



**Moreton Rivers
Presbytery**

Newsletter

20th February 2019

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

KEEPING IN TOUCH:



Like us on Facebook



Moreton Rivers Presbytery Website
www.moretonriverspresbytery.org.au



Kathy: office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au



Jill: adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au



Uniting Church in Australia (Qld Synod) Website



Office phone number: +61 7 3366 0236

WHAT'S on:

-  Registrations Open for Semester 1 Learning for Living. Commencing 28 Feb Moreton Rivers Presbytery
-  Youth Combine Event Friday 8 March – "Let's Bowl"
-  "Transitions" Womens Gathering Saturday 9 March Chermside Community Church
-  Safe Ministry with Children Training (no Ministry Agents) Saturday 30 March 2019 Caboolture Uniting Church

[SUBMIT AN ENTRY FOR THE NEWSLETTER](#)

PRESBYTERY NEWS:

Prayer and Pastoral Concerns

Please pray for the Saint Luke's Hamilton Uniting Church, Rev Christine Digby and the church community as they minister to those in their community.

Please pray for Chaplains ministering in age care facilities, for their ministry to residents, families and staff.

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

Farewell but not Goodbye to Jill Bow

Jill Bow will be leaving the Moreton Rivers Presbytery Office to take up a role at the Qld Synod Office – Personal Assistant Office and Events. Her last day with the Moreton Rivers Presbytery team will be Thursday 28th February 2019. Jill has been with the Presbytery team for four years and she will miss the team but will be working with the Presbytery team on some events at the Qld Synod Office so it is not Goodbye !

Nominations for Presbytery Property Convenor (urgent)

The Resourcing Committee is currently looking for a Property Convenor. This position involves attending 5 committee meetings during the year as well as some involvement with presbytery property management. If you could like to nominate please [click here](#)

Safe Ministry with Children Audit – Due Now !

If your congregation hasn't submitted the relevant documents please [click here](#) for the letter from the General Secretary of the Queensland Synod.

Please submit your documents to Jill Bow at adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au asap.

MORETON RIVERS PRESBYTERY WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

Don't forget to visit our website: www.moretonriverspresbytery.org.au

For all the latest news, information and registration for training courses, camps and events !

We try to maintain up to date information on our website, if you find something that is out of date, please let us know and we will make sure it is updated.



Like us on Facebook and follow us!



PRESBYTERY NEWS: *Continued*

MRP COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

12 th March	Pastoral Relations Committee Meeting
19 th March	Standing Committee Meeting
21 st March	Educating & Equipping Committee Meeting
28 th March	Resourcing Committee Meeting

NEXT PRESBYTERY MEETING: Wednesday 27th February 2019, 4.30 pm,
Chermside Kedron Community Church [click here](#) for registration.

Next 2019 Newsletter: Wednesday 6th March 2019
Submissions due: Monday 4th March 2019

Presbytery Items for **Sale** !



One large screen – free



One electronic
whiteboard \$200



Bags of Creek Pebble Stones \$5.00 per bag



For more information contact the Presbytery Office on 3366 0236 or office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au

PRESBYTERY NEWS: *Continued*

QLD SYNOD NEWS:



Moderator's Community Service Medal

The Queensland Synod of The Uniting Church recognises the wonderful work of volunteers through the Moderator's Community Service Medal.

The Moderator's Medal is presented to individuals who have contributed in an outstanding way to the Uniting Church's mission in community services.

This year we are again looking for nominations that truly reflect the mission of UnitingCare: ***Bringing life in all its fullness through improving the health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities as we: Reach out to people in need; Speak out for fairness and justice; Care with compassion, innovation and wisdom.***

Nominees must:

- be a volunteer for a community service activity of Uniting Church (past or present)
- have exhibited outstanding service over a number of years.

Nominations are open and can be submitted electronically via the UnitingCare Queensland website www.unitingcareqld.com.au/moderators-medal.

Nominations close on **Friday, 5 April**. Recipients will have their awards presented locally in their community.

Should you require more information about the nomination process, please contact Sarina Vanderplas on 07 32534733 or sarina.vanderplas@uhealth.com.au.

Letter from the Moderator – Consultation Process and Forums – Assisted Dying

To view letter and Consultation Forums [click here](#)

Consultation Paper – Assisted Dying

To view the paper [click here](#)

Scroll down to the next section: Youth and Childrens' News

YOUTH AND CHILDREN NEWS:

2019 Youth Combine Events !

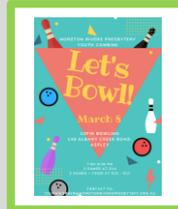
For dates and information: [click here](#)



First Youth Combine Event for the Year !

8 March 2019, "Let's Bowl"

For more information: [click here](#)



Safe Ministry with Children Training (no Ministry Agents)

Saturday 30 March 2019, 9.00 am – 11.00 am

Caboolture Uniting Church, Cnr King St & Smith's Rd, Caboolture

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



Easter Madness 2019 ! – Registrations now open !

12 – 15 April 2019, Alexandra Park Conference Centre

This year Easter Madness will be held at Alexandra Park Conference Centre. Price for early-bird registration is \$199 (\$249 for standard registration).

So start promoting, encouraging, saving and fundraising for this great opportunity for your youth (grade 7-12) to be part of a weekend of discipleship and community building.

For more information go to: <https://eastermadness.com.au/>

Day Camp 2 – 5 July 2019 !

Two venues: Triple C Camp Site Cedar Creek and Pine Rivers Uniting Church

More information and online registration coming soon !



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

EDUCATION NEWS:

***Learning for Living 2019 – Registrations Open Now !
Commencing 28 February 2019 – Semester 1 – "Talking about God 1"***

If you are interested in enrolling or would like to find out more [click here](#)



Scroll down to the next section: [Community Notices](#)

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Ways You Can Support the ORCA Project

For more information [click here](#)



"Cultivating Faith That Lasts in our Young People" 2 Day Seminar & Workshop with Jake Mulder

Friday 22nd February – Saturday 23rd February 2019

Real Life Christian Church (formerly Logan Uniting Church)

129 Dennis Road, Springwood

A great opportunity to explore how we can create environments and culture that help young people find faith and stick with it for a lifetime.

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



Depression & Anxiety Free Information Morning

Tuesday 26th February 2019, Merthyr Road Uniting Church,

New Farm, 10.00 am – 12 noon

Better understand these health issues and learn some practical tips for those providing support for sufferers. For more information and rsvp [click here](#).



Brisbane City Annual World Day of Prayer Service for 2019

Friday 1st March 2019, 10.00 am, Saint John's Cathedral, 373 Ann St, Brisbane

For more information [click here](#)

COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

"Transitions" Women's Gathering – Register Now !
Saturday 9th March 2019, 9.00 am – 5.00 pm
Chermside Kedron Community Church

For more information and to register [click here](#)
 For direct link to the website [click here](#)



Responding to Domestic & Family Violence – Half Day Training Event
Saturday 9th March 2019, 9.00 am – 1.00 pm
St Andrew's Anglican Church Caloundra, 46 Upper Gay Tce, Kings Beach, Cost \$30.00

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

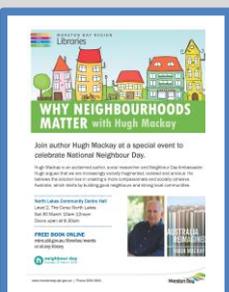
St Paul's Anglican Church Ashgrove and Ashgrove Dance Studio Community Fete
Saturday 23 March 2019 9.30 am – 3.00 pm, 10 Jubilee Terrace Ashgrove



All funds raised will go towards significant improvements to our community hall which is used not only by Ashgrove Dance but other community groups as well.

We are asking for donations of items or vouchers for raffles, prizes or to invite you to consider setting up a stall on the day with a donations towards our community hall project.

For further information contact Rev Tiffany Sparks on Ph: (07) 3366 2320 or email: tiffany.sparks@stpaulsashgrove.org.au or Wendy Lowe Ashgrove Dance Studio Ph: 0407675230 or email: ashgrovedancestudio@gmail.com



"Why Neighbourhoods Matter "
Presented by Hugh Mackay – Free Seminar !
Saturday 30 March 2019, 10.00 am – 12 noon (Door opens 9.30 am)
The Lakes Community Centre Hall, Level 2 The Corso North Lakes
 For more information and to book online [click here](#)

COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

GodlyPlay Australia 6-8 April 2019 Chermside Kedron Community Church

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



The Gap Uniting Church – Autumn Fair Saturday 27th April 2019, 10.00 am – 3.00 pm

More information coming soon.

The Gap Uniting Church – Garage Sale Saturday 12th October 2019, 6.00 am – 12 noon

More information coming soon.

Religious Instruction Teachers Needed within Schools in Moreton Rivers Presbytery (Urgent)

If you are interested please contact Kathy Wright at the Presbytery Office on (07) 3366 0236 or email: office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au

Trinity College Queensland Activate Gap Year Program

For more information [click here](#)



COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

POSITIONS VACANT:



Administration Officer – Casual

Moreton Rivers Presbytery Office, 22 Ashgrove Av, Ashgrove

20 - 25 hours per week, Monday – Friday 9 am – 2 pm (negotiable)

This role supports the Youth and Childrens' Ministry Coordinator and Mission Development Officer in the Presbytery team as well as the Educating and Equipping Committee and at times the Presbytery Minister and Office Manager.

For more information contact Kathy Wright on (07) 3366 0236 or email: office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au

[Click here](#) to request a position description. **Applications close: Friday 1st March 2019.**



UnitingWorld
connecting communities for life

UNITINGWORLD SEEKS BOARD MEMBER WITH FUNDRAISING SKILLS

Be part of something much bigger than yourself.

Contribute to work that transforms lives.

Serve church and community with your unique skills.

UnitingWorld is the agency of the Uniting Church in Australia (UCA) driving international church partnerships to address poverty, injustice and violence. It is funded by faithful supporters in the UCA and accredited to distribute aid funds from the Australian Government.

The UnitingWorld Board is a skill-based body drawn from various sectors of the Uniting Church and beyond, and is responsible for the governance of the agency. We're seeking a person with professional fundraising experience to join the Board. Roles are also open on the Finance, Audit and Risk committee and International Programs committee.

For more information, or to express interest, contact Dr Andrew Glenn at

andrewroderickglenn@gmail.com

COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

POSITIONS VACANT: CONTINUED

UnitingCare Volunteers



Please contact the Volunteer Management team at volunteer@uccommunity.org.au if you are interested.

Volunteer Reception Support - UnitingCare Caboolture

The volunteer Reception Support role will support the delivery of services by assisting with a range of reception & administrative functions: Provide professional welcome to staff, volunteers, clients & visitors. Operate MITEL phone system providing professional first impression. Refer & respond to all enquiries, record & distribute messages. Assist with managing office appointments. Provide administrative assistance - document collation & circulation, record keeping, data entry, archiving.



Volunteering Opportunities – Can You Help?

We need your help to support those doing it tough in remote Australia. We are receiving many calls for help from our fellow Aussies doing it tough.

You can volunteer now and lend that practical hand and make a difference in the lives of one of these families. Please call 1300 787 247 for more information. We look forward to hearing from you!

Website: www.outbacklinks.com.au/locations

Bookkeeping Assistance - Congregations

Monique Bartlett has offered bookkeeping services to congregations. She is available on Thursdays and Fridays (also evenings).

For more information call Monique on Ph: 0413 477 923 or email: monique.bartlett@hotmail.com

COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

Calling all Caravanners, Campers and those who enjoy the Great Outdoors and are part of the Inner Ring Group of Churches.

If you are part of the Inner Ring Churches of the Moreton Rivers Presbytery and are interested in sharing the Great Outdoors we are asking if you would be interested in being part of an Inner Ring Camping group. This is another way for members of Inner Ring Churches to get to know each other and to share experiences and fun with others who have a common interest.

Tim and Allison are avid caravanners as are Dellvene and myself, who are part of the Ashgrove West Congregation. We are sure there would be many others who have similar interests and would be happier camping in the company of others. Possibly we only look at four weekends a year and camp sites ranging from camping parks, showgrounds, farm stays and other places of interest that always come.

If you are interested please email your details to the presbytery office, so we can get back to you and arrange an initial cuppa at a central location. Looking forward to hearing from you all soon.

Cal & Dellvene Hanton
Ashgrove West Uniting Church.