



Gladstone Uniting Church

Interface

Pentecost 15

21 September 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.

Sometimes God
calms the storm...
sometimes He lets
the storm rage and
calms His child



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Lectionary Bible Readings

This Week: Pentecost 15

Jeremiah 8: 18-9: 1

Psalms 79: 1-9

1 Timothy 2: 1-7

Luke 16: 1-13



Next Week: Pentecost 16

Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

Psalms 91: 1-6, 14-16

1 Timothy 6: 6-19

Luke 16: 19-31



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

When the Rubble Speaks

Based on Psalm 79:1-9 – Ruins testify to injustice and the consequences of human choices.

Warning: This story draws on real events from the author's life during wartime. The narrative depicts bombings, injury, and the aftermath of destruction, which may be distressing for some readers. While based on true experiences, the timeline has been rearranged to express the themes of lament, resilience, and communal action reflected in the Psalm reading and the story's topic.



I was nine years old. Rockets screamed overhead, rattling windows and shaking concrete walls. Dust filled the apartment as we crouched behind whatever we could, hearts pounding, counting each thump. Then, suddenly, silence.

My father grabbed my hand. "Come on!" he yelled. I ran after him through streets thick with dust and rubble. Smoke curled from a building hit just moments before, chunks of brick and concrete scattered across the asphalt. Neighbours were already running toward it, lifting slabs, sweeping shattered glass, checking if anyone was trapped. I followed immediately, barely thinking, only acting.

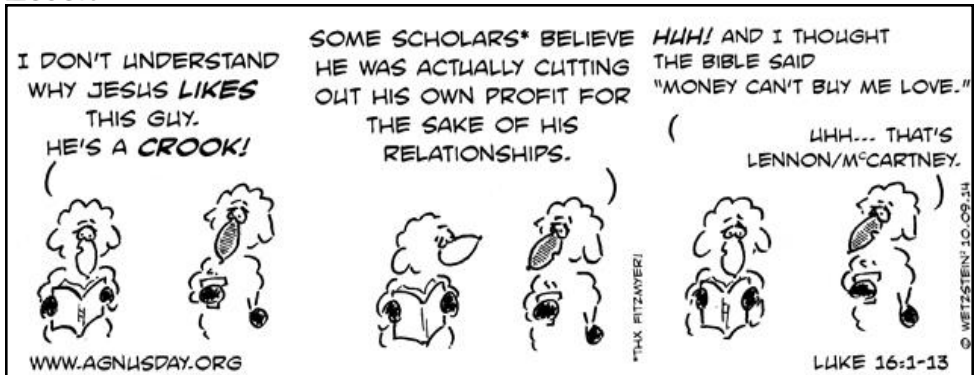
We worked fast. Concrete beams were dragged aside with grunts and heaves, broken bricks swept into piles, windows patched with nylon stretched taut over jagged frames. A plank jammed under a leaning wall held it upright temporarily. Someone held up a half-fixed cabinet, screws spilling onto the street, and a neighbour laughed: "Factory leftovers! Keep them out here for coffee breaks!" We laughed too. Absurdity amidst chaos made our hands lighter, our hearts steadier.

Kids ran around us, turning chunks of rubble into wickets, balancing beams like bats, tossing stones as balls. Shouts, laughter, and dust swirled around them. One kid missed the stone entirely, sending it skimming into a pile of bricks, and the others collapsed laughing. Even in the middle of danger, play went on.

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

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Levon



Next Week's Roster & Church Activities

28 September 2025

Preaching	Levon Kardashian
Worship Lead-in	Ros Bambrick
Notices & Prayer	Ros Bambrick
Vestry Elders	D. Bambrick, I. McKay
Bible Reader	Ros Bambrick
Song Selector	Ros Bambrick
Back Up Singer	
Piano	
Additional Music	
Data Projector	
Sound System	
Church Steward/Valet	Ian Rippling
Welcome Host	
Count Offering	Ian R, Helper pls
Morning Tea	Linda R, Pauline S

Monday 22 September 2025

9-11am Little Explorers—In recess

Tuesday 23 September 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 24 September 2025

Thursday 25 September 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 26 September 2025

Saturday 27 September 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 28 September 2025

7:45am Tannum Sands Worship

9.00am Gladstone Worship

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.



Dates to Note

* New Auckland Place Service

7 Oct 1pm

* Eden Vale Service

21 Oct 10am

* Generic Key Code Retiring

30 Sept 2025

* Pastoral Care Training 7-9 Nov

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday Sept 22

Psalm 106:40-48
Jeremiah 9:12-26
Acts 4:1-12

Tuesday Sept 23

Psalm 106:40-48
Jeremiah 10:1-16
1 Corinthians 9:19-23

Wednesday Sept 24

Psalm 106:40-48
Jeremiah 10:17-25
Luke 20:45-21:4

Thursday Sept 25

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
Jeremiah 23:9-22
2 Corinthians 8:8-15

Friday Sept 26

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
Jeremiah 23:23-32
Ephesians 2:1-10

Saturday Sept 27

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
Jeremiah 24:1-10
Luke 9:43b-48

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.



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



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