Offerings to Middle Ridge Uniting Church:

Bank Account Details for direct giving:-Accnt Name: UCA Middle Ridge UC BSB: 034142 Account No: 144021 Ref: Offering



Offering prayer

Receive us God, and what we offer to you now. May it help to bring about your realm on Earth. 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				
	20 October	27 October	3 November	
Preaching	Rev Bruce Warren	Rev Bruce Warren	Rev Bruce Warren	
Data Preparation	Karen Kong	Marg Spinks		
Data operator	William Clarke	Louise Bland		
Sound Operator	Matthew Skerman	Lukas Christensen		
Camera Operator	Glenn Adamson	Glenn Adamson		
Elder	Brigitte Sheraton	Linda Adamson		
Song Leader	Wes Jones	Lisa Christensen		
Music	Greg Bland	Jason Pelcher	Greg Bland	
Welcome	Ray Kirkman	Gay & Grahame Colyer	Linda Adamson	
Morning Tea	Kaye Kirkman, Margaret Anderton	Cherryl Gilchrist, Kay Fritz	Ali Trappett, Judith Gibbins	

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Lectionary Readings

Sunday October 20 Job 38:1-7, (34-41), Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c Hebrews 5:1-10, Mark 10:35-45

Sunday October 27

Job 42:1-6, 10-17, Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22) Hebrews 7:23-28, Mark 10:46-52

A New Way

God both comforts us and invites us out of our comfort zones. To be close to God is to recognize that God calls us to serve others, to extend ourselves beyond our own desires. To be close to God is to recognize the majesty and wonder of God's creation, to be humbled by God's glory.

God of mystery and majesty, you call all life into being. Call us to the places where we may best serve you. Call us to the service where we may follow you most closely. Amen.



20 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.



All About Neighbours

"Now go and do the same"

Luke 10:37

Church Council Snippets October 2024 Nominations are still sought, but closing soon, for anyone interested in attending Synod meeting in May 2025.

Faith Runs Deep studies have been enjoyed by the various bible study groups. The link to view this study is still available for those wishing to take part individually.

Financial books have been provided to the auditor. Reports will be made available at the next Congregational meeting to be held on Sunday, 17 November.

Last Coffee and catch up was enjoyed by many. Next one is to be held on Saturday 9th November at Café 63 Herries Street.

Second Offering for October to support Orange Sky, November - Frontier Services and December - Christmas Bowl.

New tenant to use premises on Monday mornings and Wednesday evenings for music and movement therapy.

Toowoombells (and friends) 'Christmas Together' concert will be held at MRUC Saturday 7th December 2024 at 2pm. Tickets: <u>https://www.trybooking.com/</u> <u>events/1295162/sessions/4940876/</u> <u>sections/2466171/tickets</u>

Much discussion was held regarding the current supply ministry by Rev Bruce Warren and plans / ideas for the future. A lack of funds would prevent the call of a full time or part-time minister. Further discussion regarding ministry and leading of services will continue and will be raised at the Congregational Meeting. Also discussed ways to best use our premises and the facilities that we have. How can we move from surviving to thriving?



Notice of Congregation Meeting

A meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday 17th November 2024 following the worship service.

Agenda items include:

- Receiving audited financial reports to June 2024.
- Election of Church Councillors and Elders.
- Future Ministry at Middle Ridge Uniting Church.

Nominations for Church Council and Elders are open now and will close 31 October 2024.

Nomination Forms are available at the welcome desk in the foyer.

Nominees will be announced on 3rd November.

Coffee Catch Up

You are invited to join in a time of friendship and morning tea

Saturday 9th November 10am

At Café 63 Eastville-Herries St

RSVP Ali Trappett 0407728493, Kay Fritz 0407655092

Weekly Activities

Sundays 9.00am	Church Service all ages included	
Mondays	Monday Bible Study (Zoom)	
1:30pm	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	Tuesday Evening Bible Study (Zoom)	
7pm	Linda Adamson 46370065	
Wednesday	Wednesday Ladies Bible Study	
9am for 9.30	Contact Jo Cox 0409 620 993	
Thursdays	Bloke's Discipleship Group (Zoom)	
7.30pm	Alan Skerman 0437 771 324	

October is Pastor Appreciation month

Your hands uplift, your voice inspires, Kindling our faith like sacred fires. Through your example, we clearly see The love of Christ for you and me.



From 'A Shepherd's Heart' Whole-in-one.com.au

The first question which the priest and the Levite asked was "If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me?" But... the good Samaritan reversed the question: "If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?"

Martin Luther King Jr

