

Offerings to Middle Ridge Uniting Church:

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Offering prayer

Gracious God, bless gift and giver to the service of your reign, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Second Offering October

Orange Sky provides clean clothes, warm showers and most importantly, non-judgmental conversation. Thanks to 2,500 dedicated volunteers, we provide over 340 opportunities for connection each week across Australia, for people doing it tough.



Rosters - Being part of the life of the church			
	6 October	13 October	20 October
Preaching	Rev Bruce Warren	Margaret S, Linda A, Brigitte S	Rev Bruce Warren
Data Preparation	Ross Brown	Bob Burgess	Karen Kong
Data operator	Ross Brown	Bob Burgess	William Clarke
Sound Operator	Glenn Adamson	Glenn Adamson	Matthew Skerman
Camera Operator	Nicole/Paul Irwin	Doug Spinks	Glenn Adamson
Elder	Paul Fuller	Linda Adamson	Brigitte Sheraton
Song Leader	Lisa Christensen	Wes Jones	Wes Jones
Music	Lorraine Fuller	Elizabeth Crook	
Welcome	Linda Adamson	Marg Spinks	Ray Kirkman
Morning Tea	Christine Gilshenan, Kay Fritz	Bill & Brigitte Sheraton	Kaye Kirkman, Margaret Anderton

Congregation Contacts

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Lectionary Readings

October 6 - Questions along the way

Job 1:1, 2:1-10, Psalm 26,

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12, Mark 10:2-16

October 13 - Finding our way

Job 23:1-9, 16-17, Psalm 22:1-15, Hebrews

4:12-16, Mark 10:17-31

This week's lectionary readings are challenging. There might be a natural inclination to avoid the difficult conversations that these readings can spark, but if we rejected all of the difficult passages, we would miss an opportunity to grow deeper in our trust with God and with each other. How can you create a safe atmosphere to have radical conversations about the painful issues?

As we wrestle with tough questions, and uncertain answers, grant us the courage to ask what is on our hearts, and the loving-kindness to empathize with opinions we do not understand. Amen.



6 October 2024

Middle Ridge News

We rejoice in meaningful relationships with God, ourselves and the community.

Living out our values of Faith, Love, Courage and Gratitude.



God's Law and our Testimony

Our God is faithful,
God's love is steadfast.

Mark 7 shows examples of Jesus healing and the people were amazed and said "Everything he does is wonderful."

How can we share God's Love and Faithfulness in our testimony?

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.

1 Peter 3:15

Divine Author of our faith,
 We come before You seeking renewal,
 For ourselves and for Your church.
 In the pages of Scripture,
 Lie eternal treasures waiting to be found.
 Draw us back, O Lord, to these unchanging truths,
 Hidden like precious gems in ancient words.
 Open our eyes to see with fresh wonder,
 The wisdom that has guided generations.
 Renew our hearts, refresh our spirits,
 As we uncover Your eternal message.
 May Your church be revived and transformed,
 By rediscovering the riches of Your Word
 And the fullness of Your life.
 Lead us in this journey of rediscovery,
 That we may be changed by Your unchanging love,
 And bear Your unchanging love to the world.
 Amen.

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Seeking Synod Representative

The 38th Synod in Session is scheduled for 16th - 19th May 2025 at Alex Park. Nominations are now being sought from congregation members to be a part of this gathering in the life of the Church. If you are interested please contact Paul Fuller.

Markets For Mission

Saturday, 23rd November 2024

7am - 1pm

Supporting



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Crafts, Cakes, Plants,
 Bric-a-Brac, Books,
 Sausage Sizzle, Café

Markets planning meeting Tuesday 8th October 11am

Small Groups Matter

You are invited to our **Small Groups Matter** evening Monday 14 October 2024 from 7pm to 9pm in the Church foyer.

DESSERT WILL BE PROVIDED!

This invitation is open to Anyone and is an opportunity to:-

- ◆ Share your thoughts about Small Groups;
- ◆ Help us review the Faith Runs Deep series (what did you think?)
- ◆ And talk with each other about sharing your faith - the many ways - (and it's not just by talking that we do that).

Please RSVP to Marg Spinks 0400710277 or spinks63@bigpond.net.au and advise of **any dietary exclusions**.

Weekly Activities

- Sundays 9.00am **Church Service all ages included**
- Mondays 1:30pm **Monday Bible Study** (Zoom)
Margaret Spinks 0400 710 277
- Tuesday 9.30am **Praying for the life of the Church**
in Church Foyer All Welcome
Ray Kirkman , Kay Fritz
- Tuesday 7pm **Tuesday Evening Bible Study** (Zoom)
Linda Adamson 46370065
- Wednesday 9am for 9.30 **Wednesday Ladies Bible Study**
Contact Jo Cox 0409 620 993
- Thursdays 7.30pm **Blake's Discipleship Group** (Zoom)
Alan Skerman 0437 771 324

THANK YOU Today let's celebrate our technical volunteers who prepare and project the PowerPoint slides, make sure we can hear the service, and broadcast the livestream on YouTube each week. Thank you for your devotion to these tasks and for using your gifts of ministry.

Fundraising Opportunity - End of year concerts.

Home baking and beverage making / serving will be appreciated for running a café on Saturday 7 December and Tuesday 3 December.

New On the Noticeboard / brochure stand

Scripture Union News.

Helen Early Ensemble - Journey to Bethlehem at St Pauls 30 November 7.30pm \$12-\$25. *Must book.*



Faith Runs Deep

There is still time to access the subscription to view the episodes, stories of faith from history and present day Australians please see Margaret Spinks for the code to log in.

September's second offering supported Protea Place.

As well as some direct donations, we have sent \$659.50 to help Protea Place provide support, dignity and safety to vulnerable women facing homelessness or fleeing domestic violence.



Couples and Friends

Next Gathering - **Friday 11 October 9.30am**

Contact Margaret or Bob Burgess 4636 1861