



Issue 8
20 April 2016

Pastoral and prayer concerns

- Please pray for the congregation of Ashgrove West Uniting Church as they seek to minister to their community.
- Please pray for Chaplains ministering to those in hospitals; patients, families and staff.

Presbytery Notices and Events

Induction Service:

All are welcome to attend the induction service of Rev Murray Fysh as minister of the word at Merthyr Rd Uniting Church (52 Merthyr Rd, New Farm) on Tuesday 26 April, 7pm.

Code of Ethics/Safe Ministry with Children (for Ministry Agents)

Code of Ethics – Friday 6 May 2016
9:00am – 12:30pm followed by lunch
Kenani Community Church Banyo
425 Earnshaw Rd Banyo

Safe Ministry with Children Training:
Friday 6th May 1:15pm -4:30pm
Kenani Community Church
425 Earnshaw Rd, Banyo

This training session for Ministerial Agents to introduce them to the new Safe Ministry with Children information

Click [here](#) to register
RSVP by Friday 29 April

Nominations for Presbytery Chair & Presbytery Secretary

Nominations are now open for the roles of Presbytery Chair and Presbytery Secretary. Nomination forms are now available on the [website](#). Please note that nominations close 30 June, 2016.

Your invitation to bring a dangerous idea to Synod Unchained 2016

Synod Unchained is an event taking place with the 32nd Queensland Synod meeting of the Uniting Church in Australia.

Unchained is a festival event to be held on Saturday evening May 21st, kick starting at 4pm. It is a time to explore dangerous ideas that might just enable our church to go to interesting new places. Unchained will not only be thought provoking and challenging - with a host of dangerous ideas to explore – but also a lot of fun, with great food, music, entertainment and the company of our gathered community. Unchained incorporates the Norman and Mary Millar Lecture

This is an invitation for your presbytery/agency to contribute to the festival by bringing a dangerous idea to share with the gathered community. If there are others in your presbytery/agency who you believe could contribute a dangerous idea for Unchained, we would love you to pass this invitation on to them.

Bring an idea to Unchained by:

- Contribute a physical poster or digital slide to be displayed in the main festival space throughout the evening (posters/slides due by 30th April)
- Speak from the 30-second soapbox during the night. There's no need to pre-register, you can grab an available slot on the night and share your idea with the world. Classic "soapbox" action!

For more information or to lodge an application, contact Scott Guyatt on 07 3377 9773 or email scott.guyatt@ucaql.com.au

Do you have an event you would like others to know about?

To share any items for the MRP Newsletter, please [click here](#)

This is the preferred method of communicating events/notices for the newsletter.

Youth & Children



Day Camp 2016 – Registrations now open !

For information and online registration [click here](#) (right click). For further information contact Jill Bow at adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au

Safe Ministry with Children Training

Child safety is vital in the life of each and every congregation. Please see the following opportunities for Safe Ministry with Children (Child Safe Church) Training:

Team Member Training: **Saturday 7 May 2016**
Venue: 177 Bennetts Road, Norman Park
8am – 11.00am

Coordinator/Leader Training: No separate training required if Leader/Coordinator attends Member training.

[Register here \(right click\)](#)

For further information contact Jill Bow at adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au
Ph: 3366 0236

September Camp 2016 Fundraiser (Combined Youth Group Event Term 2)

All ages are welcome to participate or come and support your local act.



Click [here](#) for more info (right click)
[Click here to register \(right click\)](#)

Growing Ministry Training Days

To grow the ministry with Children and Young People in the Moreton Rivers Presbytery through leadership - existing ministry staff development, encouraging and equipping next generation of ministry staff.

[Click here for flyer \(right click\)](#)

[Click here to register \(right click\)](#)

For further information contact Jill Bow at adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au or Ph: 3366 0236

Educating & Equipping

Learning for Living, 1st semester 2016

North Lakes mid-year 2016 course will be "Exploring the New Testament"

9.00-5.00, on three Saturdays at The Lakes College, 2 College St, North Lakes:

- 11 June: Jesus and the Gospels
- 16 July: Paul's Life & Letters
- 13 August: The Finished Product and Beyond



The text is W Loader "The New Testament with Imagination" (Eerdmans, 2007).

Cost: \$125 including required text book. \$100 without textbook (eg if you can borrow from a previous participant). Discounts for multiple people attending from the same congregation, faith community or agency.

[For brochure and enrolment form click here \(right click\)](#)

Mission Shaped Ministry 2016

URGENT: Please register now for this year's Mission Shaped Ministry course, even if you missed the Mission Shaped Intro on 18-19 March.

Course content includes:

- The mission of God
- Understanding your mission context
- Worship and sacraments
- Evangelism
- Leadership
- Children and young people
- Gospel and culture
- Lessons from failure
- Starting something new



Venue for first block:

Wednesday evenings – Broadwater Rd Uniting Church (481 Broadwater Road Mansfield, Queensland)

Saturday field day – BELLS (near Caloundra)

Three short blocks, each including a series of Wednesday evenings (7-9pm) plus one Saturday field trip (8.30-4.30)

Block one: Wed 13 April to Saturday 7 May

Block two: Wed 1 June to Saturday 18 June

Block three: Wed 13 July to Saturday 6 August

Registration options:

Intro, with optional extension for the full course (\$95 + \$200)

Remaining full course rego (\$295)

Group discount policy for multiple registrations from same congregation/community

Special offer: Job share! It can be hard to find people able to attend all sessions of the course. Talk to us about having several people "job-sharing" single places in the course. Contact Jill on 3366 0236 (Wed-Fri) or adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au

For more information, go to: www.msmdl.com

Registrations:

Please click here to register: <http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/BcCq04LX1QI1jR9P>

Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry Course

Wednesday 5 October – Friday 7 October 2016, Brisbane

Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry is a three day program designed to give participants an introduction to the key concepts and practices of ministering with congregations and agencies in times of transition.

[For more information click here](#) (right click)

[For online registration click here](#) (right click)

Worship & Preaching Day
Saturday, 22 October 2016

Save the date!

Focus on Community Engagement in Worship.

- How do we bring worship to the wider community in public events, such as ANZAC Day, times of major disasters, Christmas?
- How can we engage the wider community in our Sunday gatherings?

Further experiences of **contemporary music** and other workshops may include **story-telling in worship**.

Lay Preacher candidates will have a special stream, focusing on the worship elements of intercessory prayer and sending out.

[Contact Rob McFarlane](#) with **suggestions for workshops** you would like on the day. Feel free to suggest presenters or to volunteer!

Other Events

Launch of Heritage Anzac Website

Saint Andrew's Uniting Church (Creek and Ann Streets, Brisbane) invites you to the launch of the heritage website with stories from the Honour Boards on **Friday 22 April** at **6pm** in the Church, followed by light refreshments in the Vera Wade Gallery.

saintandrews.org.au

For more information contact Miriam King: staheritage@gmail.com

Anzac Day Service

An Anzac Day Service will be held at Saint Andrew's (Creek and Ann Streets, Brisbane) at **8am on Anzac Day 25 April** using the communion vessels that Chaplain Merrington used on Gallipoli.

saintandrews.org.au

For more information contact Rev Bruce Johnson: 3221 2400; saintandrews@saintandrews.org.au

Living the Question Series - starting soon - at West End Uniting Church

The Progressive Spirituality Network invites you to journey with us into an exploration of faith and practice.

[Brochure](#)

Bible and Christian Ethics Course

An interactive 5 week course starting 5 May answering how a Biblical world view can inform your ethical life. The course is led by systematic theology lecturer, Dr Janice McRandal.

www.thegapuca.org.au

Contact: Faye or Silvia 3300 2712 or office@thegapuca.org.au

[Poster](#)

[Registration Form](#)

Aunty Jean's Annual Soup Night

Saturday 7 May, 6:30pm

St Andrew's Anglican Church

160 Vulture St, Sth Brisbane

Enjoy a variety of homemade soups,
quiche, sweets, fruit, coffee and tea.

Come and learn more on Aboriginal issues and ministries
— in particular the youth interviews and singing.

Entry by donation.

Proceeds from the evening go towards Aboriginal Christian Leadership and ministries.

For further information:

Phone Morris or Robin: 3844 1246

Brook: 0416 197 324

Julie : 0415 334 352

Lea: 042 397 697

Table bookings can be made.

[Flyer](#)

Journey to Greece (17 Sept – 1 Oct, 2016)

Come along on an unforgettable journey in the footsteps of St. Paul, as we travel through some of the most significant historical and religious sites in Greece, from ancient empires, to the early church, and through to modern times. Whatever your particular interest, there will be lots to see and do, plenty of 'bucket list' items to tick, and enough time to rest in-between.

Rev. Rod Fisher is a Minister in the Uniting Church and lives with his wife and two sons in Brisbane. He is passionate about teaching and learning, having fun, and meeting new people. He is eager to share his insights gained during his recent tour of Greece in 2015. This journey will be enjoyed by both student and tourist alike, regardless of educational or religious background. Be prepared to learn, to laugh, and to join in the adventure!

Right click to view the [booking form](#).

Right click to view the [brochure](#).

Notices

Safe Ministry with Children: Tools for Church Councils

To assist Church Councils with Safe Ministry with Children, please see the following links for some useful tools:

<http://www.moretonriverspresbytery.org.au/safety-ministry-with-children/>

<http://ucaqld.com.au/safe-ministry-with-children/>

Calendar

May

3 - PRC

6 – Code of Ethics/Safe Ministry with Children (Ministry Agents)

17 – Standing Committee

20 – 25 Synod