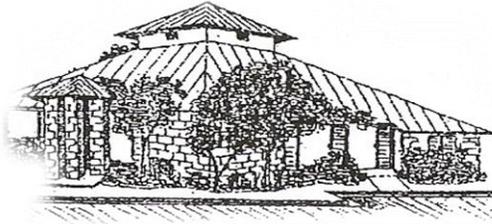


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KEEPING IN TOUCH

WELCOME! *We welcome all visitors with us today, and pray your time with us will be a blessed one.*

Kirwan's Mission Statement

To be a people of God led by the Holy Spirit to practise and spread the love of Jesus Christ in the world

18th October, 2020

Service Time: 8.30am

Preacher: Tevita Mone (Bown UC)

Reader: Wayne Paul

Service Time: 10.00am

Preacher: Tivita Mone

Reader: David Beck

Rev Andrew Gunton will be inducted. He was the Moreton Rivers Presbytery Minister who chaired the JNC for my first Placement. You can blame him for everything which followed.
Friday 23 October 1pm to 6pm
Saturday 24 October 08:30am to 6pm
Sunday 25 October 1pm to 6pm. But come to KUC at 08:30 or 10:00 first!

Normal Rambling will be resumed next week

☺ (In the will of the Lord and if the creek don't rise).

Lectionary readings	Pentecost 20
Ex 33: 12-23	Psalm: 99:
1 Thes 1: 1-10	Mt 22: 15-22

Richard's Ramble - Notice

Uniting Church Queensland Synod this year is online. We were going to be a hub, so that anyone who wanted to see the governance of our church at work, could come along. But Aitkenvale is a hub, they have a groovier streaming setup than we do, the BP Café across Anne St makes great coffee, they have aircon, it seemed silly to have two hubs so close to each other.

So pop along to Aitkenvale Uniting at the corner of Anne and Ross River. Only delegates can vote (that's Sheree, if she's well enough, and me), but anyone can observe. Let Pastor Graham Huth graham.huth@bigpond.com know which session/s you will attend, so that he can ensure COVID-Safety.

Thursday 22 October, 6:30pm for 7pm,
Moderator's Induction.

This Week's Calendar

Mon 19th	9.30am: Pastoral Care 10.30am: House of Jonah
Tues 20th :	9.30am: Craft:Cards:ChitChat
Wed 21st:	5.30pm: Music Group 7.30pm: Bible Study

Roster for 25th October, 2020

8.30am Service:

Preacher: Richard Lance

Reader: Sheila v-P

Greeters: TBA

Announcement: Narelle Harrison

Flowers: Narelle Harrison

Roster for 25th October, 2020

10.00am Service

Preacher: Richard Lance

Reader: Wendy de Munari

Greeter: Leisa Lance

Announcements: Sheila v.P

Offering: Kathy Reid: Trevor Nuss

Morning Tea: Annette & Peter Ireland

COVID News

Restrictions are slowly easing but we must be careful and vigilant. The government defines places of worship as high risk environments, so consequently our industry plan is stricter than for other places, like restaurants. One ruling is that if you do any activity that means you have to go closer than 1.5 metres to another person you are required to wear a face mask. That discourages us from going back to the old style of offering collection, as the offering steward would have to wear a mask and rubber gloves, which is a bit off putting.

For the long term I think we need to accept that our current arrangements for services and meetings will probably continue for most of next year. As a disaster researcher I have been doing analysis of COVID figures and projections with my students. For the world, the numbers of people with the virus are projected to increase a lot early next year. Australia's cases are projected to go down to low levels and stay there next year because it is assumed that the (Queensland level) rules and restrictions will remain in place. When a vaccine becomes available, companies have to start manufacturing millions of doses and then distributing them, such that vaccination will be slow and at best can only reach part of the population by the end of next year. So while the risk to us remains quite low into the future we need to accept that these rules and restrictions will be with us for a long time, and that we will have to keep worshipping at two services, sanitising, disinfecting, filling

out contact registers and keeping 1.5 metres apart for most or all of the next year. Please stay home if you are sick or worried about the threat, but otherwise please join us in worshipping and meeting together, trusting in one another to do the right things to keep us all safe at church. Blessings David K

News from Council of Ministry

Our finances are good. Thanks to everyone who has so generously contributed to supporting our church. Most of our revenue now comes from direct giving, but we need to keep the weekly offerings going. Doing an offering collection might not be the best way, and anyone who handles cash has to wear gloves, so we'll put the offering plate in a more visible position and give thanks in each service for all the gifts we receive. Graham is preparing next year's budget so please let any of us know of ideas that need to go on a wish list – things to maintain, improve or add to the church.

Because we have two services we are getting short on singers to lead our hymns and songs. Please let Anne Holmes or Maarten know if you are willing and able to join them as singers.

In preparation for the wet season, we need to have a brief working bee from 7 to 9am on Saturday 7th November. Please book this date and come along to help clear up, clean and fix things.

Thanks. David K

Stable on the Strand

Stable on the Strand will be operating differently this year. For further info regarding Stable on the Strand please look up the following link.

<https://stableonthestrand.com.au/downloads>

