

From Apelu

Bible Studies resume Wednesday, 30th of April. We will continue with a study of J.I Packer's book, Knowing God.

Mother's Day is the 11th of May. We value and celebrate our mothers, including the ladies who did not experience motherhood but performed motherly roles in their lives

From Church Council

Well, Anzac Day has passed so we know the cold weather is on its way; we are moving from the risk of getting heat stroke to the risk of getting frost bite! The joys of our variable seasons!

Last month was dominated by the Easter services. As in recent years, we had a series of half hour services in the chapel on the Monday to Wednesday evenings of Holy Week, reflecting on the events leading up to the crucifixion. Thanks to Robyn for organising these services. Thursday night we had a 'passover meal' of bread and lamb provided by Sue Camm (-thanks Sue-), followed by a Tenebrae service led by Apelu. The Good Friday service was followed on Easter Sunday by a (chilly) sunrise service at 6:30 am (followed by a cup of tea and a hot cross bun to warm us up!) and our 9:30 am Easter Sunday celebration of Christ's resurrection (with Easter eggs supplied by the Worship Committee). Thanks to Apelu for all his work in preparing for the Thursday, Friday and Sunday services and to all those who were able to share in some, or all, of these services to mark the most significant

week in the Christian calendar, when we focus most closely on God's overwhelming love for us.

We had another successful Jumble sale and Shed on Saturday 26 April, despite it being the Anzac Day long weekend, with total proceeds just short of \$1,600 – a great outcome. These events remain a very enjoyable and positive outreach to the community and Council is enormously grateful to the Jumble and Shed teams, guite a few of whom are not even members of our congregation. As everyone appreciates, these activities consume a good deal of time and energy from those involved and Council is very grateful for the generosity of these teams in collecting, sorting and selling goods (-including counting what seems like thousands of coins at the end of the morning!-) and in cooking and providing hospitality in the Shed. If you haven't been along to a Jumble morning recently, I encourage you to do so; its great fun.

Looking ahead, Council will be focussing on continued efforts to maintain and upgrade church property, guided by our dynamic property duo, Glen Crawley and Ruth Adams. Continued upgrades in the old buildings, renovation of the lighting in the 'new' church and landscaping the area between the old church and the hall following the drainage repairs are all on the agenda and we hope to report progress in the coming months.

Ian Robinson
On behalf of Church Council

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The next Jumble Sale for 2025 will be on Saturday 24 May.

The team sort goods on a Tuesday morning and are always looking for more helpers to assist.

For more information contact Greg Toone 0412 060 465 or visit

www.quc.org.au/support/jumble-sale

Thank you.....

Your recent contribution of stamps for sale by the committee is very much appreciated. We have just given \$24,000 in grants to congregations in NSW and the ACT.

Uniting Church in Australia, Synod of NSW & ACT Stamp Committee

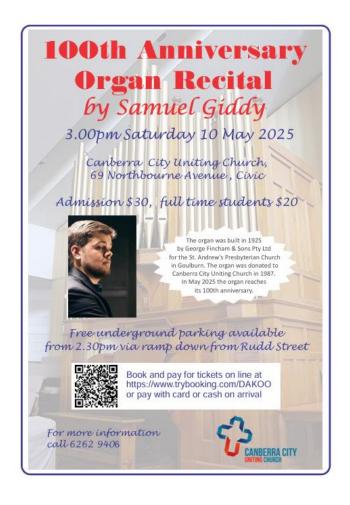


Christians Single Group

10 May, 1pm – picnic & trivia at Wanniassa Park (near Hungry Jacks)

29 May- Bring a friend 80's dress up (details TBC)

For more information call Sue on 0401 219 173.



Bennie's Food Basket



Congregation members are invited to bring along a grocery item or two each week to be placed in a basket at the church. Once a month these items are passed on to St Benedict's.

Bennies has provided the following advice;
UHT milk, CEREAL (only Weetbix, cornflakes &
Rice bubbles), tinned tuna large or small,
Spaghetti and Baked beans, 2 min noodles,
Pasta; Spaghetti or Spiral, Baby food or formula.
But DEFINITELY NO tinned beans or lentils.

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Regular Ministries of QUC

Ministry	When	Contact
Bible Studies and Small Groups	Various times, weekly or fortnightly.	Apelu Tielu
Jumble Sale	One Saturday per month (usually the 4 th), 9am-12pm.	Greg Toone
Pastoral Care		Grace Tielu
Sunday Morning Worship	Sundays, 9:30am.	Apelu Tielu
The Shed	Same dates as Jumble Sale.	

If your ministry group's details are missing, or incorrect, please email news@quc.org.au to correct them for the next newsletter.



Your generous giving helps us fulfil our vision and mission – locally, nationally and internationally. There are a number of ways you can regularly give and/or make a once-off donation.

1. **Direct Giving** (encouraged) - is giving that you arrange with your own bank (can normally be set-up as weekly, fortnightly, monthly or annually) into:

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- 2. Cash (or Cheque) offering put in the offering box each Sunday.
- 3. **Weekly Envelopes** cash (or cheque) put in the offering box each Sunday before or after worship. The envelopes are freely available to be picked-up from the back table at the church.

For more information visit www.quc.org.au/giving



Church Office (by appointment)

For general enquiries (including <u>room use/hire</u>) please see our webpage <u>www.quc.org.au</u>

You can contact our **Minister** Apelu Tielu 0409 550 088 or email minister@quc.org.au. Apelu works from the church office on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Please check with him a suitable time.

Chair Church Council email council@quc.org.au



If you can't make it to church, you can join us on Zoom via this link.

To access the service, you will need to have a Zoom account and be logged in.

Next Newsletter

Contributions for the June 2025 newsletter are due by Sunday 25 May for publication Sunday 1 June 2025. Email to news@quc.org.au.

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