

The Uniting Church in Australia Warwick, Killarney & Freestone Uniting Parish



Sunday 3rd August 2025

Welcome to worship as we continue to journey with the disciples after the crucifixion on this eighth Sunday after Pentecost. May God bless us today as we join online or in the pew. Please stay to share a chat and cuppa.



Can the words of today's gospel resonate in your life to experience what it means to be "rich toward God," for to be truly "rich toward God" requires a change of attitude towards everything we have as a blessing from above and treasure those blessings by sharing them generously. As the great American comedian Bob Hope said, "If you haven't got any charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble."

How we use water and food, our money and resources, our care of all of creation, we can be "rich toward God" by becoming more responsible stewards of what we have been blessed with, which is true and personal when we realize that our abundance must be protected, cared for and properly distributed.

Let us pray. Lord, you have blessed us with so much! We are truly grateful. Let us never fall become wasteful or overly preoccupied with storing up for ourselves what is not truly necessary, let us use everything you have blessed us as a blessing for others. May your generosity toward us make us generous toward all, especially those in greatest need. Amen.

Worship Services

Sunday 3rd August

- 8:30am Killarney HC
- 9:30am Warwick

- mainly music



Sunday 10th August

- 8:30am Killarney combined at Anglican Church
- 9:30am Warwick WillowTree37



Happy birthday to you this week:

Anne Coy — 4 August Kristina Christensen — 6 August Jenny Lane — 10 August



At our Church Council meeting on Thursday 7th August, we are viewing an online seminar: **Beyond compliance: Embedding**

safeguarding culture in working with children and vulnerable adults. (1

hour)

This training is mandatory and all blue card holders are required to undergo External Training each year. This screening will start at 7pm and you are invited to join us and register your training.

For those who are unable to join us on 7th another date in mid-August will be available – but this training is a requirement for all blue card holders.

Readings

Sunday 3rd August

Hosea 11: 1 – 11
Psalm 107: 1 – 9, 43
Colossians 3: 1 – 11
Luke 12: 13 – 21

Sunday 10th August

Isaiah 1:1, 10 – 20
Psalm 50: 1 – 8 & 22 – 23
Hebrews 11: 1 – 3, 8 – 16
Luke 12: 32 - 40

Allow the Gospel to challenge us and change us, with our lives shifting to sharing and giving.

Please note – there will be <u>no</u>
vehicular access to the Warwick
church site or WillowTree37 in the
coming weeks as additional car parks
are installed.

TWEATTT today

Stay a while and chat to someone you haven't talked to for a while. Find out what's happening in their world.



There will be a retiring offering for WillowTree37 next week.

Reflection...Luke 12:13-21...The Parable of the Barn Builder.

The background for this parable was an incident in Galilee when Jesus was teaching a large crowd. A young man wanted Jesus to intervene in a family squabble over an inheritance, but Jesus refused to be drawn into this. Instead, he dealt with the subject of our preoccupation with material things through the story of the Barn Builder, a highly successful farmer who had so much wheat that he was planning to build even bigger barns to hold it all. Alas, he died in the midst of his planning and lost it all.

He talked to himself...but never to his gracious God! He makes no connection between his good fortune and God's graciousness... or his responsibilities to share what God had showered him with. He never stops to consider what life is all about. God comes to that rich Barn Builder and says, "You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?"

The answer was clear! He had put all his trust in things and now he was leaving them behind. What is Jesus telling us? He calls us to see life from a different set of values from those of the world around us. He warns us against the obsession of materialism that takes over our lives and pushes aside the exploration of the precious nature of life...our inter relatedness with God, with one another, and with our world.

The Barn Builder threw all his energy into material prosperity and planned for a future time of self-indulgence. He never stopped to think about what he was missing along the way and how uncertain that future might be. From this parable, Jesus is calling us back to an awareness of the love of God and what is really important in our lives.

Shalom, Jean

Comments from some mainly music families:

Mainly music has done wonders for Millie's confidence around others and has introduced her to so many different ways to interact with music. I have loved the adult connections made at mm, many of which continue beyond Thursday mornings. We both look forward to mm every week. Thank you to all the truly wonderful volunteers.

mm is fabulous! Such a wonderful way to introduce our littlies to songs and stories about God and have fun – Nana Payne

We started in 2024 at 4 months of age and have been coming ever since. We look forward to music every Thursday and appreciate the welcoming space and volunteers.

We love our mainly music community. The connections and new friends we have made are wonderful. My daughter is only 19 months old and has learnt so many fun songs we love to sing at home - Sarah and Bonnie

At mainly music we have made new friends, learned to love music and learned about Jesus!

Care Corner

- In need of prayer, contact our Prayer Net Co-Ordinator Dianne Cahill. All requests are confidential. 0427 000 887
- Thank you for the weekly sessions where children and adults share the joy of being together, forming friendships and support networks.
- Thank you for the opportunity to be part of a programme through which children learn and develop participating in the music, expressing their imagination, hearing the stories making memories with special people in safety and comfort.
- Bless the volunteers who welcome the families, celebrate their good times and in stressful times give a listening ear and shoulder to cry on if needed.
- Pray for the monthly Akooramak service on Monday and for the faithful members of our congregation who share God's love through word and song.
- Give thanks for the dedication of the staff of hospitals and each of the aged care facilities whose kindness and patience are a comfort to patient and family.

What's Happening this Week?

4th August - 10th August

Hospitality: Group 1
Flowers: Alison Baistow

Monday 4th August

Ansie's non-contact day 10:30am - Akooramak

Tuesday 5th August

10am - 2pm WillowTree37

Wednesday 6th August

10am - Wednesday in Wesley

1pm - Wesley Bowls

3pm - Selah - Oak Tree

6pm - Intergen at Finch St

7pm – Beta Home group

Thursday 7th August

9:15am – Warwick mainly music 10am – 2pm WillowTree37 5pm - Killarney Girls' Brigade

Friday 8th August

9:00am – 12:00 pm – Courtyard Coffee

Flowers next week :

Marg Adcock

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