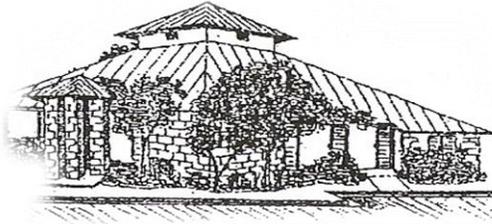


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## KEEPING IN TOUCH

**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

22nd November, 2020

**Service Time: 8.30am**

**Preacher: John Short**

**Reader: Wayne Paul**

**Service Time: 10.00am**

**Preacher: John Short**

**Reader: David Beck**

**Readings for 22.11.20**

**Psalm: 100**

**Isiah 40: 29-31**

This Sunday marks the end of the church year and it is the day on our calendar known as "Christ the King Sunday" or "Reign of Christ Sunday". Just before the start of Advent, when we look forward to the coming of the King; we set aside a day to first recognise and proclaim Christ's sovereignty, and then to seek to comprehend what that really means for each of us. So often, contemporary Christian music and theology places such emphasis on the concept of having a relationship with Jesus that we take him, his power and authority, and his commands for granted. The fact is that Jesus is more than a friend, he is God, he is Lord, he is our saviour, and yes – he is our King.

The Apostle Paul declares in our reading today from Ephesians

1:20-21, "God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come."

The Church has many levels of governance—I am away in Cairns this weekend attending Presbytery. We will be inducting our Presbytery ministers. Next week we elect our Church Councillors and Elders. Similarly, earthly governments, leaders, and rulers come and go.

Queensland has just had an election, and America is watching to see if President Trump will accept the results of their election. But the fact is, no matter who wins on election day, or elected to any roles of power, influence or rule, they still fall under the ultimate authority of the King of heaven – and so do we. That will never change. One day, we will find ourselves bowing before his throne and giving an account of the life we have lived.

Jesus is King; let us ensure we honour him with our lives, through the church, and through our love and compassion to each other.

Reign King Jesus, reign!

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Many Blessings, Pastor Graham Huth

## *This Week's Calendar*

**Mon 23rd: 9.30am: Pastoral Care**  
**10.30am: House of Jonah**  
**Tues 24th: 9.30am: Craft: Coffee: Chat**  
**Wed 25th: 7.30pm: Bible Study Group**

### Roster for 29th November, 2020

#### 8.30am Service:

**Preacher:** David King

**Reader:** Sheila v.P

**Greeters:** Greg Fraser

**Announcement:** Sheila v P

**Morning Tea:** Helen & David Beck

**Flowers:** Amelia Palu

### Roster for 29th November, 2020

#### 10.00am Service

**Preacher:** David King

**Reader:** Wendy De Munari

**Greeter:** TBA

**Announcements:** Kathy Reid

**Offering:** Kathy Reid:

## **COVID update**

Numbers allowed in churches under 200 square metres in size have increased to 100 but we still have to allow 2 square metres a person. Greg and Sue have remeasured the church and all our spaces. Therefore we can now hold 83 people inside the church. Another change is that all members of the same extended family can sit closer together than 1.5 metres, but you need to keep 1.5 metres between your group and the next people. They are not sure how that affects the overall 2 square metres each, so we will stick with 83.

We still need to hold 2 services at Christmas because traditionally our numbers are around 100 or more, but after the next couple of weeks we might be able to move back to our single 9 am service. We need to maintain our current 2 services each Sunday until the new government industry plan is released, probably in early December. Synod thinks that the public health emphasis will be on more stringent cleaning. At the moment we

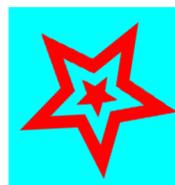
are only disinfecting surfaces after the services, but if we are required to disinfect and wipe down everything we cannot do it in the half hour between services, so that will make it essential to go back to a single service. Of course there is always the danger of an outbreak of COVID, like that in South Australia, so things can change quite fast. Although the numbers have been allowed to increase, everything else remains the same – sanitise, sign in, keep social distance and morning tea must still be served – no buffet style.

Meanwhile thank you all for your patience and support.

Blessings, David K.

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### STARS FOR OUR STABLE DISPLAY



As part of our Kirwan Stable on the Streets display we are inviting everyone to contribute a star –

If you would like to participate, you might like to make a star, find a star, check your old Christmas decoration box and dig out a star and bring it along to church and put it in the box provided in the foyer.

We will hang our varied collection along the top of the alcove on the street side of the church.

You could put your name on the star if you like.

This will add to our display sign at the front of the Church.



