attitude remained

Southside Scene



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

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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Sun, 29 Sept—11am Peel Valley Church on a Bus & BBQ at Hallsville.

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

Fri, 4 Oct—5:30pm Hallsville Friday Family Church - Sue Budden.

Sun, 6 Oct—11am West Tamworth Service Sue Budden. Lunch to follow.

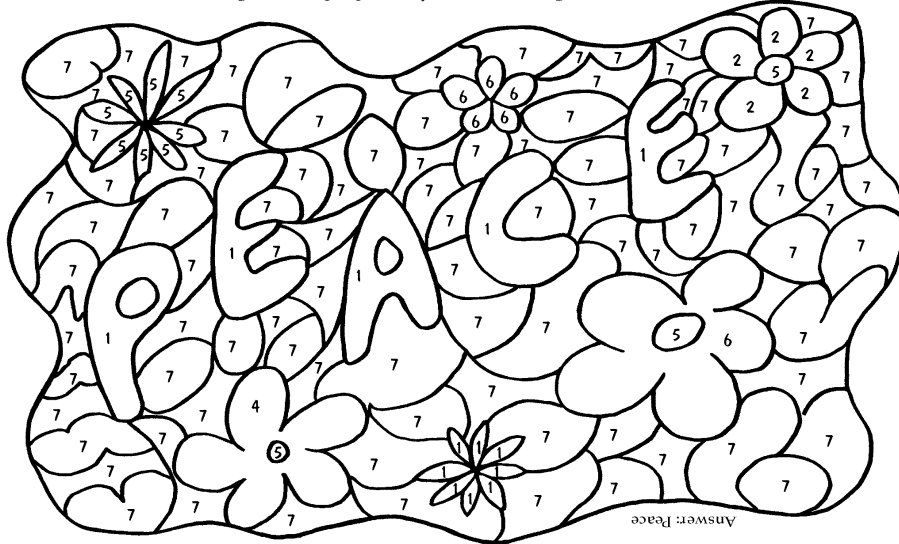
Sun, 13 Oct—8:30am Gowrie Service & 11am West

Tamworth with Meg Mangan.



What word do you find here?

Color 1 = red, 2 = blue, 3 = green, 4 = purple, 5 = yellow, 6 = orange, 7 = violet.



Keeping Peace

Put a star by the statements that will help keep peace.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Make sure that everyone sees your side of an argument and that you get your way. | <input type="checkbox"/> 9. Find ways to work things out if there is a disagreement. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Forgive someone who has made you angry. | <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Tell bad things about other people to your friends. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Take the toy that you want to play with. Fight for it if you have to. | <input type="checkbox"/> 11. Try very hard to get along with your brothers and sisters. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. If someone comes to play, offer them a toy. | <input type="checkbox"/> 12. If someone gets hurt and cries, make fun of them. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Use kind words instead of angry words. | <input type="checkbox"/> 13. If someone gets hurt, run and get help and try to comfort them. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Shout and scream at people if you don't agree with them. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Be a bully. Push and shove people around, especially younger children. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Don't repeat bad things you hear about people. | |

Now cross out the statements that do not have stars.

Answers:
Stars 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 13
Cross out 1, 3, 6, 7, 10, 12

Lectionary Readings

Sun 29	Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16*	Fri 4	Luke 17:1-4
Mon 30	Lamentations 1:1-6*	Sat 5	Luke 17:5-10*
Tue 1	Lamentations 3:19-26	Sun 6	Psalm 137*
Wed 2	2 Timothy 1:1-14*	* Denotes Sunday lectionary readings	
Thu 3	2 Timothy 1:15-2:7		

unchanged. He still expected Lazarus to serve him by bringing him water, and for his family to receive special treatment by having someone return from the dead to speak to them. The sense of entitlement, self-importance, and selfcentredness that is often a by-product of wealth is clearly demonstrated here.

Notice that the parable does not blame the rich man for his wealth as such. The blame lies in that he denied Lazarus even the scraps from his table. The excess that he would not use and did not care about was kept from someone whose life would have been changed by it. This lack of compassion and kindness is shocking.

No matter how much or how little we may possess, we have no excuse for withholding compassion from another person. How can you grow in your capacity for compassion today?

Practice for Today

Compassion is about awareness. When we refuse to even notice those who struggle around us, our hearts are unable to respond with generosity and kindness. But, when we make the effort to notice the needs of others, we are automatically drawn to feel their pain with them. Today seek to be aware of others and to show compassion at every opportunity.

Breath-Prayer for Today

As you have noticed my need and shown me compassion, O God, teach me to show compassion to others.



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Today's Information

Worship on Sunday, 29 September

9am Worship service with Rev Will Pearson. Morning Tea.

Korean Reborn Church

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

Tamworth Choral Society—Let's Promenade!

You are invited to join in the fun on Sunday, 29 September from 2:30pm at the Carinya Performing Arts Centre. Do you like to stroll upon the prom, prom, prom? We would also like to celebrate Sir Henry Wood, the founding conductor of the British Proms, who has born 150 years ago. Guest artists: Tamworth Regional Conservatorium Youth Orchestra. \$15/head.

Frontier Services

Thank you everyone for your support of our Frontier Services Sunday, last week. It was great to have Rev Will Pearson and Rev Phill Matthews here with us on this special occasion. We raised \$442.30.

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 from Rev Will, please let him know (0431 150 253) or contact the office.

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 during this long period of drought. We have moved into our new premises at 1/19 Wallamore Road, Taminda. Open Mondays and Wednesdays.

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).

Fiesta la Peel

Discover a melting pot of cultures from over 40 countries. Food, craft, entertainment and more! Saturday, 19 October from 4pm in the Fitzroy Plaza, Kable Avenue and Bicentennial Park. Free entry! Food and trade stalls. Free taste plates from around the world. Street and stage entertainment. Kids activities. All welcome to our Multicultural Street Festival.

Worship on Sunday, 20 October

9am Worship service with Rev Will Pearson. Elder: B McLean; D: R & M Duns, S Hardin; PP: J Carthew; O: R Cathcart. Sunday School. Mission Envelopes. Morning Tea.

11am West Tamworth—Rev Will Pearson.

Diary Dates to Note

- 22nd 8am Meals on Wheels Kitchen Roster
- 23rd 7:30pm Pastoral Partners
- 26th Retreat Knowing Yourself, Knowing God

Prayers

Prayer Focus—Tamworth City

Today we focus on encouraging your individual commitment to prayer and service.

Ecumenical Prayer Calendar

Keep the people of Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia in your prayers this week.

Prayer Diary—Tamworth Churches

We keep the activities of the Uniting Churches (Tamworth City, Tamworth Southside and Peel Valley), Hope of Glory Church, Carinya Christian School, Moonbi/Kootingal Anglican Church, the Baptist Church, C3 Church, School Scripture and Oxley Vale Anglican Church in our prayers.

Presbytery Prayer Points

We continue to pray for life-sustaining rain to fall across our Presbytery as the drought continues.

New Vogue Dance

Friday, 11 October in the Jubilee Hall from 6pm.

KOWNE—Kairos Training Weekend

8am-8pm in the Jubilee Hall on 12 and 13 October.

Worship on Sunday, 13 October

9am Worship service with Mr Barry Gillett. Elder: J Archbold; D: M Cupitt, E Fairall, F Kerr; PP: J Phillips; O: R Richardson. Morning Tea.

Kairos Outside Sewing Group

Kairos Outside Sewing Group will be meeting in the Jubilee Hall on Monday mornings from 9:30am-3pm each week during school terms. In recess until 14 October.

Association of Independent Retirees

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Tuesday, 15 October from 9am.

Senior's Getting Together

Monthly get together on Tuesday, 15 October at 2pm in the UNITING St Andrew's Village Community Hall.

Emmaus Board Meeting

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Thursday, 17 October from 6pm.

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, 18 October.

Uniting Pulse Group

Visiting from Sydney on Friday, 18 October. Meeting with NENW Presbytery folk involved in ministry with children for lunch at 12:30pm, venue TBA.

New Vogue Dance

Friday, 18 October from 6pm in Jubilee Hall.

A Dash of Green Workshops

Monday and Wednesday this week in Dunn Hall 9am-3:30pm.

UNITING Support Group

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

Half A Million Steps—UC Documentary—FREE Tickets if you Register

30 September—6pm. We would like to invite you to attend a free screening of the new documentary Half a Million Steps. In October 2018, as part of the Fair Treatment campaign, 100 supporters walked the 500,000 steps from Dubbo to deliver a message to NSW Parliament in Sydney—highlighting how far a person in regional NSW may have to travel to reach the drug treatment they need. The 'Long Walk to Treatment' has now been made into a powerful and moving documentary telling the personal stories behind a movement to reform drug laws and policy and make fair treatment available to all. This is an issue of huge concern to our community. Watch this film and see what 60 organisations—including health, medical, police and leg experts, and the people personally affected and their families—are saying about how we can save lives and give people a better chance to turn their lives around. Tickets free, but must be obtained via Eventbrite link <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/half-a-million-steps-tamworth-tickets-72344677879> Further information from Suzie Stevenson 0421 573 054.

Church Office

Open Monday to Friday this week. Closed Tuesday, 8 October. Regular office hours 9am-2pm Tuesday-Friday. *Nicolette*.

Tamworth City Adult Fellowship

Our next get together will be on Tuesday, 1 October from 9:30am for morning tea in the St Andrew's Room. Meeting to follow.

Locomotive Line Dancing

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

KYB Prayers for Rain

The Know Your Bible Group are having a "Praying for Rain" morning at the Baptist Church on Tuesday, 1st October from 10:30am. All ladies are invited to join in.

Tamworth City Property Committee

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Tuesday, 1 October at 4:30pm.

Friends of Nioka

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Tuesday, 1 October at 7pm.

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.

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. During School terms.

Yoga Group

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

Social Craft Group

Meeting in the Dunn Hall on Friday mornings from 8:30-11am.

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, 4 October.

Lunch & Chatter

Our monthly Lunch & Chatter will be on Friday, 4 October from 12noon in the St Andrew's Room. Gold coin donation.

Bec's Emmaus Reunion Group

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Friday, 4 October at 6pm.

Galston & Southside Choir

Join the choir for a rehearsal on Saturday, 5 October 10am-12noon. Dinner and Concert in the evening at Southside from 6:30pm. Contact Vic Hatfield if you'd like to join in on 6765 7050.

Next Week & Beyond

Daylight Savings

Don't forget, we lose an hour at 2am on Sunday, 6 October. If you forget to change your clock, you can join us for morning tea.

Worship on Sunday, 6 October

9am Worship service and Holy Communion with Mr Peter Battle. Elder: W Standen, J Carthew, A Ashworth, M Hobson; D: M Partridge, S Perkins, J Phillips; PP: J Carthew; O: R Greer. Food Hamper Sunday. Morning Tea.

Public Holiday

Monday, 7 October—Labour Day.

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, 8 October.

Tamworth City Church Council

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Tuesday, 8 October at 7pm.

Sleep Effect

Meeting in the Dunn Hall on Wednesday, 9 October at 9am.

Compassionate Friends

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Wednesday, 9 October at 10am.

Nursing Home Service at Cottage Homes

Service at Cottage Homes, Kitchener Street on Thursday, 10 October at 9:30am.

Senior' Communion

Monthly Senior's Communion at the St Andrew's Village on Friday, 11 October from 10am in the Community Hall.