

PIONEER VALLEY UNITING CHURCHES

Mission Statement: *Sharing Christ throughout the Pioneer Valley and in Worship Services at Walkerston, Mirani, Eungella*



14th April, 2024

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If you wish to contribute, please place your contribution into an envelope marked "MISSION". Thank you.

Selected reading and Theme: Luke 24:36b–48

'You are witnesses of these things.'

Discipleship Thought: One theme of our text for this week is how one distinguishes between reality and fiction, truth and lies. For the disciples of Jesus, this was a life and death question. They had staked their lives on the truth of who Jesus was and the message he preached. Now he was dead, thanks to lies and trumped-up charges. How were they to determine who or what stood before them now? What is true and what is lies is a crucial question in our time when counterfeit realities surround us. Jesus's antidote to lies and unreality is touching and seeing. What does this mean in practice for us as communities of faith? How do we touch and see to determine truth? And how do we do this together and not just as individuals?

Prayer: God of love, we thank you for the words of scripture that tell us:

'See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God.'

We thank you that nothing that we do can change this fundamental, creational truth.

We thank you that from the beginning of everything you made us in your image.

We thank you that at the moment of creation,
you breathed your breath into us and made us live.

We thank you that all creation is filled with your light and love.

We thank you that this day – this moment is a moment of grace.

We give you thanks and praise. Amen.

Words for Worship CCLi 386034



Each week during Worship we pray for families from our congregations.

This week we **pray for**....Colleen & Barry, Rev Jim & Judith, Morelle & Dave, Kevin & Marion and Margaret D.

....**those who are unwell, awaiting diagnosis, surgery, treatment and test results.** Pray for Rick's, Dianne's, Lyn's, Ian's, Thelma's, Rev Wayne and Peter McL's health. May they know God's hand is upon them in their time of need.

....the **McLean Family** as they support Peter during his health issues.

....newly engaged **Jason Cappello & Erin Edgar.** Jason is Frosty & Heathers' grandson and Susan & Tubs' older son.

....all who are displaced.

....teachers and students.

....all who are travelling. Pray that they make wise decisions at all times.

....the Congregations of our local Uniting Churches - **St Paul's, Armitage, Calen, Iona West, Northside Worship Centre, Proserpine and Sarina.**

....**Ian and Lynns' Missionary Work.**

....**the work the School Chaplains in the Mackay and District Schools.** St Andrew's Congregation will be receiving a visit from Chappy Rex and Chappy Judy on the First Sunday in May.

....**Scripture Union Queensland, Bible Society, Frontier Services and Street Chaplaincy.**

....**for the soldiers at war, aid workers, their families, and all who are affected by devastation of war.**

Give thanks**for Queensland Moderator – Rev Bruce Moore and CQ Presbytery Minister – Rev Scott Ballment** who is on holidays until early May. Pray for a restful break away and safe travel for Scott and his family.

....**for retired Ministers, Pastors and Lay Preachers** who willingly give of their time to conduct Worship Services.

....**for School Chaplains** and the work they do throughout the Pioneer Valley.

....**for the missionaries** all over the world.

....**for the volunteers** who give of their time and energy to work with the people in need.

....**for our families and friends** and for the **freedom** we take for granted in our Country.

....**for the many blessings** we receive in our daily lives.

....**for the joy children and grandchildren** bring to our families.

A Quick Prayer: I know there are many things I cannot control, no matter how hard I may try, and many of life's events break my heart. Still I have hope, because through it all I have You. Thank You, Lord, for hope. Amen



Congratulations
Jason Cappello & Erin Edgar
on their engagement



Rick Thomson (16th): Kyle Noy (17th)

Alun Tunnah (17th)



Aadesh Fernando (17th)

What's Happening Locally!?



WELCOME TO THE
Joy Chimes Choir

**AT THE VALLEY UCA THIS MORNING
THE CHOIR MEMBERS WILL BE LEADING WORSHIP**

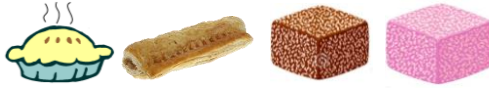
Cynthia & Brian Delaney formed the Joy Chimes Choir in Mackay in 2002 following a Women's Ministry Conference attended by 2 of the founding members of the group. The group first began playing Belleplates and eventually graduated to the Hand Chimes in 2004.

The **J.O.Y** stands for '**Jesus First, Others Second and Yourself Last**'.

The JOY Chimers are always eager to share the Good News about Jesus through music.



Iona West's UCA Trivia Night will be held on Saturday 27th April, 7:15 pm for a 7:30 pm start. Five people to a team. \$12 per person. Come along for a fun night.



IONA WEST'S PIE, SAUSAGE, LAMINGTON AND PEACH SQUARE DRIVE

There is an order form at the front of St Andrew's Church if anyone is interested in purchasing any of the above OR you can phone Andrea Nicholson (Mob: 0487 100 268) to place your order. Orders are to be in by Wednesday, 24th April. The delivery/collection date is Thursday, 9th May, from the Iona West Hall.



Please note that the next **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING** is **next Sunday, 21st April, 2024** in **St Andrew's Church/Hall** from **11.45am!**

Mottos for Success: If you can focus on even one good quality in a person that is hard for you to work with, you are on the road to discovering their true potential.

A Little Humour: This one is a bit long but I needed something to fill in the gap!!



A preacher whose members consisted mostly of rural farmers decided to preach a sermon he was sure that everyone would understand. Here are the notes:

A Garden Blessed by God

Plant three rows of peas:

1. "Peas" of the heart
2. "Peas" of soul
3. "Peas" of mind

Plant three rows of squash:

1. Squash gossip
2. Squash grumbling
3. Squash selfishness

Plant four rows of lettuce:

1. Lettuce love one another
2. Lettuce be charitable
3. Lettuce be faithful
4. Lettuce not be discouraged

Plant three rows of turnips:

1. Turnip for church each week
2. Turnip to serve in a ministry

3. Turnip to help one another

Plant six rows of thyme:

1. Thyme for the Lord
2. Thyme for your family
3. Thyme for prayer
4. Thyme for work
5. Thyme for rest
6. Thyme for play

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Luke 24:36b-48

**Jesus Appears to
His disciples**

Find the 10
differences between
the two drawings.
Circle them as you
find them.



<i>Date</i>	WALKERSTON			MIRANI		
	<i>Preacher</i>	<i>Bible Reader</i>	<i>Prayer</i>	<i>Preacher</i>	<i>Bible Reader</i>	<i>Prayer</i>
14/04	Rick Thomson	Neil	Lyn	Joy Chimes Choir	Joy Chimes Choir	Joy Chimes Choir
21/04	Alun & Lesley	Michelle	Lyn	Noela	Stephanie	Bruce
28/04	Rick Thomson	Colleen	Lyn	Rev Jim Brown	Elsbeth HC	Beth
05/05	Congregation HC?	Kathryn	Lyn	Noela	Thelma	Manda
12/05	Rick Thomson	Gwen	Lyn	Rev Jim Brown	Beth	Manda

Please pray 'The Lord's Prayer' at the end of the Prayer for Others except on Holy Communion

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EUNGELLA

8.00am Every Sunday

St Andrew's UCA

Bold Street

WALKERSTON

10.00am Every Sunday

The Valley UCA

Victoria St

MIRANI

3.00pm

No Services at present

ECDA Hall

EUNGELLA

Electronic Banking Details – UCA Pioneer Valley – ANZ Bank – BSB: 014-010: Account No: 2115 57247

Containers for Change – Parish Registered Number C10195946.
Alternatively, collect the cash and drop it into the offering plate.

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KYB (Know Your Bible) – 1.30pm Every Thursday, The Valley UCA, Victoria & Louise Streets, Mirani.

Lectionary Readings:

14th April - Acts 3:12-19; Psalms 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48

21st April - Acts 4:5-12; Psalms 23; 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

28th April - Acts 8:26-40; Psalms 22:25-31; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

5th May - Acts 10:44-48; Psalms 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17

12th May - Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalms 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19

19th May – Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalms 104:24-34, 35b;

Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

26th May, 2024 - Trinity Sunday - Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalms 29; Romans 8:12-17;
John 3:1-17

10. EYES
9. APRON
8. GOBLET
7. LARGE VASE
6. HEAD SCARF
5. BELT
4. HAT
3. FOOD
2. MOUTH
1. SHELF VASE

PICTURE DIFFERENCES

