

1st December 2024

NEWSLETTER



WORSHIP

Sunday Service 9 am Preacher: Rebekah Munn

Bible Readings Luke 1: 57-80

Facebook, Website & YouTube for online access.

You tube link for Sunday <https://youtube.com/live/42rG1blAEqM?feature=share>

Currumbin Valley Service 5pm

From our Minister

This Sunday is the commencement of the Advent season. Advent is the four weeks leading into Christmas where we intentionally prepare our hearts and minds to welcome Jesus and the celebration we have for his birth. In this time, we are able to reflect on the gift it is that God himself came down into our circumstances and lived with us. We indeed have a saviour who came to be the light of the world, to bring freedom and hope to a world that is hurting and lost.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace, Isaiah 9:6. The promises of God are realised in Jesus. In this time of Advent, let us make room in our hearts and minds for the One Jesus Christ, who was born.

God bless.

Rebekah

Welcome to those who may be visiting with us today. Please join us for morning tea in the hall following the service.

COMING EVENTS

- December 1st **Advent class in the church** begin today at 3pm. Continuing each Sunday until Christmas. Please let Rebekah or Rhonda know if you plan to attend so that sufficient material can be prepared
- December 2nd **Adult Fellowship Christmas Lunch** 11.30am at the RSL. See Mary Flynn to book.
- December 11th **Reminder to Leisuretimmers** that your Christmas break-up party is scheduled for December 11th. It should be a great celebration for the final meeting of the year with guest artist Peter Tanna, Choral items from the RSL Choir and special Christmas fare from the kitchen.
- December 11th **Cooinda** will be closing for the Christmas New Year well-earned break from December 11th. Don't wait to check out their Christmas gift range or to arrange your end of year morning teas with friends.



December 13th

Church office will close for the Christmas break and is scheduled to reopen on Monday January 20th. During that time, the emails will be dealt with by staff from home. Snail mail and phone messages will also be checked regularly. Rebekah will be available for pastoral matters and all other matters relating to church maintenance and hall hire to be directed to Dianne Malimonenko on 0400 351 281.

In your private prayer times this week at home, please pray for Betty Fysh, Helen & Jim Gallagher, Pam Ganderton, Gail & David Gilbert and Cath Gould.

Please also continue to pray for the JNC and for the person God has chosen as our new minister that he or she will hear and respond to His call.



CHURCH SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK

Sunday 15th Our worship service at 9am will be a **Carol Service**.

Sunday 22nd Worship service at 9am.

Sunday 22nd 4pm **Blue Service** which will be a quiet reflective time for everyone, particularly for those who will be missing loved ones this Christmas.

Tuesday 24th – Christmas eve Carols at Currumbin Valley State School, 5pm

Christmas Day Service 8am

Could you fill one of these vital areas of service?

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS VACANT

1. People to train for sound and/or data operation.
2. Two or three people to assist in the office on either a regular or an occasional basis.
3. Able bodied people to help with garden maintenance including mowing.

If you need more details of what's involved, please call Dianne on 0400 351 281 to direct you to the relevant team.

We are called to be good stewards of all the resources God has given us. Our time, our energy, our possessions. Financially, our offerings are used to both maintain our property, a full-time minister, and to fulfil our legal and financial responsibilities, as well as maintaining support for chaplaincy in schools, and our obligation to contribute our share to Synod Mission Support and the redress scheme. If you would like more details, speak to our Treasurer Debra Freeman.

Offerings may be made via the offering box or square EFPOS at the back of the church or by direct debit to either of the following:

UCA Southern Gold Coast

BSB: 334-040

Sunday offerings:

A/C 553 861 206

General Working Account

A/C 553 861 193

Or cash in the box or

EFTPOS as you leave.

Dwell Hub

BSB 034 604

Taxable A/C 426 972

Donation A/C 426 980

