



Gladstone Uniting Church

Interface

Pentecost 10

17 August 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 office@gladstoneuniting.org.au if you have any queries or we can be of assistance.

Today I pray for you:
A heart free of sadness,
A mind free of worries,
A life full of gladness,
A body free of illness,
And a spirit full of God's
blessings!
Good morning!

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

Lectionary Bible Readings

This Week: Pentecost 10

Isaiah 5: 1-7

Psalms 80: 1-2, 8-19

Hebrews 11: 29-12: 2

Luke 12: 49-56



Next Week: Pentecost 11

Jeremiah 1: 4-10

Psalms 71: 1-6

Hebrews 12: 18-29

Luke 13: 10-17



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

Smoke and Fire Between Us

Based on Luke 12:49–56 – I came to bring fire and division.

The wind howled around the island station as the storm tightened its grip. Rain lashed the windows, and the dark sea churned relentlessly. Inside the cramped research hub, tension hung thicker than the fog outside. Kara, the medic, wiped rain from her face and glanced nervously at the flickering monitor. Intermittent communication was their lifeline, but the signals were breaking up, making every message feel like a gamble.



The outsider, a journalist named Ellis, had arrived three days ago with a warning that unsettled everything. “There’s more to this station than they’re telling us,” Ellis had said, voice low in the dim light. “Something dangerous. We need to find out what it is before it’s too late.”

Kara had wanted to believe the station director, Mason, who assured them this was all routine environmental work. But the way Mason clung to secrecy, how he shut down questions with a forced calm, only deepened Kara’s doubts. The crew was divided—some loyal to Mason, trusting his authority; others pulled by Ellis’s insistence to uncover hidden truths.

Late that night, the radio crackled. A faint voice came through—Mason, calling family, his words clipped and guarded. Then Ellis’s turn. “Tell them we’re safe,” he urged Kara, voice tense. “But they need to know we’re fighting something here. Something they don’t want out.”

Kara hesitated but relayed the message. The calls were brief but enough to stoke suspicion. Different versions of what was happening spread like wildfire through the crew. Paranoia took root.

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Levon

**Reminder—roster forms are
due TOMORROW at 9am**

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



Next Week's Roster & Church Activities

24 August 2025

Preaching	Levon Kardashian
Worship Lead-in	Delwyn Bambrick
Notices & Prayers	Delwyn Bambrick
Vestry Elders	G. Caird, S. Anderson
Bible Reader	Helen Evans
Song Selector	Fiona Binney
Back Up Singer	
Piano	Emily Field
Additional Music	
Data Projector	Nathan Rippingale
Sound System	
Church Steward/Valet	
Welcome Host	Pauline Shields
Count Offering	
Morning Tea	

Key Audit

Can all those who have keys for the Church or the Hall, who use the shared generic alarm codes, please make contact with the Office to organise a personalised alarm code as the generic code is being retired and will no longer work after Tuesday 30 September.



Please note Worship on Sunday 31 August 2025 is at Tannum Sands Worship Centre at 7.45am.
12 Silvertown Drive Tannum Sands.



Monday 18 August 2025

9-11am Little Explorers—In Hall

Tuesday 19 August 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 20 August 2025

Thursday 21 August 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 22 August 2025

Saturday 23 August 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 24 August 2025

7:45am Tannum Worship

9am Worship Gladstone

Dates to Note

* New Auckland Place Service

2 Sept 1pm

* Eden Vale Service

19 August 10am

* Combined Worship at Tannum Sands

Sunday 31 August 7:45am

* Generic Key Code Retiring

30 Sept 2025

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday August 18

Psalm 74

Isaiah 5:8-23

1 John 4:1-6

Tuesday August 19

Psalm 74

Isaiah 5:24-30

Acts 7:44-53

Wed August 20

Psalm 74

Isaiah 27:1-13

Luke 19:45-48

Thursday August 21

Psalm 71:1-6

Jeremiah 6:1-19

Hebrews 12:3-17

Friday August 22

Psalm 71:1-6

Jeremiah 6:20-30

Acts 17:1-9

Saturday August 23

Psalm 71:1-6

Jeremiah 1:1-3, 11-19

Luke 6:1-5



Please note the updated email address for the Church Office.
office@gladstoneuniting.org.au

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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.



(See Genesis 11:1-9)

12-03-2001

I WOULDN'T WANNA BUILD HERE IF I WERE
 YOU ... THEM'R SMITIN' CLOUDS UP
 THERE

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 Silverton Dr

Gladstone Office Details:

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/>

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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