



Gladstone Uniting Church

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Pentecost 4 (12)

21 June 2026

Welcome

Hello and welcome to worship this morning. We extend a special welcome to all visitors joining us today. May your time of worship be truly blessed.

If you are a visitor or newcomer to our church, please contact us at office@gladstoneuniting.org.au if you have any questions or if we can be of assistance.

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us.

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

Lectionary Bible Readings

Today: Pentecost 4 (12)

Genesis 21: 8-21
Psalm 86: 1-10, 16-17
Romans 6: 1b-11
Matthew 10: 24-39



Next Week: Pentecost 5 (13)

Genesis 22: 1-14
Psalm 13
Romans 6: 12-23
Matthew 10: 40-42



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

Water Without Authorisation

Based on Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 86:1-10; Matthew 10:24-39 – God chooses Israel yet hears Ishmael, receives Israel's worship yet gathers nations, and demands allegiance while disturbing boundaries.

There was a spring in the hills above the city. Long before the war, people had driven there on weekends to picnic under the trees and fill bottles with the cold water that flowed from the rocks. The city water system had worked back then, so the spring had been more of a curiosity than a necessity. But wars have a way of changing the value of ordinary things.

By the fourth year of the fighting, the spring had become one of the few reliable sources of clean water left. The pipelines had been damaged so many times that nobody bothered counting. Entire neighbourhoods depended on a handful of trucks making daily journeys into the hills.

One of those trucks belonged to a man named Elias. Every morning before sunrise, he drove the winding road to the spring, filled the tanks mounted on the back of his ageing truck, and returned to distribute water throughout his district. It was not glamorous work. Nobody celebrated water deliveries. People only noticed when the truck did not arrive.

The city was divided by a broad road that everyone called The Line. No wall stood there. No checkpoint officially marked it. Yet everyone knew where it was. The Line separated one district from another, one story from another, one version of the war from another. Children grew up learning which streets not to enter. Adults learned to speak of the other side as if it were another country.

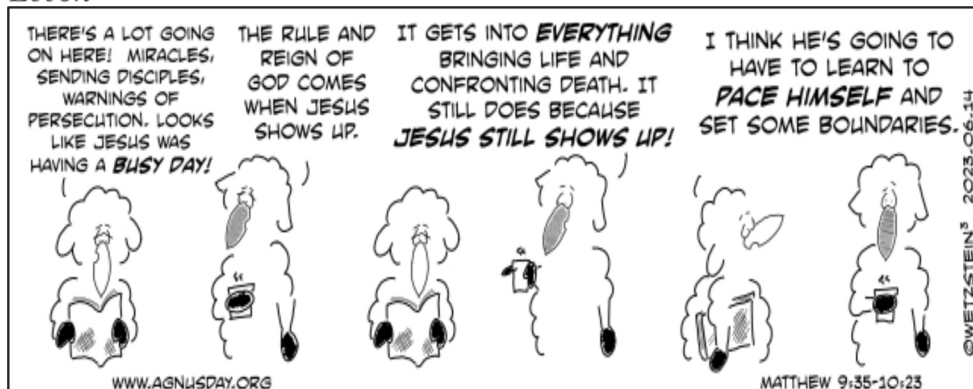
Elias rarely thought about the people beyond The Line. Not because he hated them. He simply had enough troubles of his own. Every day, there were families waiting for water. Every day, there were arguments over whose containers were filled first. Every day, there were rumours of shortages, attacks, and victories that never seemed to change anything.

One afternoon, as he drove home from the spring, he noticed a young girl sitting on a broken concrete barrier near The Line. Beside her was an empty plastic container. He assumed she was waiting for someone.

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



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Levon



Next Week's Roster

28 June 2026

Preaching	Gavin Caird
Worship Lead-in	Gavin Caird
Notices & Prayers	Gavin Caird
Vestry Elders	Delwyn B, Frances C
Bible Readers	Ros Bambrick
Praise Songs	Ros Bambrick
Back Up Singer	
Piano	Nicky Rippingale
Additional Music	
Data Projector	Natahn Rippingale
Sound System	
Valet	
Welcome Host	Dulcie van W
Count Offering	John P, Helper Please
Morning Tea	Dulcie vW, helper pls

Dates to Note

* New Auckland Place Service

7 July 1pm

* Eden Vale Service

21 July 10am

MMM on premises June 22 to July 2

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday June 22

Psalms 6
Micah 7:1-7
Revelation 2:1-7

Wednesday June 24

Psalms 6
Jeremiah 38:1-13
Matthew 10:5-23

Friday June 26

Psalms 89:1-4, 15-18
Jeremiah 25:8-14
Galatians 5:7-12

Tuesday June 23

Psalms 6
Jeremiah 26:1-12
Revelation 2:8-11

Thursday June 25

Psalms 89:1-4, 15-18
Jeremiah 15:1-7
Galatians 5:2-6

Saturday June 27

Psalms 89:1-4, 15-18
Jeremiah 28:1-4
Luke 17:1-4

Monday 22 June 2026

MMM on site

Tuesday 23 June 2026

9am - 1pm Bookshop Open

MMM on site

Wednesday 24 June 2026

MMM on site

Thursday 25 June 2026

9am - 1pm Bookshop Open

MMM here

Friday 26 June 2026

MMM on site

Saturday 27 June 2026

9am - 1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 28 June 2026

7:45am Worship TWC

8:45am Sunday School GWC

9:15am Worship GWC

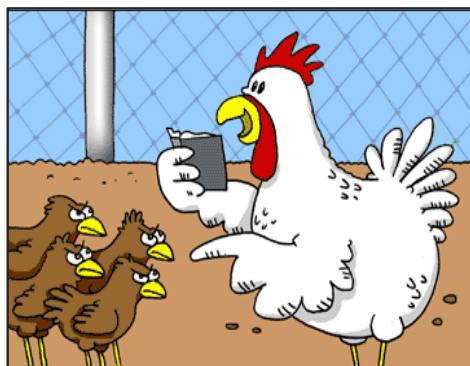
MMM are carrying maintenance activities from 22 June to the 2 July. **If anyone is interested in helping with the food, please speak to Pam.**

During their time with us, Josh and the team from MMM have invited any members of the congregation who are available to come and share lunch with them. Josh explained that they usually do a devotion during lunch and spend some time in prayer. He would love to have members of the congregation come and meet the team and share in this time with them.

**MOBILE
MISSION
MAINTENANCE
AUSTRALIA**

Prayer

is the breath, the watchword,
the comfort, the strength,
the honor of a Christian.



See Matthew 10:31

11-06-2000

I KNEW IT ... MATTHEW 10:31 SAYS:
"YOU ARE MUCH MORE VALUABLE THAN MANY SPARROWS"

Dates Levon is Not Preaching at Gladstone

Sunday 3 May—Sunday 17 May Annual Leave
Sunday 14 June Levon staying at TWC
Sunday 28 June Levon away
Sunday 26 July Presbytery Meeting
Sunday 9 August Levon staying at TWC
Sunday 23 August Levon away

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

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.

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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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 Free Church. Please do not bring or use peanuts or peanut products. Your assistance in this matter is much appreciated.

