



Gladstone Uniting Church

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Pentecost 16

28 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.

Dear God, I thank You for giving me a new day to start. I pray that You watch over me, my family, and everyone in need of Your grace. Protect us, guide us, and fill our hearts with Your peace. Forgive me for my weaknesses, and strengthen my faith in You. Where there is faith, there is love. Where there is love, there is peace. Where there is peace, there is God. And where God is, nothing is missing. Lord, I place this month in Your hands. Your plan is always perfect, and Your love never fails.

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

Lectionary Bible Readings

This Week: Pentecost 16

Next Week: Pentecost 17

Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

Psalms 91: 1-6, 14-16

1 Timothy 6: 6-19

Luke 16: 19-31



Lamentations 1: 1-6

Psalms 137

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Luke 17: 5-10



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

Would You Buy a House in a War Zone?

Based on Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 – Jeremiah invests in a future he will never personally see.

Warning: This story contains references to war and its aftermath, including displacement and loss, which some readers may find distressing.

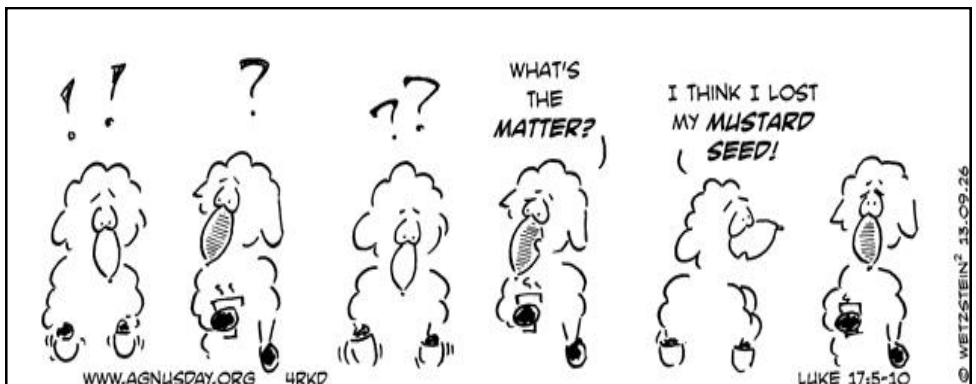


The war had been going on so long that days blurred into months, and months into years. The streets were no longer streets, but corridors of dust and rubble. Families were packed onto battered trucks and buses, moved from one neighbourhood to another. Children clutched small bags of belongings, and parents held what little they could carry. Makeshift checkpoints appeared at corners and intersections. People whispered about who could leave and who must stay behind, and the fear in their eyes was a language everyone understood. Buildings leaned at impossible angles, windows gaping like open mouths, walls scorched and pitted with fragments of explosions past. In the alleys and courtyards, neighbours set up temporary shelters. Life persisted where it could, children still finding corners to kick a battered football, markets operating on barter and scraps of rationed food, families doing their best to maintain routines in a world that had no use for them.

Through this chaos, a young man moved quietly, notebook in hand, walking past half-destroyed apartment blocks. His eyes were calm and observant, scanning foundations and plumbing, walls and floors, and sketching diagrams on the margins. People passed him by and laughed, or shook their heads. "You'd be insane to buy here!" someone called, voice raised over the distant rumble of artillery. "Nobody stays alive long enough to move in!" He ignored them. He asked questions about what remained of the building and what could be salvaged, and when satisfied, he found someone willing to negotiate.

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

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Levon



Next Week's Roster & Church Activities

5 October 2025

Preaching	Levon Kardashian
Worship Lead-in	Helen Evans
Notices & Prayers	Helen Evans
Vestry Elders	H. Holmes, G. Caird
Bible Reader	Helen Evans
Song Selector	Ros Bambrick
Back Up Singer	Caitlin Price
Piano	Nicky Rippingale
Additional Music	
Data Projector	Nathan Rippingale
Sound System	
Church Steward/Valet	Wise Kafoa
Welcome Host	Kerry Price
Count Offering	Grant P, Helper Please
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.



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

Monday 29 September 2025

9-11am Little Explorers—In recess

Tuesday 30 September 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 1 October 2025

Thursday 2 October 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 3 October 2025

Saturday 4 October 2025

9am-1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 5 October 2025

7:45am Tannum Sands Worship

9.00am Gladstone Worship

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 29

Psalm 119:49-56
 Jeremiah 32:16-35
 Revelation 3:14-22

Tuesday Sept 30

Psalm 119:49-56
 Jeremiah 32:36-44
 James 5:1-6

Wednesday Oct 1

Psalm 119:49-56
 Jeremiah 33:1-13
 Matthew 19:16-22

Thursday Oct 2

Lamentations 3:19-26
 Jeremiah 52:1-11
 Revelation 2:8-11

Friday Oct 3

Lamentations 3:19-26
 Jeremiah 52:12-30
 Revelation 2:12-29

Saturday Oct 4

Lamentations 3:19-26
 Lamentations 1:7-15
 Matthew 20:29-34



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IRONICALLY, IT'S A MUSTARD PLANT

Nov 16 - Presbytery meeting in Proserpine

Account Name: UCA Gladstone Congregation

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

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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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