



Gladstone Uniting Church

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Pentecost 7 (15)

12 July 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's no storm that God won't carry you through. No bridge that God won't help you cross. No battle that God won't help you win. No heartache that God won't help you let go of. He is SO much bigger than anything you will face today. Leave everything in His hands and embrace this day confidently knowing that He WILL take care of you. ♥

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

Lectionary Bible Readings

Today: Pentecost 7 (15)

Genesis 25: 19-34

Psalms 119: 105-112

Romans 8: 1-11

Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23



Next Week: Pentecost 8 (16)

Genesis 28:10-19a

Psalms 139: 1-12, 23-24

Romans 8: 12-25

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43



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

The Bridge That Never Was

Based on Genesis 25:19–34. A family marked by favouritism, deception, rivalry and impulsiveness cannot derail God's promise.

The following feature article first appeared in the weekend edition of The National Herald.

The Bridge Town with No Bridge

Some places become famous because they fulfilled their greatest ambition. Others become famous because they never did. For more than half a century, the small settlement officially known as East Crossing Valley has been recognised across the country by a very different name: The Bridge Town with No Bridge. Travellers stop to photograph the unfinished concrete pillars standing in the middle of the river. Engineering students study the abandoned foundations as one of the nation's most ambitious infrastructure failures. Cartoonists have long used the bridge as shorthand for political waste. At the same time, generations of election candidates have stood before those same pillars promising to succeed where every previous government had failed. Yet those who come expecting to find a town defined by disappointment usually leave wondering why its people speak so fondly of a bridge that never existed.

The story began nearly seventy years ago when the State Government approved funding to connect two communities separated by a river that was calm enough to admire but unpredictable enough to isolate neighbours for days after heavy rain. Farmers who could see each other's homes from opposite banks often spent half a day travelling through the mountains to meet. Doctors were delayed, markets remained small, schools developed separately, and families rarely ventured beyond their own side of the valley. The newly elected mayor built an entire campaign around a simple promise: No valley can flourish while its people are disconnected. The solution seemed obvious. Build a bridge, and the valley would finally become one community. Few questioned the plan because, to almost everyone, the plan and its purpose appeared to be exactly the same thing.

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



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Levon



Next Week's Roster

19 July 2026

Preaching	Levon Kardashian
Worship Lead-in	Ros Bambrick
Notices & Prayers	Ros Bambrick
Vestry Elders	H. Holmes, F. Clark
Bible Readers	Ian McKay
Praise Songs	Tony Leong
Back Up Singer	
Piano	Selena Anderson
Additional Music	
Data Projector	Ian Anderson
Sound System	Wise Kafoa
Valet	
Welcome Host	
Count Offering	Dulcie vW, helper please
Morning Tea	

Dates to Note

* New Auckland Place Service

4 August 1pm

* Eden Vale Service

21 July 10am

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday July 13

Psalm 92
Leviticus 26:3-20
1 Thessalonians 4:1-8

Tuesday July 14

Psalm 92
Deuteronomy 28:1-14
Ephesians 4:17-5:2

Wednesday July 15

Psalm 92
Proverbs 11:23-30
Matthew 13:10-17

Thursday July 16

Psalm 86:11-17
Isaiah 41:21-29
Hebrews 2:1-9

Friday July 17

Psalm 86:11-17
Isaiah 44:9-17
Hebrews 6:13-20

Saturday July 18

Psalm 86:11-17
Isaiah 44:18-20
Matthew 7:15-20

Monday 13 July 2026

Tuesday 14 July 2026

9am -1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 15 July 2026

Thursday 16 July 2026

9am -1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 17 July 2026

Saturday 18 July 2026

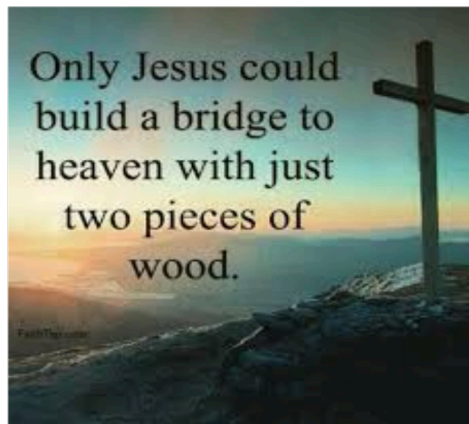
9am -1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 19 July 2026

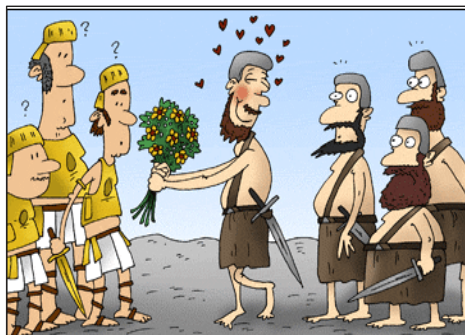
7:45am Worship TWC

8:45am Sunday School GWC

9:15am Worship GWC



Just because you go to church
doesn't mean you're a Christian.
I can go sit in the garage all day
and it doesn't make me a car.



Thanks to Gail's Mom Group (See Matthew 5:43-48) 03-09-2012

HE WAS GREAT AT LOVING HIS ENEMIES
... BUT NOT SO GREAT AT PICKING
APPROPRIATE TIMES OR KNOWING HOW FAR
TO TAKE IT

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.

