

Offerings to Middle Ridge Uniting Church:

Bank Account Details for direct giving:-

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Second Offering - Collection today

Second Offering February will support Orange Sky.

Orange Sky's Toowoomba service supports people across the community experiencing homelessness and hardship through access to clean laundry and genuine, non-judgemental conversation.

Please use reference '2nd Off Orange Sky' if making a direct deposit to the MRUC bank account or to donate direct go to <https://orangesky.org.au/donate/>

Rosters - Being part of the life of the church

	22 February	1 March	8 March
Preaching	Rev David MacGregor	Rev David MacGregor	Rev David MacGregor
Data Preparation	Ross Brown	Alan Skerman	Karen Kong
Data operator	Ross Brown	William Clarke	Louise/Harry Bland
Sound Operator	Matthew Skerman	Matthew Skerman	Lukas Christensen
Camera Operator	Glenn Adamson	Doug Spinks	Glenn Adamson
Elder	Alan Skerman	Linda Adamson	Alan Skerman
Song Leader	Lisa Christensen	Alan Skerman	Lisa Christensen
Music	Jason Pelcher	Greg Bland	Elizabeth Crook
Welcome	Carolyn Skerman	Kay Fritz	Linda Adamson
Morning Tea	Cheryl Gilchrist & Christine Gilshenan	Bill & Brigitte Sheraton	Ali Trappett, Judith Gibbins, Corrie Brown

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Lectionary Readings

Feb 22 2026 Lent 1

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7, Psalm 32

Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11

March 1 2026 Lent 2

Genesis 12:1-4a, Psalm 121,

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17, John 3:1-17 or

Matthew 17: 1-9

March 8 2026 Lent 3

Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 95,

Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42

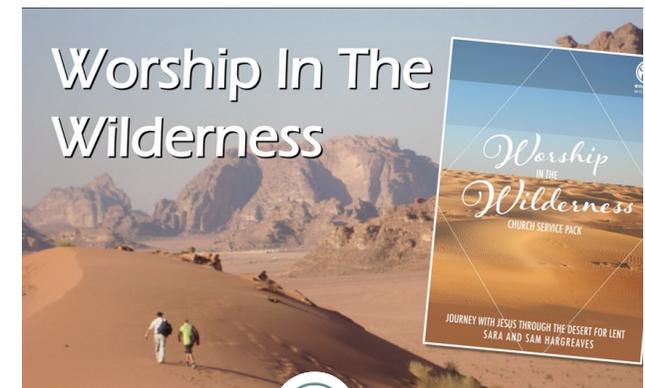


22 February 2026

Middle Ridge News

We rejoice in meaningful relationships with God, ourselves and the community.

Living out our values of Faith, Love, Courage and Gratitude.



Into the Wilderness

Lent is a time of journeying – with Jesus towards Jerusalem and deep within ourselves – to test and strengthen our faith. The wilderness may be a wild desert wasteland or a lush jungle; it may be the depths of the ocean or the ice of the Arctic or Antarctic. We are invited into Lent with a sense of adventure and curiosity as we respond by seeking new insight new insight into God's goodness in this time and place.

Seasons of the Spirit

We venture forward with tentative steps into your wilderness. As we step forward, make our steps curious and bold. Grant us eyes to see new things, and hearts to feel new feelings. May this venturing forward reward us with adventure as we follow Christ. Amen.

Seasons of the Spirit

Worshipping in the wilderness this Lent

“Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.” (1 John 2:6). Part of living as Jesus did must involve us following him into the wilderness, the desert, the dry places – mostly metaphorically and internally; yet sometimes quite physically!

That’s what we at Middle Ridge UC (along with Christians across Toowoomba and worldwide) will do these Lenten days – as Jesus invites us to journey with him through forty days of testing, prayer, reflection and transformation. A wonderful resource from the UK: *Worship in the Wilderness* will help us walk through this Spirit-filled, sacrificial and surprising journey together. We will engage with Jesus, those in the Bible with vivid desert experiences and with each other along the way. I’m confident we will find the journey, while at times challenging, ultimately a fruitful one.

You are in my prayers as individually and as church we journey through this Lenten season

Shalom,

David

Rev David MacGregor

Annual Congregation Meeting 22 March

Please prayerfully consider nominations for Church Council and Elders. Nominations are open now.

Reports for the Annual Report book are due on 2 March.

Church Council Snippets

The required documents have now been sent to Presbytery requesting approval for a full time minister to start as soon as possible after Rev David leaves us at the end of June.

A list of Property Maintenance has been compiled noting urgent items and those to be completed in the future. A working bee to undertake cleaning and other tasks will be arranged shortly. Thank you to those who have already committed to undertake some tasks. A list is available on the noticeboard.

Representatives of Church Council met with members of HwaSung (Korean) Congregation. Various concerns over use were raised together with terms of current lease. Church Council has approved that Rev David Kim be allowed use of the previous “Footcare” room. Other groups will continue to have access to this space for storage of items.

We have offered to host a combined Toowoomba Uniting Church Anniversary service in June.

March Second Offering will support Scripture Union School Chaplaincy

Weekly Activities

Sundays 9.00am	Church Service—all ages included
Tuesday 9.30am	Praying for the life of the Church in Church Foyer All Welcome Ray Kirkman , Kay Fritz
Tuesday 7pm	Tuesday Evening Bible Study (Zoom) Linda Adamson 46370065
Wednesday 9am for 9.30	Wednesday Ladies Bible Study Contact Jo Cox 0409 620 993
Thursdays 7.30pm	Blake’s Discipleship Group (Zoom) Alan Skerman 0437 771 324

Coming Soon—Alpha

Monday evenings 7pm-8:30pm for dessert and discussion commencing April 27th.

Expressions of interest are open now via the website or at <https://forms.gle/vSv1uECUeQEYqHkg7>

Alpha is a safe space to explore life, purpose and the Christian Faith.

Pray that Alpha will change lives.

Pray about who you will invite.



Easter Madness High School Holiday Camp on 10 -13 April at Alexandra Park Conference Centre. See noticeboard.



An annual initiative of UCA Moreton River Presbytery. Registrations for Campers and Leaders now open. For information or to donate <https://eastermadness.com.au/>



World Day of Prayer 2026

This year’s World Day of Prayer service will be held at St Barts church on Thursday 5th March at 6:30pm.