



Caloundra Uniting

15/11/20

In the recent Queensland election, Labour has won Caloundra. No doubt that's good or bad depending on where you sit. But what I was surprised to learn was that Caloundra had been a thoroughly Liberal encampment for 100 years. So I'm not writing today about politics, I am writing today about culture.

Our Churches for the most part are their own little cultural silos. We have values, beliefs, even language and customs that are thoroughly our own. What's tricky about that, is that it was only a few decades ago that our Church culture wasn't too dissimilar to the culture outside of the Church.

Just as the change in Caloundra's politics is a sign of change in the voting and values culture of our city, we also need to recognise that the culture of the Church and society are now foreign to each other.

By that what I mean is that what people understand Church to be has changed. What they are looking for from Churches (if indeed they are looking at all) has changed.

But our Churches haven't. So too often Churches find themselves gradually fading away.

Our challenge is to wrestle with the context of our city. To ensure we understand who lives here, who they are and what they value, so we can continue to communicate the Gospel to them in a way that matters.

Services are at 8 a.m. and 9.30 a.m.

Please register your intent to come to worship to the office and be added to the lists. If you are **planning** to be away please let the office know.

Devotions are still available online at 9.30 a.m.

<https://www.facebook.com/CaloundraUC/>

ADULT FELLOWSHIP Christmas Lunch will be held at the Caloundra Power Boat Club on **Thursday 19th November** commencing at 11am. Cost \$25-. Members are reminded that Prayer Partner Christmas cards will be exchanged that day. May Thomas – President



Everything in Common Gifts – UnitingWorld - looking beyond ourselves at Christmas.

Theme: Gifts that Fight Poverty and Bring Hope.

Gift Cards providing money for the purchase of chickens (\$10), school books (\$15) Clean Water (\$30) Goats (\$50) and so on!

Purchase on-line at www.everythingincommon.com.au.

Or follow these steps:

Take a catalogue, choose cards . Place order at the display table at church

Order filled Collect and pay. Card preferred, or right money in cash

Further information from Judy & Alan M 5499 7876

Social Justice

A reminder of the next meeting on Wednesday the 18th at 2.30 p.m.

New members most welcome at Patricia Wood's home, Unit 17,

Adventist Retirement Village, 64 Sunset Dr. Little Mountain.

DEMENTIA INFORMATION

November:

Catch-up Cuppa, Thursday, 12th November, at RSL Nambour.

10.15 start. For people with dementia and the carer (paid or unpaid)

December:

Dementia Information Day (DID): Thursday, 10th December, at CWA

Hall, Nambour, 10 am - 12 noon. Christmas theme. Speaker on

considering Christmas and holiday planning. Agnes from Continen

Australia will speak about support on continence, a topic requested by carers.



Thank you to those who have helped deliver the bulletins, it has made a big difference to the postage bill each week!



Alan & Judy M and Sandy Nolde at the AGM of Caloundra Community Centre. We support them through the Open Pantry and Orange Sky Laundry Breakfasts.

Open Pantry

Goods are still much needed – please think of it as you shop each week and add a tin or two to leave in the basket at church. With the Christmas season approaching the needs are greater.



mainly music

Congratulations to us as it's the 10th anniversary since we started! We are smaller due to Covid and slightly different in format but enjoy contact with our families, making friendships and encouraging their knowledge of the presence of God in their lives.

Weekly:

Sundays 2 pm Bible Study at the church. Rev. Matt 0402 204831

Tuesdays 10am - 12noon Art Group in the Weyer Room.
Brenda 0408 467 072

Wednesdays 9.30 am Devotion/Prayer in the church .
Rev. Matt 0402 204 831

Fridays 8.45 & 10.45 mainly music, weekly again!

2nd & 4th Wednesdays each month 3Cs (Coffee Craft and Chat) in the Weyer Room Contact Margaret G 0407 628 452

2nd & 4th Thursday 9.30 – 11.30 am Uniforms for Kids in the Hall
Contact Pam 0408 011 908

3rd Thursday 9.30am Adult Fellowship
Contact May T. 5492 8212

happy
birthday

Congratulations to Keith Jones

90 on the 15th

And to Barbara Bailey

80 on the 19th.

**Today, unlock the chambers of your heart
and ask God to enter in.**

His presence will transform your life.

Next week's lectionary readings.

**Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24, Psalm 100, Ephesians 1:15-23,
Matthew 25:31-46.**

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