



Gladstone Uniting Church

Interface

Pentecost 7

27 July 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.

Lord Jesus Christ,
Send down your Spirit upon me.
When I am uncertain, grant me wisdom.
When I am confused, grant me understanding.
When I am ignorant, grant me knowledge.
When I am wandering, grant me counsel.
When I am afraid, grant me fortitude.
When I am separated from you, grant me piety.
When I am selfish, grant me the fear of the Lord.
I ask for an outpouring of your Spirit with all of these gifts in your name.
Amen.

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

Lectionary Bible Readings

This Week: Pentecost 7

Hosea 1: 2-10

Psalms 85

Colossians 2: 6-15 (16-18)

Luke 11: 1-13



Next Week: Pentecost 8

Hosea 11: 1-11

Psalms 107: 1-9, 43

Colossians 3: 1-11

Luke 12: 13-21



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

Knock, Knock – God’s Bad Taste

Based on Luke 11:1-13 – Ask, seek, knock and Hosea 1:2-10 – Hosea’s marriage as a prophetic scandal.



The first time Kylie turned up, she knocked on the door three minutes after the service had started. A solid knock too, like a tradie checking if someone’s home. People froze in their pews. Mrs Thompson clutched her handbag like a talisman while George, the usher, hissed, “We don’t get many latecomers.”

Pastor Hannah, halfway through the greeting, smiled awkwardly and went to open the door. There stood Kylie—muddy boots, ripped jeans, hair like a storm cloud, tattoos peeking out from under her flannel shirt. She grinned, not embarrassed in the slightest.

“Am I late? Thought you lot might’ve started without me.”

Hannah waved her in. Kylie stomped up the aisle, boots echoing, and plonked herself in the front row. Someone coughed. Someone else muttered.

By morning tea, Kylie was asking questions.

“So, do you mob do free lunches here, or is that just a rumour?”

Mrs Thompson stiffened. “We... provide biscuits.”

Kylie eyed the tray. “That’ll do.”

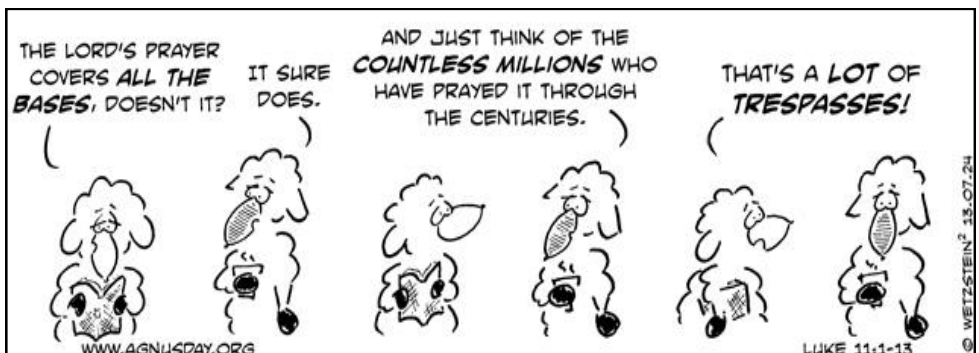
People whispered in corners: *She’s trouble. Been in and out of rehab. Didn’t she yell at the postie last month? And look at those tattoos. She’s not exactly... respectable.*

George summed it up with a sigh: “Why do people like that always find our church?”

Kylie came back the following week. And the week after. Always late, always knocking. One Sunday, she banged so hard George said, “Might as well give her her own key.”

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Levon

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Next Week's Roster & Church Activities

03 August 2025

Preaching	Levon Kardashian
Worship Lead-in	Dulcie van W
Notices & Prayers	Dulcie van W
Vestry Elders	D. Bambrick, L. McKay
Bible Reader	Dulcie van W
Song Selector	Ros Bambrick
Back Up Singer	
Piano	Selena Anderson
Additional Music	
Data Projector	Ian Anderson
Sound System	
Church Steward/Valet	
Welcome Host	
Count Offering	
Morning Tea	

Monday 28 July 2025

9-11am Little Explorers—In Hall

Tuesday 29 July 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 30 July 2025

Thursday 31 July 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 1 August 2025

Saturday 2 August 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 3 August 2025

7:45am Tannum Worship

9am Worship Gladstone

Soup & Trivia Night

Saturday August 16 @ 6pm.

Teams of 6.

Please contact Selena for more information or if you need a lift.



Dates to Note

*** New Auckland Place Service**

5 August 1pm

*** Eden Vale Service**

19 August 10am

*** Soup and Trivia Night**

Saturday 16 August 6pm

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday July 28

Psalm 44

Hosea 2:14-3:5

Colossians 2:16-3:1

Tuesday July 29

Psalm 44

Hosea 6:1-10

Romans 9:30-10:4

Wed July 30

Psalm 44

Hosea 6:11-7:16

Matthew 5:43-48

Thursday July 31

Psalm 107:1-9, 43

Hosea 8:1-14

Romans 11:33-36

Friday August 1

Psalm 107:1-9, 43

Hosea 9:1-17

Ephesians 4:17-24

Saturday August 2

Psalm 107:1-9, 43

Hosea 10:1-15

Mark 10:17-22

Anyone who wishes to donate non-perishable food items or hygiene items for Uniting Care to distribute, there is a collection point in the Narthex. There are paper shopping bags in the kitchen for donations.



COME

HOLY SPIRIT
 FILL THE HEARTS
 OF YOUR FAITHFUL
 AND KINDLE IN THEM
THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE.
 SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT
 AND THEY SHALL BE CREATED
 AND YOU SHALL RENEW
 THE FACE OF THE
 EARTH.

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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Open Tues & Thurs

9.00am—12.00pm

(times subject to change in school holidays)

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Sermon ideas and story:

<https://theoblog.org.au/reflections/>



Messy Church

Sunday 3 August

GLADSTONE UNITING CHURCH HALL

Messy Church is a form of church for children and adults that involves creativity, celebration and hospitality. Dinner will be served after Messy Church.

MessyChurchGladstone@gmail.com

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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Back copies of the weekly Interface are available on request. Remember also that these can also be downloaded from the Gladstone UC website at:

www.gladstoneuniting.org.au and are published on our Facebook page.



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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