

Diary Dates

Sun, 10 9am Worship Service with Rev Chris Wright. Sunday School. Morning Tea.

11:30am Korean Reborn Church service & lunch
12noon Congregational Spring Lunch at Dragon Palace South Tamworth Bowling Club

Mon, 11 4-5am Wheely Bean— Jubilee Kitchen Mon-Fri 9:30am-3pm Kairos Outside Sewing Group in Jubilee H 10am-4pm Opportunity Shop Mondays-Fridays 10am KYB in StARoom 1:30pm KYB at 26 Upper St 4pm Weight Watchers DH 5:30pm New V. Dance JH

Tue, 12 9am-2pm Church Office Tuesday-Friday 10am Pres. Bookkeeper 5pm Weight Watchers DH

Wed, 13 9am Op Shop Working Bee 10am Compassionate

Friends in St Andrew's Room
6pm New Vogue Dance JH

Thu, 14 9:30am Yoga in Dunn Hall 4pm Church Music Team 6:30pm St Peter's Dinner at Calrossy Auditorium

Fri, 15 8:30am Weight W. DH 10am Craft Group in the St Andrew's Room

Sat, 16 8am Weight Watchers DH 9am-12noon Op Shop 9am AngliCare Listening 11:30am Hallsville F'ship 70th Anniversary

Sun, 17 9am Worship Service with Rev Chris Wright. Sunday School. Retiring Offering to Frontier Services. Sausage Sizzle & Morning Tea.

11am West Tamworth
11:30am Korean Reborn Church service & lunch



Preaching Plan

Sunday, 17 September 2017

8:30am Gowrie—TBA
9am Tamworth City—Rev Chris Wright—E:M Hobson—D: N & J Dezius, J Phillips—AV: J Carthew, O: R Cathcart.
9:30am Tamworth Southside—Rob Wood HC
11am West Tamworth—TBA
5pm Tamworth Southside—Rob Wood HC



Sunday, 10 September 2017



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.

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Other Useful Local

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Sacredise Daily Worship

Thought for the Week

For God's Reign to become a reality in our world, we must heal the brokenness, violence, injustice, and division that oppose it. The problem is when we begin by identifying evil only outside of us. Then we inevitably ignore the evil within us, and become self-righteous, judgemental and even aggressive as we oppose "the others" in whom we see all that is wrong with the world. This happens both on a global and an inter-personal scale.

But, until we have faced and healed the brokenness and violence within our own hearts, we are unable to be agents of healing to the world. Rather, we find ourselves in the contradictory position of believing we can bring peace through war, unity through judgement, and justice through coercion or domination. It is only when we allow the alternative way of Jesus to change us within, that we can offer a different way of being to those around us. But, once we have done the work of receiving deliverance from our own sin, we become those who radiate the grace and love of God, and we are able to bring liberation to others just by being the Christ-followers we are called to be.

This week our meditations lead us to confront and heal the evil in our own hearts.

Reading

Matthew 18:15-20 Reproving Another Who Sins

¹⁵ "If another member of the church^[a] sins against you,^[b] go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one.^[c] ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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

Sun, 10 Sept—9am Hallsville HC
Service and 11am West Tamworth
Service with TBA.

Fri, 15 Sept—5:30pm Hallsville Friday
Family Church with TBA.

Sun, 17 Sept—8:30am Gowrie HC
Service and 11am West Tamworth
Service with TBA. Lunch to follow.

Tue, 19 Sept—10am Memory Lane
Morning Tea at West Tamworth
Church. Join us for a cuppa, meet
new friends, singalong, activities, &
more. 1st & 3rd Tuesdays monthly.

Fri, 22 Sept—5:30pm Hallsville Friday

Family Church with TBA.

GOWRIE, HALLSVILLE & WEST TAMWORTH CONGREGATIONS

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

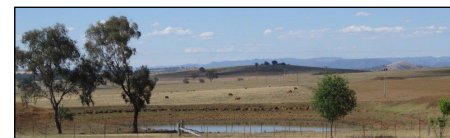
Mission "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve"

Pastoral Care: Meg Mangan 0466 337 005

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Preaching: Ross Davidson 6760 8369

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



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.

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.

Venture Christian Bookshop– Quirindi

108 George Street, Quirindi 6746 1065. Serving Christ in the community since 1985. Cards for every occasion, bibles, music CD's, DVD's, adult and children's books, giftware also available. They are happy to order in special requirements. Email: vcbquirindi@bigpond.com

Sunday Trading Table

Our bring-and-buy table is selling anything from handiwork to cooking, produce to jams. Stop and buy something this week and donate something another week. After church with the morning tea in the St Andrew's Room.

Screening Mammogram

Breast Screen NSW Hunter New England offers all women aged 50-90yrs a free Screening Mammogram for the early detection of breast cancer. Call 132050.

Food Hamper Sunday

Food Hamper Sunday is the 1st Sunday of the month. Bring along something to the office anytime. A shopping list might look like this: 2x1lt UHT milk, 500g sugar, 25 tea bag box, 50g coffee, 100gm tuna/sardines, 2xcuppa coup, 2xrice/pasta pack, 250g biscuits, tin baked beans/spaghetti (ring pull), tin steak & veg (or similar), 2minute noodles, small tinned fruit, small cereal. Thank you everyone.



Lectionary Readings

Sun	10	Psalm 149*	Fri	15	Romans 15:7-13
Mon	11	Exodus 14:19-31*	Sat	16	Matthew 18:21-35*
Tue	12	Romans 14:1-12*	Sun	17	Psalm 114*
Wed	13	Romans 14:13-23			* Denotes Sunday lectionary readings)
Thu	14	Romans 15:1-6			

Reflection

Jesus was not naive about human nature. He knew that conflict would arise among his followers, and that it would threaten to destroy the new community he was building. So, right from the start he gave directions about how to handle disagreements. The first step is to address our differences privately. Unfortunately too many of us, instead of talking it through with those who have hurt us, choose to assassinate their character to other people, and leave the issue unresolved. Even when personal interaction fails to fix our problems, we are to take a couple of objective witnesses to try and help us to resolve the dispute. Only if this doesn't work can we then involve the wider community in a formal process that seeks healing. The reason for involving objective observers is that they will show us not only what is wrong with the other person, but what is broken in our own hearts. This truth-telling is what ultimately helps us to forgive and reconcile.

Notice that when everything fails Jesus instructs us to treat our antagonists like "pagans" and tax-collectors. But remember how Jesus treated people like that - he loved them, welcomed them, and served them. So, even when conflicts remain, we are called to love and serve our antagonists! But, when we do manage to resolve our disputes and find unity, we experience a special sense of God's presence and a deeper power in prayer. This should be sufficient reason for us to work to make peace with one another.

With whom are you in conflict today? How can you acknowledge your part in the dispute and follow Jesus' process for reconciliation?

Practice for Today

The reason we are taught to confess our sins in worship is so that we learn to confess our sins to one another. When we have wronged each other, the ability to admit it and apologise is the only thing that can bring healing. Today, whenever you hurt another person, however unintentionally, be quick to apologise and seek healing.

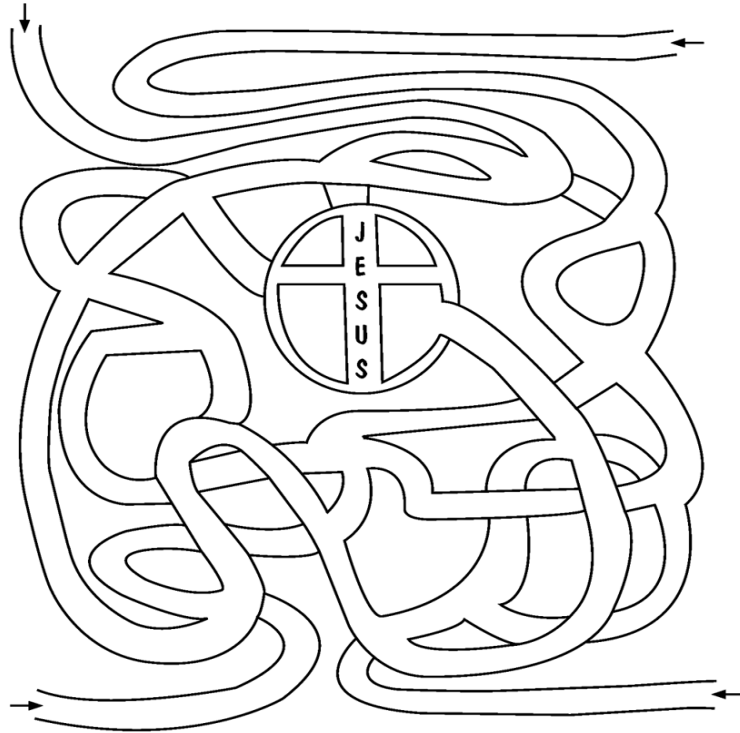
Breath-Prayer for Today

In my disputes with others, O God, teach me to be quick to apologise and quick to forgive.

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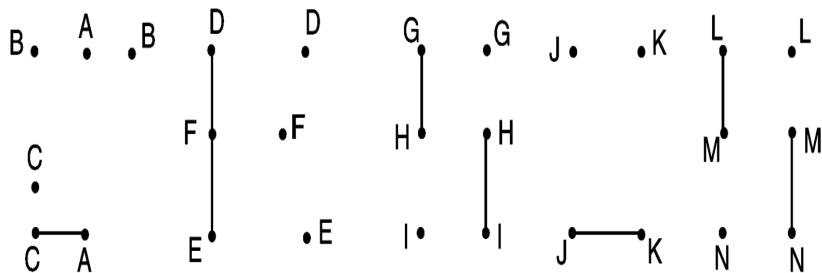
Jesus Is the Way

Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (John 14:6). Find the path that leads to Jesus.



Hidden Word

Draw a line between the letters that are the same to reveal a hidden word.



Presbytery Prayer Points

Keep in your prayers the those who travelling around our Presbytery this week, supporting congregations with preaching and visiting.

Scripture in Schools

Keep in your prayers the Tamworth Secondary Christian Education Teachers from around our High Schools (Andrew Wilcher & Ross Fotheringham—Farrer volunteers, Belinda Gonsalves—Oxley 3 days, Alison Holder—Peel/Manilla 2 days, and Dave Tankard—Tamworth 2 days).

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.

Maintenance Items

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.

Wheelchair/Walker

There is a wheelchair and a walker available in the Vestry to assist in transporting those who require one to and from the church carpark. Please return to the Vestry.

Sunday Trading Table

Our bring-and-buy table is selling anything from handiwork to cooking, produce to jams. Stop and buy something this week and donate something another week. After church with the morning tea in the St Andrew's Room.

Stamp Collecting News

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 and sorting.

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.

Meals on Wheels Kitchen Roster

Our next rostered day will be Tuesday, 26 September from 8am.

SYNOD Meeting

Rev Chris will be attending this year's SYNOD Meeting including the Installation of Rev Simon Hansford as Moderator from Friday, 29 September until Tuesday, 3 October. Keep the meeting in your prayers as they make deliberations, also those attending and for their safe travel.

Worship on Sunday, 1 October 2017

Worship service and Holy Communion with Rev Bill Fischer. Food Hamper Sunday. Morning Tea in the St Andrew's Room.

Looking Ahead Dates to keep in mind

- 2nd Labour Day Public Holiday
- 3rd-6th Church Office Closed—Nicolette Away
- 14th Oct Fiesta la Peel—multicultural festival in Peel Street
- 15th Oct The Brilliance of Brass at Capitol Theatre

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 the Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kosovo, Montenegro and Serbia in your prayers this week.

Prayer Diary—Tamworth Churches

This week we pray for the leaders and activities of the Community Presbyterian Church, Life Church, Hospital Chaplain, St Paul's Anglican Church, Harvest Church, Liberty Church and Calrossy School.

Today's Information

Worship on Sunday, 10 September 2017

Worship service with Rev Chris Wright. Sunday School. Morning Tea in the St Andrew's Room.

Korean Reborn Church

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

Congregational Spring Lunch

Please join us at the ~~Dragon Palace~~ **South Tamworth Bowling Club** for our Spring Lunch following worship TODAY.

Water! Water! NO Water!

Recently there has been a sharp increase in water use! The plumber has been to investigate and found that an old pipe has rusted through. We have capped the line to the Church for the time being. All water needs will need to be accessed from the St Andrew's Room when using the church/vestry.

Trading Table

Thank you everyone for your generosity when using/providing for the trading table. Another \$500 has been forwarded to the church for missions.

This Week's Events

KYB Study Groups

Two groups on Mondays, one at 10am in the St Andrew's Room (Betty keys 6766 6624), one at 1:30pm at 26 Upper Street (Lorraine Turner 6766 6891).

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 Furze (0401 762 463) or Judy Phillips (0418 662 081).



Church Office

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

Op Shop Working Bee

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

Compassionate Friends

Meeting in the St Andrew's Room on Wednesday, 13 September from 10am.

St Peter's Men's Dinner

Hear Henry Olonga, South African Cricketer, at the St Peter's Men's Dinner on Thursday, 14 September from 6:30pm in the Calrossy School Auditorium. Blood, sweat, treason & reason—a fundraiser for Syrian Refugees through Anglican Aid. Cost \$40/head. RSVP to St Peter's on 6765 9304 by 7 Sept.

Craft Group

The Craft Group is held on the first and third Friday each month. Bring along your craft and we'll share in some chit chat, morning tea, and get a bit of craft done too. Contact Lorraine Turner 6766 6891. Next on 15 September.

AngliCare Listening Skills

AngliCare are again offering their Listening Skills Course at the College of Counselling, 34 Denne Street on Saturday, 16 September. Learn how to listen more effectively & thereby improve relationships with others, and skills to enable others to unravel all they need to. AngliCare 6762 0844.

Hallsville United Fellowship Reunion

70yr Reunion of the Hallsville United Fellowship on Saturday, 16 September 2017 at Hallsville Uniting Church 11:30 for 12noon. Bring a plate (finger food/sandwiches/slices, etc). Plus your memories, photos and stories to share! RSVP and enquiries to Shirley & Max Whitten max.shirley@bigpond.com or 6762 4215 or to Pat & Ray Pryor prpryor@bigpond.com or 6760 7339.

Next Week & Beyond

Worship on Sunday, 17 September 2017

Worship service with Rev Chris Wright. Sunday School. Retiring Offering for Frontier Services. End of term Sausage Sizzle & Morning Tea in the St Andrew's Room. 11am West Tamworth—Rev Chris Wright.

Assn Independent Retirees

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

Senior's Getting Together Fellowship

Monthly meeting on Tuesday, 19 September at the St Andrew's Village Community Hall from 2pm. Contact Marie McClelland 6765 7220.

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School Term 3 Ends Friday, 22 September.

AngliCare Skills for the Road Ahead

AngliCare are again offering their Skills for the Road Ahead—A pre-marriage course to give couples skills for relating within marriage—at 34 Denne Street on Saturday, 23 September. Contact AngliCare on 6701 8200.

Worship on Sunday, 24 September 2017

Worship service with Rev Chris Wright. Baptisms. Morning Tea in the St Andrew's Room.

Tamworth Choral Society Concert

The Tamworth Choral Society presents 'Songs to Die For'. An entertaining afternoon for all, combining a mix of the divine, the heavenly, and dare we say, quirky songs! Afternoon tea to follow on Sunday, 24 September from 2:30pm in the Carinya Performing Arts Centre. Adults \$15/Family \$30. Tickets available from choir members or at the door.