

Introducing

Liz Mahon, who is currently
secretary of Church Council

I have been very fortunate to be raised in a Christian family. I went to Sunday School and church at Bexhill Uniting in northern NSW and was confirmed when I was 16. Mum and Dad were significantly involved in service there – from Ladies Fellowship and Sunday School Superintendent to mowing the lawns on the church property and open-air cathedral. I left home to attend university in Brisbane, and I guess I turned my back on God – not completely, but at this time other things seemed to be more important to me. I came back to church when I started to have children. I wanted them to be raised knowing of our wonderful God, but upon reflection I believe I was attending on habit – and not very committed to that either.



Fast forward to recent times...once the kids were older, I started wanting to find out more about God and believed that I had the capacity to serve Him by being more involved. This started with learning about the data-side of worship, then being involved with Church Council and Kids Club. I've also found myself more involved in church by "hearing" what God wants for me. I find myself nodding saying "yes" to the message, singing more loudly,

sometimes crying, wanting to learn and understand more.

Our God is an awesome God and I am excited about what God is moving me towards next.

Sunday 10th March – the first Sunday in Lent:

Grace filled world

Reading: John 1

Sunday 17th March – the second Sunday in Lent:

Grace embodied

Reading: Matt 7:24-27

**New
Sermon
Series
in Lent**

40 items for 40 days Challenge



If you haven't received an empty brown paper bag yet, make sure you take one home today. You are invited to find one unused or no longer-needed-item in good condition in your home – every day – and place it in your bag. As you put it there, pray giving thanks for the item and then pray for the person who will receive this item (even if you don't know them). The intention is that we are mindful of the needs around us where we can share what we have with others. More information will be provided during our worship services each week.

Home Group Study

Are you joining one of our home groups this Lent? They start this week. Contact Rhonda Coleman if you would like to join a group. 0478 630 826

The sermon series starting this Sunday will be based on this study.

If you would like to look at the study at home, please follow this link:



<https://ucaqld.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/agentOfGrace.pdf>



Lent Event

You can sign up today for Uniting World's Lent Event at www.lentevent.com.

This year features the people of Timor Leste.



Our CONGREGATION MEETING (AGM)

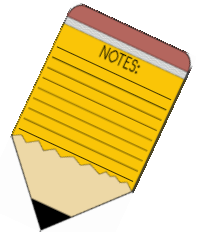
Sunday 24th March, after worship

The Annual Report, which will be available on Sunday 17th March, will be presented at this meeting. The report will be available by email before that date, with paper copies available for those unable to access it electronically.

This Week's Reading

John:1

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Filled
World



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POT LUCK LUNCHEON

After the AGM on Sunday 24th March. There will be a sign-up sheet available on Sunday so that you can let Lorraine know what you are bringing.