

Interface

Pentecost 17

5 October 2025

Welcome

ello 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.

Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope.

Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal.

Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it.

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

Lectionary Bible Readings

This Week: Pentecost 17

Lamentations 1: 1-6

Psalm 137

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Luke 17: 5-10



Next Week: Pentecost 18

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7

Psalm 66:1-12

2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Luke 17: 11-19



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

Ginger Hall

Based on 2 Timothy 1:1-14 – Paul urges Timothy not to be ashamed of testimony or suffering, but to rely on God's power.

Disclaimer: Any resemblance of characters, events, or props to real persons or occurrences is acknowledged only insofar as it may be interpreted, at the reader's discretion, as entirely coincidental or otherwise.

Virtueville was a democracy, maybe, a parish of sorts, perhaps, where all voices are heard, but some voices are heard more than others.

The city's Civic Hall stood on a corner of Elm and Main, freshly painted and gleaming, with polished brass handles and banners proclaiming the virtues of civic duty. Inside, the council chamber smelled faintly of disinfectant and over-polished wood, a scent Elias associated with authority and small absurdities. Rows of chairs waited for the public — citizens called to witness, applaud, or frown at carefully orchestrated performances.

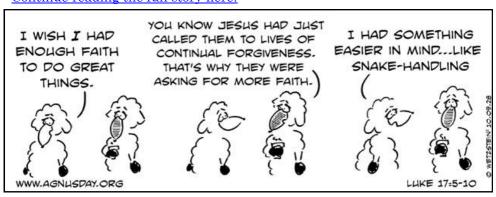
Elias Hartley stepped through the glass doors, his shoes echoing on the tile. At the reception desk, a clerk without interest handed him a slip: "Public Testimony Session — Mr. Elias Hartley — 10:15 AM." He pocketed it and walked the corridor to the chamber.

Inside, the council members sat elevated behind a polished bench, each with a cup of ginger tea, the only drink permitted in the Civic Hall. They wore suits, ties, and robes, each garment pressed and serious, yet slightly overdone — as if dignity could be stitched into fabric. Cameras lined the back wall, capturing every gesture and every pause, broadcasting the proceedings to a public trained to nod at all the right moments. Above the dais, a banner read, All voices are heard, but some voices are heard more than others.

The mayor leaned forward, hands clasped, a smile that didn't reach his eyes. "Mr. Hartley, we thank you for attending. Your recent statements have caused... concern. The council must review the impact on our civic harmony."

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Next Week's Roster & Church Activities

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Preaching	Gavin Caird
Worship Lead-in	Gavin Caird
Notices & Prayers	Gavin Caird

Vestry Elders H. Holmes, Helper pls

Bible Beader
Helper Evans

Bible Reader Helen Evans

Song Selector Ros Bambrick

Back Up Singer

Piano Selena Anderson

Additional Music

Data Projector lan Anderson

Sound System Wise Kafoa

Church Steward/Valet H. Holmes

Welcome Host

Count Offering Ian R, Helper Please

Morning Tea Linda R, Pam E

Pastoral Care Training Nov 7-9

A program designed to equip individuals with the skills and spiritual foundation needed



to support others through life's challenges. It focuses on active listening, empathy, prayer, confidentiality, and practical help, all grounded in biblical principles. This training is ideal for church leaders, small group leaders, ministry volunteers, and any church members who feel called to care for others in a more intentional way. Pastoral care training prepares you to walk alongside them with compassion and confidence.

Please note that the Generic Alarm Code has now been retired. If anyone who has a key and still needs to get a unique code, please contact the Office ASAP. Keys not required, please return them to the Office.

Monday 6 October 2025

9-11am Little Explorers—Public Hol

Tuesday 7 October 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 8 October 2025

Thursday 9 October 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 10 October 2025

Saturday 11 October 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 12 October 2025

7:45am Tannum Sands Worship

9.00am Gladstone Worship

Detes to Note

- * New Auckland Place Service
 - 7 Oct 1pm
 - * Eden Vale Service 21 Oct 10am
- * Pastoral Care Training 7-9 Nov
- * Congregational AGM 30 Nov after worship

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday Oct 6	Tuesday Oct 7
Psalm 137	Psalm 137
Lamentations 1:16-22	Lamentations 2:13-22
James 1:2-11	1 John 5:1-5, 13-21

Thursday Oct 9
Psalm 66:1-12
Jeremiah 25:1-14
2 Timothy 1:13-18

Friday Oct 10	Saturday Oct 11
Psalm 66:1-12	Psalm 66:1-12
Jeremiah 27:1-22	Jeremiah 28:1-17
2 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 5:12-16





Oct 12 - staying at Tannum after service
Oct 19 - preaching at the Lutheran Church in
Gladstone.

Oct 26 - Queensland Churches Together AGM in Brisbane

Nov 9 - staying at Tannum after service Nov 16 - Presbytery meeting in Proserpine

Gladstone Worship Centre

Cnr Uniting Place & Dixon Dr

Tannum Worship Centre

12 Silverton Dr

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https://theoblogy.org.au/reflections/



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SERIOUSLY, DAVID ... WHY DO YOU ALWAYS HAVE TO BE HARPING ON ME

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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<u>www.gladstoneuniting.org.au</u> 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 <u>Nut & Egg Free Church</u>. *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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