



**Moreton Rivers
Presbytery**

Newsletter

22 August 2018

Encouraging and Equipping God's People for God's Mission.

WELCOME

Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter. It's full of what's happening around the Moreton Rivers Presbytery and beyond. To sign up or unsubscribe to the newsletter register your details at: office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au

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WHAT'S on:

-  Friday 24th & Sat 25th Aug
Mission Australia/
Youth Combine Winter
Sleepout, Wesley House
-  Wednesday 29th August
Introduction to Fresh
Expressions – Rev Dr Adam
Macintosh
Moreton Rivers Presbytery
-  GYM Day – 29th August
The Soul Pantry, Stafford
-  9 September 2018
Safe Ministry with Children
Training - Bulimba
-  16 September 2018
Safe Ministry with Children
Training - Morayfield
-  21 & 22 September 2018
Pioneer Ministry & Fresh
Expressions Master Class &
Seminar – Rev Canon Dave
Male
-  27th September 2018
Ministry Agent Code of
Ethics and Safe Ministry
with Children Extra
Training Day - UCQld

PRESBYTERY NEWS:

Prayer and Pastoral Concerns

Please pray for Kilcoy Uniting Church and the church community as they minister to those in their community.

Please pray for Chaplains who are working in tertiary and other higher education facilities, for their ministry to students, families and staff.

Please pray for the General Secretary Rev Heather den Houting at the Synod office, for the role she plays within the Uniting Church in Australia.

Ordination

Mr Peter Blake will be ordained at Emmanuel Uniting Church on Saturday 1st September at 2pm.

Inductions

Rev Robin Osborne, Wesley Mission Queensland, date to be advised.

Rev Linda Hanson, UnitingCare Queensland, Wednesday 22nd August during Placements @Synod office

Rev Janet Staines, Chermside Kedron Community Church, Sunday 21st October at 2pm

Rev Susan Pickering, St Andrew's Uniting Church, Sunday 28th October at 2pm

Nominations for Pastoral Relations Committee Chairperson

The Standing Committee is calling nominations for Pastoral Relations Chairperson.

If you could like to nominate please [click here](#). Please send nomination to office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au by Monday 29th October 2018

Nominations for Presbytery Resourcing Committee Members

The Resourcing Committee is currently looking for members!

If you could like to nominate to be part of the Resourcing Committee please [click here](#)

Ministry Agent opportunity – South West Queensland

The Presbytery of the Downs, in partnership with Frontier Services, is seeking a person to minister to remote rural and isolated communities in the Cunnamulla Burke and Wills area in South West Queensland.

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PRESBYTERY NEWS: *Continued*

**Ministry Agent Code of Ethics and Safe Ministry with Children
Extra Training Days**

Thursday 27th September @ UnitingCare Qld

Friday 26th October @ Chermside Kedron Uniting Church

[See flyer for details](#)

Trinity College Upcoming Events



- Open Evening – 10 September 2018 (7pm-9 pm)
- Open Day – 11 September 2018 (9am – 4pm)
- Trinity Unplugged - Guest Speaker : Sam Chan “Things I wish I knew when telling my friends about Jesus”, Thursday 1st November 2018

For more information and to register [click here](#)

MRP COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

3 rd September	Resourcing Committee Meeting
4 th September	Pastoral Relations Committee Meeting
15 th October	Education & Equipping Committee Meeting
30 th October	Standing Committee Meeting

Next 2018 Newsletter: Wednesday 5th September 2018

Submissions due: Monday 3rd September 2018

Scroll down to the next section: [Mission Development News](#)

MISSION DEVELOPMENT NEWS:

***An Introduction to Fresh Expressions – Presented by Rev. Dr. Adam McIntosh
Wednesday 29th August 2018, 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm
Moreton Rivers Presbytery, 22 Ashgrove Av, Ashgrove***

For more information and to register online [click here](#)



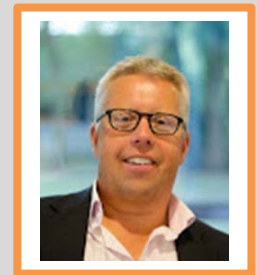
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MISSION EDUCATION NEWS:

Pioneer Ministry & Fresh Expressions – Master Class & Seminar with Rev Canon Dave Male

***Friday 21 September 2018, 9.30 am – 4.30 pm
Moreton Rives Presbytery Office, 22 Ashgrove Av, Ashgrove***

***Saturday 22 September 2018, 9.30 am – 2.00 pm
Broadwater Road Uniting Church, 481 Broadwater Rd, Mansfield***



[Click here](#) for more information and RSVP. ***Places are limited to 12 participants !***

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YOUTH AND CHILDREN NEWS:

September Camp – Registrations are now open !

24th – 28th September 2018

Old Camping and Conference Centre, Mt Tamborine

For all high school students !

For more information and online registration [click here](#)



**Safe Ministry with Children Training – Congregation Members
(No Ministry Agents)**

Bulimba Uniting Church, 216 Oxford St, Bulimba

Sunday 9th September (4.00 pm – 7.00 pm)

For more information and online registration [click here](#)



Morayfield Uniting Church, 12-16 Weier Rd, Morayfield

Sunday 16th September (10.00 am – 1.00 pm)

For more information and online registration [click here](#)

2018 Growing Youth 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.



Our next training day: Wednesday 29th August, 9.00 am, The Soul Pantry, 31 Wolverhampton St, Stafford.

For all training day information [GM flyer 2018](#)

For online registration [click here](#)

**Mission Australia and Moreton Rivers Presbytery
Winter Sleepout**

Friday 24 & 25 August 2018, Wesley House

For more information and rsvp [click here](#)



YOUTH AND CHILDREN NEWS:

2018 Youth Combines



For dates and events [click here](#)

2018 Young Adults Events



For dates and events [click here](#)

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COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Position Vacant – The Gap Uniting Church Grow Sunday School Coordinator

The Gap Uniting Church is looking for someone, to be responsible for delivering a program that engages participants and encourages involvement in order to nurture faith formation in our young people. Key to this role is the use and adaptation of curriculum materials that are appropriate to the Uniting Church ethos; coordinating and supporting volunteer teachers and helpers and management of their involvement as well as the provision of timely and effective communication with families. If this sounds like you, please have a look at the position description or contact us for further information. **Applications close Friday 31st August 2018.**

Links <https://thegapuca.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/2018.06-PD-Vs2-Grow-Sunday-School-Coordinator.pdf>

For more information: Contact - Katherine Ruhle, Families' Pastor, Ph: 3300 2712 (office)

Mental Health First Aid Training – Brisbane 2 Day Mental Health First Aid

Mental health first aid is the help given to someone developing a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis. This first aid is given until appropriate professional treatment is received or until the crisis resolves. Participants will learn the signs and symptoms of these mental health problems, where and how to get help and what sort of help has been shown by research to be effective.

For more information:

Brisbane: 3-4 September 2018

BBQ Lunch Fundraiser – John Flynn Foundation Supporting Frontier Services Saturday 25th August 2018, Chermside Kedron Community Church, 12.30 pm

Come for free BBQ lunch and hear about the John Flynn Foundation which supports the work of Frontier Services. Guest speaker is Karama Loapo, Bush Chaplain in the Kennedy Remote Area.

At Chermside Kedron Community Church, 590 Gympie Road, Chermside.

RSVP Wednesday 22 August 2018 to Shirley at the CKCC office on 3350 4302 (9 to 2 Monday to Friday).

For more information [click here](#) or go to: www.ckcc.org.au

Volunteers for Birdsville Races 26th August – 3rd September 2018

For more information [click here](#)

Advanced Care Planning, Enduring Powers of Attorney, Wills -Seminar Tuesday 28th August 2018, 10.00 am – 12 noon

Merthyr Road Uniting Church

For more information and rsvp [click here](#)

COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

Arts, Spirituality, Care for our Common Home

A Workshop on the Care of Creation @Santa Teresa, Ormiston

Saturday 1st September 8:30am-3pm

This workshop will be held at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston, from 8.30am to 3pm on Saturday 1st September. The theme will be ***Care for Our Common Home*** (Creation), with God and Creation, Wisdom and Creation, and Love and Creation providing the foci for the sessions.

The inspiration for the day is Pope Francis' *Laudato Si' – On Care for Our Common Home*, An Encyclical Letter on Ecology and Climate.

Peter Hunter will lead reflections on several of his iconic style paintings and **Rev Douglas Jones** will offer reflections on Scriptures relating to *Laudato Si'*. Participants will thus have the opportunity to contemplate iconic style art, listen to stories, reflect on Scripture, and pray in service of care for our common home, the earth.

The Workshop has been accredited by Brisbane Catholic Education as a five hour contribution towards teacher's Professional Development.

Registrations close on Friday 24th August. Enquiries, including requests for a flyer for the workshop, can be made to Peter Hunter at peterandhelen190@hotmail.com or phone 3286 1494.

This workshop is being held on the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and marks the beginning of the Season of Creation which runs through until 4th October. The Workshop provides a wonderful opportunity to celebrate that Day of Prayer and begin the Season of Creation in an intentional way.

For more information [click here](#)

The Order of Jacob's Well (Australia) – 2018 Annual Gathering; Sat 1st September 9:15am-4:30pm Broadwater Rd Uniting Church

Kingdom Here: Kingdom Now – Discovering the Kingdom in our Midst.

All welcome for a time of Teaching and Fellowship, finishing with a Healing Service. Attendance is free and morning and afternoon tea is provided. Pre-purchase lunch is available for \$15.

To register: jacobswell@ozemail.com.au or [click here](#) for online registration.

Contact Jennifer 0418 181 634; Lisa 0419 705 955 or Penny 0403 707 252 for any further information/enquiries.

"Understanding Your Kids and Their Digital Life" Seminar

Wednesday 12 September 2018, Merthyr Road Uniting Church, 6.00 pm

For more information and rsvp [click here](#)

The Great Outback BBQ – Fundraiser for the Outback

Saturday 22nd September 2018, 11.00 am

Living Faith Uniting Church, 330 Pine Mountain Road, Carina Heights

For more information [click here](#)

COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

2018 Uniting Women Conference – Still open!

27-30 September 2018, Brisbane

"Weaving Wisdom and Wonder"

For more information and to register [click here](#)



"Blue Care Live Well Centre" expands services from August

Blue Care's new Live Well Centre is in the final stages of preparation to provide expanded services to people living in the Caboolture community, from August.

For more information [click here](#)

2018 Redcliffe Uniting Church Community Fund

Since 2012 the Redcliffe Uniting Community Fund has given away more than \$200,000 to Uniting Church congregations in Qld to Strengthen Families, Engage Community and Nurture Faith. It is a fund made up of bequests from past members, friends of Redcliffe Uniting Church. It is established to show and tell the Good News of Jesus through generosity and good works.

To find out more [click here](#)

Presbytery of The Downs – Positions Vacant

The Presbytery of The Downs (Old Synod) is seeking ordained or lay people to partner and lead with the Maranoa congregations (three based in and around Roma). The placement is currently o.6.

The congregations are ecumenically active, and have commitment to ministry and sharing faith in their situations. They are looking for someone with community engagement skills, pastoral and worship skills, with the capacity to relate the Gospel to people of all kinds.

The placement is based in Roma and would suit an active couple or individual, who is seeking to express their ministry skills and work with the leadership to sustain current mission initiatives as well as address emerging community needs.

Inquiries from ordained or lay people can be directed to Neil Thorpe, The Downs Presbytery Minister tdpresb.min@gmail.com or 07 4638 9989.

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Our Cunnamulla Burke & Wills Patrol role continues to sit vacant.

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Spiritual Direction – Pastor Jeff Lawrence

Spiritual Direction:- all of us need someone to companion us as a guide and mentor on the spiritual journey, especially those of us in ministry. Pastor Jeff Lawrence is a trained and accredited spiritual director, with experience as a mentor for pastors. Jeff is available and can be contacted on 0421 337 431 or at jeffrlawrence@optusnet.com.au

For fact sheet [click here](#)

Soul to Soul 2018 – A Contemplative Bushwalking Retreat for Men 19-21 October 2018, Binna Burra

For more information and to register [click here](#)

Matters Vital to the Life of the Church Article by Andrew F Dutney

[Click here](#)

Retreat – “Discerning with Wisdom and Wonder” - Adelaide Sunday 7th – Tuesday 9th October 2018

An opportunity for refreshment and quiet in the beautiful surrounds of The Monastery (15 Cross Road Glen Osmond, Adelaide) and a great use of your left-over study leave. Suitable for clergy and lay people.

Dates : Sunday afternoon 7th October - Tuesday afternoon 9th October. Input from Rev Jenny Tymms and Sharonne Price on "Discerning with Wisdom and Wonder".

Great accommodation, fabulous food, and even better company. A treat of a t retreat. For more information, [click here](#) for brochure, or go to: <http://www.mediacomeshop.org.au/retreat/>