



Gladstone Uniting Church

Interface

Fourth Sunday in Lent

30 March 2025

Welcome

Hello and welcome all to worship this morning. We extend a special welcome to all visitors 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.

God who created me,
You offer me new life through your Son
and through the gift of your sacraments.

While I see new life all around me,
I don't always recognize the new life you
offer me.

Help me to grow this Lent in an awareness
of the gifts you place in my life

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

Lectionary Bible Readings

This Week: Lent 4

Joshua 5: 9-12

Psalms 32

2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32



Next Week: Lent 5

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Psalms 126

Philippians 3: 4b-14

John 12: 1-8



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 inspired by the scripture text from Joshua 5:9-12.

Based on Joshua 5:9-12 – The Israelites eat the produce of the land, and the manna ceases.



The land was unforgiving. It always had been. The low scrub stretched for kilometres, the red dust thick in the air, clinging to skin and clothing. Further west, the mallee trees took over, their twisted forms standing against the sun like weathered sentinels. Somewhere beyond them, water waited—if they could get there.

Harry knew this country. Or at least, he thought he did. Forty years of tracking, guiding, and surviving. He had led mining crews, lost tourists, even scientists who thought they knew better until the land humbled them. And now, he was leading this group of four—young, inexperienced, but determined.

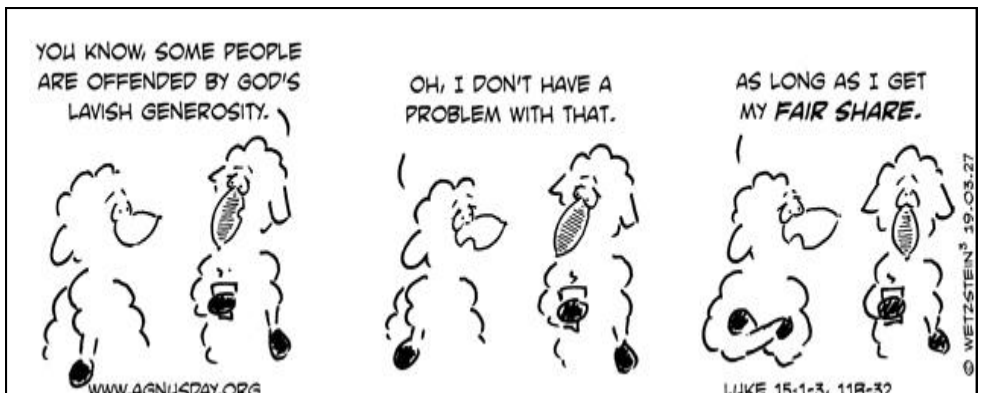
The heat pressed down as they trudged forward. The plan had been simple: follow the old stock route. It had never failed him before. But something had changed.

“Creek should’ve been there,” Harry muttered, checking his map again. He had led them to this gully countless times. Water always lingered in the shaded bends, even in the dry season. But now, nothing. Just cracked clay and the stink of something long dead.

Liam, the youngest of the group, wiped his forehead and peered over Harry’s shoulder. “Maybe we need to cut west, mate. That ridge looks like it’s holding some trees.” Harry snorted. “I’ve been doing this since before you were born. The stock routes never failed. We press on.”

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

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Levon



Next Week's Roster & Church Activities

6 April 2025

Preaching	Levon Kardashian
Worship Lead-in	Laraine McKay
Notices & Prayers	Laraine McKay
Vestry Elders	I. McKay, G. Caird
Bible Reader	Pauline Shields
Song Selector	Ros Bambrick
Back Up Singer	Caitlin Price
Piano	Nicky Rippingale
Additional Music	Tony Leong
Data Projector	Nathan Rippingale
Sound System	
Church Steward/Valet	Wise Kafoa
Welcome Host	Kerry Price
Count Offering	Grant P, Helper please
Morning Tea	Dulcie vW,

Monday 31 March 2025

9-11am Little Explorers—In Hall

Tuesday 1 April 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 2 April 2025

Thursday 3 April 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 4 April 2025

Saturday 5 April 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 6 April 2025

7:45am Worship Tannum Sands

9am Worship Gladstone

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**

6 May 1pm

* **Eden Vale Service**

April 15 10am

* **Church Council Meeting**

28 April 7:30pm

High Tea 17 May

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday March 31

Psalm 53

Leviticus 23:26-41

Revelation 19:1-8

Tuesday April 1

Psalm 53

Leviticus 25:1-19

Revelation 19:9-10

Wed April 2

Psalm 53

2 Kings 4:1-7

Luke 9:10-17

Thursday April 3

Psalm 126

Isaiah 43:1-7

Philippians 2:19-24

Friday April 4

Psalm 126

Isaiah 43:8-15

Philippians 2:25-3:1

Saturday April 5

Psalm 126

Exodus 12:21-27

John 11:45-57



LENT

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

Tannum Worship Centre

12 Silvertown Dr

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Thanks to Tim Crain

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**WHAT THE HECK IS A GUY SUPPOSED TO SAY
WHEN HIS SON'S CARPENTRY IS STARTING TO
SUFFER DUE TO EXCESSIVE MINISTERING?!?**

Direct EFT Giving

This is an option for those who like the convenience of setting up a Direct Transfer from your own bank account to the church each week/month for your offering. Please use 'Tithing' as the reference for regular offerings and 'Spec Offering' for a once off.

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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