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Member of Church Council

I write this as I sit in my favourite spot with my coffee. It's 5am and the world is stirring. This is the time each day I set aside to give thanks to God for all my many blessings and as the sun breaks through the trees I honestly feel Him with me.

I have been part of our beautiful church family since I was 10 years old when my family moved from Melbourne. I still treasure the fact that Tom and Doris Boyd were my Sunday School teachers. I left our church as a teenager and didn't really return until our beautiful girls Anabel and Emily were born – life got in the way I suppose. It was the day that Emily was baptised, my birthday and in fact Glennis Holden's first service that I felt the urge to return. Although this return was sporadic, I felt the pull of needing to know more, and eventually I returned to worship regularly. Teaching Kids Club for 9 years solidified my love of Jesus, but it was singing in the choir where I realised that I love worshipping Him through music and song – and I have never looked back!

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Today we celebrate with *Claire Freeman* the Confirmation of her Baptism and reception into the Uniting Church of Australia.

Claire is also going to be a pilgrim on the next Gold Coast Community's women's Walk to Emmaus, which is being held from 16-19 May.

## Easter

18<sup>th</sup> April: **MAUNDY THURSDAY** 

7pm at EUC

19<sup>th</sup> April: **GOOD FRIDAY** 

8am at EUC

21<sup>st</sup> April: **EASTER SUNDAY** 

Sunrise at Kropp Park, 6am

"The Surprise of Easter"
9am at EUC
A vibrant service of celebration that
Jesus is alive!
A service for all ages.

### **EASTER UNITED**



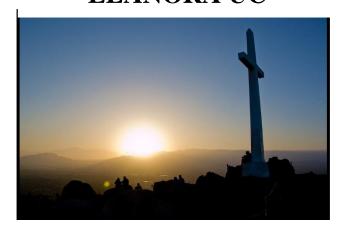
#### **BRING A FRIEND**

Easter Sunday - 21 April 2019

BROADWATER PARKLANDS
(SOUTH END)

www.juice1073.com.au/easterunited/

## EASTER SERVICES ELANORA UC



Food vendors from 4:15pm Worship Celebration from 5pm – 7:30pm

Accessible by
Gold Coast Light Rail
A free event by the combined churches\* of the Gold Coast.

\*Greek Orthodox, Anglican, Lutheran, Roman Catholic, Uniting, Baptist, Hillsong, Pentecostal & Independent



#### CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT DINNER

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm – 9pm
If you would like to reserve a place on the Elanora Uniting Church's table,
please see Jan Drury
5598 8005

More information on our noticeboard.



#### 40 Items for 40 Days Challenge

Items brought in will be delivered to two agencies – UnitingCare (Blair Athol) (see list below) and the Op Shop at Mudgeeraba Uniting Church (who will take the remainder).

Drop-off point: **Robinson Hall**Easter Sunday, 9am – 11am <u>or</u>
Easter Monday, 9am – 11am

Items in good condition only please.

Are you able to bring your trailer/small truck/ute to help to take goods to Mudgeeraba and/or Blair Athol on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April? People to help sort goods are also required on Sunday & Monday. Please leave your name with Rev Catherine.



- (1) Items needed by Blair Athol: cups/mugs, glasses, cutlery, towels, books/magazines, toiletry items, toys, pencils/pens/crayons.
- (2) Items for Teenagers (UnitingCare): Lego, football table, air hockey table, basketball hoop, basketballs/footballs, swings, totem tennis, ping pong table, boogie boards, surfboards, art/craft items, board games.
- (3) The Op Shop at Mudgeeraba Uniting Church will take any other items brought in. You will be asked to help by separating your items into these three groups when you deliver them to Robinson Hall.



# Planning is well underway for our second **FAMILY FUN DAY – 15th June**

Some aspects of the day incur a cost -donations to help defray these costs would be appreciated. Our wishing well will be out on Sunday & envelopes are available. Please leave your donation in the well, place it in the offering, or in the office. Every \$ will help.

The next EMMAUS GATHERING on Friday May 3 at 7pm at Burleigh Church of Christ will include the commissioning of teams for the May Walks. If you would like a lift, please see Damien or Janine Kinnear. Here is the link to the Emmaus newsletter <a href="http://www.goldcoast.emmaus.org.au/newsletters--chatter">http://www.goldcoast.emmaus.org.au/newsletters--chatter</a>



Could you help in the dining room?



Would you like to address an addiction in a <u>Christ-centred</u> 12 Step program? You are welcome to come to an Information Night on 29th April.

The Recovery Course, developed at Holy Trinity Brompton, covers all addictions – drugs, alcohol, gambling, pornography, sex, overeating, social media, self-harm, etc. Confidentiality assured. Contact Damien Kinnear 0401 313 258. <a href="www.therecoverycourse.com">www.therecoverycourse.com</a>



Could you spare some time to write letters of encouragement to men participating in a Kairos course in May? Just ask Damien for a handout. Also please put your name on the prayer chain for the course. A sign-up sheet will be available in the courtyard.

**BEEN AROUND BEFORE** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 1:30<sup>pm</sup> Parade & Sale, clothes sizes 8-24. Entry \$5 Includes afternoon tea. Mary Flynn or Gloria Bryant

