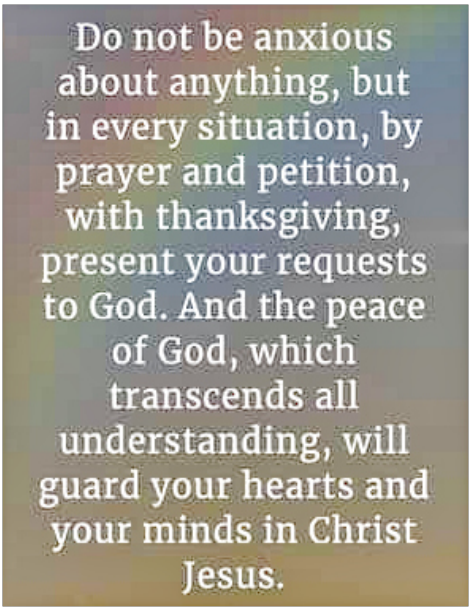
Gladstone Uniting Church
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Pentecost 25 (33) 15 November 2026

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.



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

Lectionary Bible Readings

Today: Pentecost 25 (33)	Next Week: Christ the King
Judges 4: 1-7	Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24
Psalm 123	Psalm 100
1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11	Ephesians 1: 15-23
Matthew 25: 14-30	Matthew 25: 31-46





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

The Talent Show



Based on Matthew 25:14–30: The master rewards servants who increase his wealth and punishes the servant who preserves what he was given.

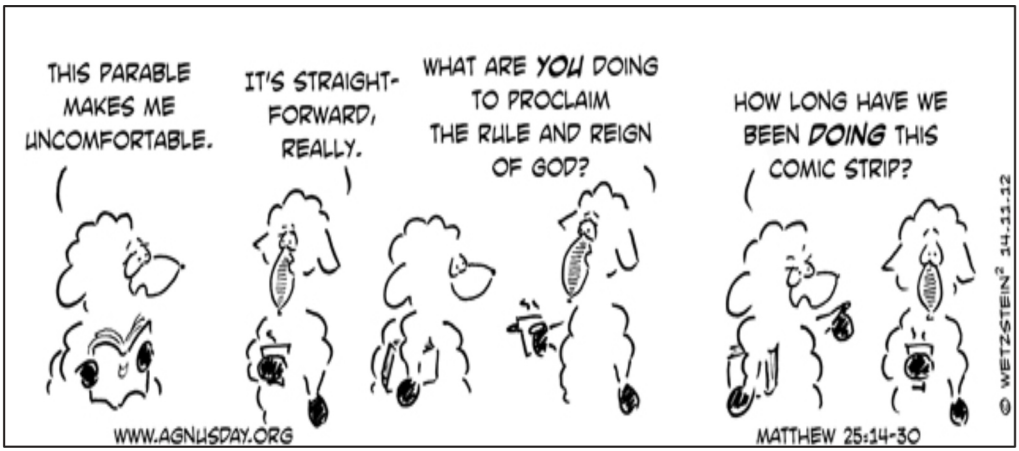
Before the cameras rolled, someone polished the mahogany, and someone else, whose entire job was to make a billionaire look approachable, spent twenty minutes arranging a single fern, the only living thing in the boardroom not expected to produce a return. Victor Sterling took his seat beneath gold letters announcing THE STERLING CHALLENGE, and the room adjusted itself around him the way furniture does around a man who owns it. His name meant both excellent quality and British currency, and he had always found the second meaning more useful.

Admirers said he saw opportunity where others saw problems; critics said he built the problems and sold the solutions. “Three finalists,” he said. “Twelve months. One rule: return on investment.” Marcus received five million dollars and looked as though he had been born holding it. Vanessa received two million and looked as though she had already found three ways to spend it more efficiently. Daniel received one million and looked at it the way a man looks at a very large dog he has been asked to mind for the weekend. “Business rewards courage,” Sterling told them, “not sentiment. Sentiment never appears on a balance sheet.” Then he left, as busy men do, and the contestants went out to make him richer. Marcus moved first. Within three weeks he owned an ageing apartment complex, sixty-four units of pensioners, young families and shift workers, and most of them were told their leases were ending. The cameras followed him through tile showrooms and arguments with suppliers. They also filmed a woman packing thirty years of belongings into cardboard boxes.

[Continue reading the full story here.]

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Levon



Next Week's Roster

22 November 2026

Preaching	Levon Kardashian
Worship Lead-in	Pam Elliott
Notices & Prayers	Pam Elliott
Vestry Elders	H. Holmes, F. Clark
Bible Readers	Helen Evans
Praise Songs	Fiona Binney
Back Up Singer	
Piano	Craig Binney
Additional Music	
Data Projector	Nathan Rippingale
Sound System	
Valet	
Welcome Host	
Count Offering	Ian R, Helper please
Morning Tea	Linda R, helper please

Dates to Note

*** New Auckland Place Service**

1 December 1pm

*** Eden Vale Service**

17 November 10.30am

Congregational AGM 29 November

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday Nov 16
Psalm 9:1-14;
Zechariah 1:7-17;
Romans 2:1-11;

Tuesday Nov 17
Psalm 9:1-14;
Zechariah 2:1-5; 5:1-4; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-18;

Wed Nov 18
Psalm 9:1-14;
Job 16:1-21
; Matthew 24:45-51;

Thursday Nov 19
Psalm 95:1-7a;
1 Kings 22:13-23;
Revelation 14:1-11;

Friday Nov 20
Psalm 95:1-7a; 1 Chronicles 17:1-15;
Revelation 22:1-9;;

Saturday Nov 21
Psalm 95:1-7a;
Isaiah 44:21-28;
Matthew 12:46-50;

Monday 16 November 2026

Tuesday 17 November 2026

9am -1pm Bookshop Open

Wednesday 18 November 2026

Thursday 19 November 2026

9am -1pm Bookshop Open

Friday 20 November 2026

Saturday 21 November 2026

9am -1pm Bookshop Open

Sunday 22 November 2026

7:45am Worship TWC

9:15am Worship GWC

The Church regularly gets requests for financial help. There is a special collection tin for donations towards buying Woolworths Essentials Gift Cards to have in the Office to help those in need. If you don't wish to put in a donation you can purchase gifts cards (to the value of $25 or $50) and give them to Ros in the Office.



Congregational AGM 29 November 2026

The AGM of the Gladstone congregation will be on Sunday 29 November 2026 after Combined Worship at Tannum Sands. For those who will be preparing reports, could you please have them into the office by TODAY as Word Documents. Nominations need to be in by TODAY.

Please note that Emily Field and Nathan Rippingale's terms expire this year so there are 3 vacancies to be filled.



Come Divine Spirit –
Rattle our cages –
Break into our locked houses –
Water our parched land –
Undo our bends and twistedness –
Awaken our hearts –
Help us to overflow with kindness –
And –
Give us unending joy!
AMEN!

Dates Levon is Not Preaching at Gladstone

~~September 27~~
~~October 4~~
~~October 25 - Synod Meeting~~
~~November 8~~
November 15 - Presbytery Meeting

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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Rev Levon Kardashian
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Sermon ideas and story:
https://theoblogy.org.au/reflections/

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

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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.

