

**Offerings to Middle Ridge Uniting Church:**

Bank Account Details for direct giving:-

Accnt Name: UCA Middle Ridge UC

BSB: 034142 Account No: 144021

Ref: Offering



**Second Offering**

March second offering will support Scripture Union School Chaplaincy.

SU chaplains provide social, emotional and pastoral support for students, families and school staff.

Please use reference "2nd offering SU" if donating via the church bank account.

Or place your 2nd offering in the plate near the door.

**Rosters - Being part of the life of the church**

	16 Mar	23 Mar	30 Mar
Preaching	Rev Bruce Warren	Rev Bruce Warren	Rev Bruce Warren
Data Preparation	Ross Brown	Ross Brown	Bob Burgess
Data operator	Ross Brown	William Clarke	Bob Burgess
Sound Operator	Glenn Adamson	Lukas Christensen	Matthew Skerman
Camera Operator	Nicole / Paul Irwin	Glenn Adamson	Doug Spinks
Elder	Brigitte Sheraton	Paul Fuller	Linda Adamson
Song Leader	Alan Skerman	Wes Jones	Alan Skerman
Music	Greg Bland	Jason Pelcher	Lorraine Fuller
Welcome	Jan & Felix Gorbacz	Bill & Brigitte Sheraton	Gay & Grahame Collyer
Morning Tea	Gay & Grahame Collyer	Cheryl Gilchrist and Kay Fritz	Carolyn Skerman and Kay Fritz

**Congregation Contacts**

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**Lectionary Readings**

**March 16 2025 Lent 2**

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18, Psalm 27, Philippians 3:17 - 4:1, Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a)

**March 23, 2025, Lent 3**

Isaiah 55:1-9, Psalm 63:1-8  
1 Corinthians 10:1-13, Luke 13:1-9

**March 30, 2025, Lent 4**

Joshua 5:9-12, Psalm 32  
2 Corinthians 5:16-21, **Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32**



16 March 2025

**Middle Ridge News**

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

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



**Thorns and Thistles**

Our reflections over the weeks of Lent and moving into Easter, are not just the observance of the liturgical year, it is a real preparation for our reconnection to the price Jesus paid for each of us, to overcome the thorns and thistles of sin that pursue each of us through the testings we all undergo.

Isaiah 58:11 *"The Lord will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail."*

## Annual Congregational Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held during our normal worship service on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

Nominations for Church Council:

Nil

Nominations for Elder:

Alan Skerman 2 years

Brigitte Sheraton 2 years

Annual reports book will be available on Sunday 23rd March.

## World Day of Prayer 2025

**Cook Islands**  
**'I made you wonderful'**



**Friday April 4th**

**10am South Toowoomba Baptist Church**  
279 Geddes St, Centenary Heights

**6.30pm Lifeworks Uniting Church**  
615 Boundary St, Glenvale

Contact for South Toowoomba Baptist Church: Faye Wilson - 0439384430  
leighwilson07@gmail.com

Contact for Lifeworks: Mary Tibben - amtibben@bigpond.com

## Markets for Mission

### Saturday 10th May

For the *Toowoomba Parkinsons Support Group*

The **bric-a-brac stall** is our growth income earner and we are seeking a volunteer who can attend set up working days prior to market proceedings. This would involve placing and pricing goods displayed for sale and distribution of unsold stock.

If anyone wishes to help elsewhere, we are more than happy to accommodate all helpers.

We intend adding a market stall for **garden produce** next event. Hopefully we can attract gardeners to participate and if successful will be ongoing.

The January and February **Second offerings** have allowed us to support the UCA Qld Synod Disaster Relief Appeal with a donation of \$945.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Donations can still be made at [Disaster Relief - Uniting Church Australia](#)

### Alpha at Middle Ridge UC

[www.mruc.com.au/alpha](http://www.mruc.com.au/alpha)

Alpha is now underway, pray for all those taking part, attendees, hosts, helpers and those providing the meals. Pray that it will be a time of respectful conversation and relationship building. Amen



## Weekly Activities

Sundays 9.00am	<b>Church Service—all ages included</b>
Mondays 6pm	<b>Alpha - 3rd Feb - 24 March</b>
Tuesday 9.30am	<b>Praying for the life of the Church</b> in Church Foyer All Welcome Ray Kirkman , Kay Fritz
Tuesday 7pm	<b>Tuesday Evening Bible Study (Zoom)</b> Linda Adamson 46370065
Wednesday 9am for 9.30	<b>Wednesday Ladies Bible Study</b> Contact Jo Cox 0409 620 993
Thursdays 7.30pm	<b>Bloke's Discipleship Group (Zoom)</b> Alan Skerman 0437 771 324

### You are invited to a Choral afternoon

Sunday 23rd March at 2pm

Toowoomba Community Baptist Church,  
100 Glenvale Road, Glenvale

**Fundraiser for Winter Shelter—Entry by donation**

Featuring Choirbolical, VoiceMale and Ultrasound Choirs.



### Easter Madness

Faith, Fun, Friendship. Theme: Beloved High Schoolers and youth leaders camp at Alex Park Conference Centre 11-14 April 2025

Pray that the Uniting Church Qld youth ministries flourish, bear fruit and multiply.

<https://eastermadness.com.au>