



Gladstone Uniting Church

Interface

Third Sunday in Lent

23 March 2025

Welcome

Hello and welcome all to worship this morning. We extend a special welcome to all visitors, especially members of Presbytery of CQ, to our Church today.

May your time of worship be a blessed one.

If you are a visitor, or newcomer, to our Church, please contact us via email gladuca@bigpond.com if you have any queries or we can be of assistance.

*Reconciling God, by your grace
the incarnate Christ entered our
world, became one of us. He
entered our homes as both guest
and host; offering radical
hospitality and challenged our
norms. We worship and adore
you. For self-centeredness, Lord
have mercy.*

*For neglecting the need of
others, Christ have mercy.
For lack of acceptance, Lord
have mercy.
Amen*

For the most up-to-date information on our church please remember
www.gladstoneuniting.org.au

Lectionary Bible Readings

This Week: Lent 3

Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalms 63:1-8

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Luke 13: 1-9



Next Week: Lent 4

Joshua 5: 9-12

Psalms 32

2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32



*Our Vision is for the Gladstone Region to be a
community where everyone experiences the
transforming love of Jesus.*

Disclaimer: This is a fictional story based on actual events, including the impacts of Cyclone Alfred in 2025. Any similarities to actual persons or events are purely coincidental.

Based on Luke 13:1-9 – “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did.”

Winds of Change: From Destruction to Community

The wind howled through the twisted wreckage of what had once been a thriving coastal town. Cyclone Alfred had come through like a freight train, leaving nothing but chaos in its wake—homes flattened, trees uprooted, and roads submerged under sheets of water. The smell of saltwater and debris hung in the air, like a cruel reminder of the storm’s fury.

The sun was barely peeking through the clouds, casting a sickly yellow light over the destruction. But there was no time for pity—people were already hard at work, cleaning up what they could. Among them was Sarah, a young local government officer, whose office had been wiped off the map. She stood at the edge of a makeshift shelter, gazing out over the flooded streets that had once been bustling with life.

“Sarah!” A voice called from behind. She turned to see Tom, one of the emergency responders, trudging through the mud. His clothes were soaked, his face streaked with grime, but his eyes were sharp.

“We’ve got a situation,” he said, wiping his brow. “A shipment of supplies got hijacked. Someone’s selling them on the black market.”

Sarah’s face tightened. “You’re kidding, right? After everything, and they’re ripping people off?”

Tom nodded. “It’s worse than we thought. People are starting to turn on each other. And if we don’t get a handle on it now, things could get ugly.”

“Where are they?” she asked, her voice cold. “We need to shut this down—now.”

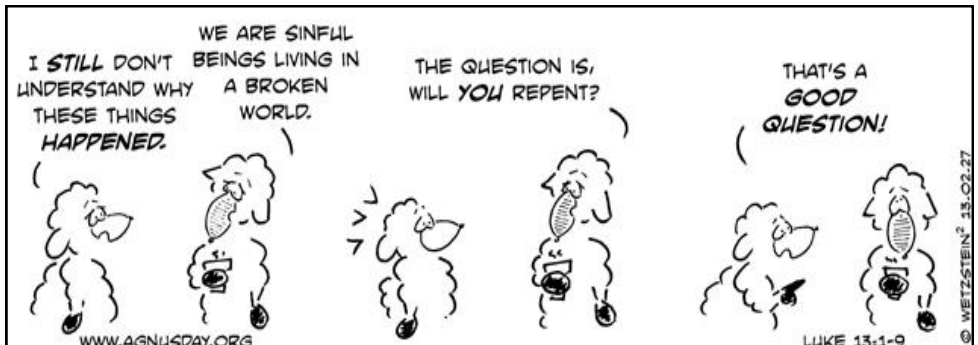
“Down by the main road. But there’s more to it. I’ve heard whispers—some of the higher-ups are diverting funds. The whole response is being compromised.”

[Continue reading the full story here.](#)



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Levon



Next Week's Roster & Church Activities

30 March 2025

Preaching Wayne Davidson
Worship Leader
Notices & Prayer
Vestry Elders
Bible Reader
Song Selector Tony Leong
Back Up Singer
Piano Selena Anderson
Additional Music
Data Projector
Sound System
Church Steward/Valet
Welcome Host
Count Offering
Morning Tea

Monday 24 March 2025

9-11am Little Explorers—In Hall

Tuesday 25 March 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 26 March 2025

Thursday 27 March 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 28 March 2025

Saturday 29 March 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 30 March 2025

7:45am Combined Worship Service
 @ Tannum Sands

Easter Events to Note

Maundy Thursday Dinner 6pm

Good Friday Service 7.30am

Good Friday night Prayer Vigil

Midnight–1am

Please see Gavin with questions

Easter Sunday morning services

6am Sunrise service Canoe Point Tannum Sands
 followed by breakfast.

9am Worship at Gladstone Worship Centre

Please note - NO 7.45am Service at TWC on
 Easter Sunday



Dates to Note

* **New Auckland Place Service**

1 April 1pm

* **Eden Vale Service**

April 15 10am

* **Church Council Meeting**

28 April 7:30pm

High Tea 17 May

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday March 24

Psalm 39
 Jeremiah 11:1-17
 Romans 2:1-11

Tuesday March 25

Psalm 39
 Ezekiel 17:1-10
 Romans 2:12-16

Wed March 26

Psalm 39
 Numbers 13:17-27
 Luke 13:18-21c

Thursday March 27

Psalm 32
 Joshua 4:1-13
 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:5

Friday March 28

Psalm 32
 Joshua 4:14-24
 2 Corinthians 5:6-15

Saturday March 29

Psalm 32
 Exodus 32:7-14
 Luke 15:1-10



is a call
to renew
a commitment
grown dull,
perhaps,
by a life
more marked
by routine than
by reflection.

Only God can turn
a **MESS** into a
message, a **TEST** into a
testimony, a **TRIAL** into
a triumph, a **VICTIM**
into a victory.

Gladstone Worship Centre

Cnr Uniting Place & Dixon Dr

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BSB: 014010 A/C: 192134483

Account Name: UCA Gladstone Congregation

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ALLERGY ALERT

Please be aware when preparing any food for Morning Tea, or possibly bringing snacks for yourself or your children, that the Gladstone Uniting Church is a Nut & Egg Free Church. *Please note that Egg as an ingredient in cakes or biscuits is fine.* Your assistance in this matter is much appreciated.

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