



BUNDABERG BAPTIST CHURCH

Family News

Thought for the Week

Our Heavenly Father

Today, as we celebrate Father's Day, we're grateful for the fathers and father figures among us—their love, sacrifice, care, and influence in our lives. We also recognise that Father's Day can bring many different emotions. For some, it is a joyful day of celebration; for others, it may bring sadness, grief, or longing. So today, let's celebrate together, care for one another, and remember that God meets us wherever we are.

When Jesus taught His disciples to pray, He began with two simple words: "Our Father." Through Jesus, we are invited into a relationship with God marked by access, intimacy, and confidence. We don't have to approach Him from a distance. We can come as His beloved children, knowing He loves us and wants us close.

Declare the truth about who you are in Christ and remind your soul that God is your help and hope. The Father deeply loves you and your eternal future is secure with him in heaven.

"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!" 1 John 3:1 (NIV)

What a blessing it is to call God Heavenly Father. Today let's draw near to Him with confidence and trust.

Adele Macpherson

ALPHA continues this week, RSVP NOW!

ALPHA is on again **Thursday 10 September at 6:30pm at the Sugarland Tavern!** There are a few ways you can get involved: as **group leaders, helpers, or with your prayers.** Please be continuing to invite people: who knows what God might do through one simple conversation.

Due to the increased cost of living and the change of venue, ALPHA will cost **\$20 per person each week**, which will cover a meal and dessert. If you would be willing to sponsor a meal for someone, please let us know. Your generosity could make a real difference in helping someone come along and experience ALPHA.

Please **RSVP to Gracee**, or the church office, **each week that you can attend.** Numbers are required by Sugarland Tavern a week ahead of time for the next ALPHA session. Let's be praying, inviting, and believing for what God is going to do through ALPHA!

EPICS Songs of Praise

You are warmly invited to come and enjoy an hour of well-known Hymns, Songs and Choruses on 08 September 2026. Bring along your singing voice and reminisce about the songs you love. Morning Tea at 9.30 am will precede the Music Program at 10.00 am. Please bring along a plate of food to share. We look forward to sharing with you in this time of Worship and Song. Be sure to invite your friends or family, or anyone you know who would enjoy this event.

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

Sunday 9.00 am and 6.00 pm

Our services can also be viewed online via YouTube.

DATE CLAIMERS

Prayer Meeting

7 September from 7.00 pm in the Church Hall

Apologetics

11 October during the PM Service

EPICS

08 September Songs of Praise

Kids Church and Youth Service

13 September

KIDS' MINISTRIES

Playtime

Every Friday 9.00 am – 10.30 am

JUMP

Every Friday 6.00 am – 7.30 pm

Youth Group

Every Friday 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm

Sunday School

Every Sunday 9.00 am – 10.30 am



REGULAR GATHERINGS

Tuesday Morning Devotion

Weekly on Tuesdays

6.30 am online via Zoom

Contact: Gayle Gardener

Young Adults Bible Study

Weekly on Tuesdays or Thursdays at 7.00 pm, contact for location details.

Contact: Shane Elson 0490 829 849

or Emmie Raffaut 0403 552 299

Wednesday Prayer Meeting

Weekly on Wednesdays

10.00 am at the church

Contact: Richard Cathie

Ladies & Gents Coffee Morning

Weekly on Thursdays

10.00 am at Café 1928, Botanic Gardens

Contact: Rose Anderson

AI-Anon Family Groups for Family and Friends of Problem Drinkers

Weekly on Fridays

10.00 am in the Church Hall

Contact: 1300 252 666

OFFERING UPDATE

Budgeted \$11,375.58

July \$10,754.78 (*actual per week*)

YTD \$10,754.78 (94.53%)

ONLINE GIVING

Bundaberg Baptist Church

BSB: 704-913

Account No: 400039426

PASTOR'S DAY OFF

Scott Daniels - Every Thursday

Richard Cathie - Every Friday

OFFICE HOURS

Monday 8.30 am - 1.00 pm

Tuesday 8.30 am - 1.00 pm

Wednesday 8.30 am - 1.00 pm

Thursday CLOSED

Friday 8.30 am - 1.00 pm

BAPTIST WORLD AID

QR code to give
to the Nepal
Flood Response



1 Thessalonians Series

We will be continuing our series on 1 Thessalonians today. Rachel Crush will be preaching in both services, with Gracee Orford preaching in the Youth PM service the following week.

Newcomers Event

I'M NEW ... WHAT'S NEXT?

Please feel welcome to attend a Newcomers' Event on 13 September after the AM service. This is for anyone who is new or has never attended one of these information and fellowship events.

Bring your lunch with you or grab something after the service and come back to join us. Find a spot in the playground area, enjoy lunch together and get to know some new faces. It's a great chance to ask questions and find out about the groups, ministries, activities, and opportunities available at Bundaberg Baptist Church.

Interested in Baptism?

On 13 September we will be witnessing a number of Baptisms. If you are interested or have questions about Baptism, there are welcome cards in the foyer you can complete, or you can speak to one of the Pastors. You can also contact the church office during office hours for more information.

Celebrating the Cathie Family

As we prepare to farewell Richard, Simone, Rachel and Laura Cathie, we have an opportunity as the Bundaberg Baptist Church community to say a heartfelt thank you for the many ways their family has loved, served and contributed to the life of our church over the past decade.

We are inviting our church community to contribute towards a farewell gift for the Cathie family. You are welcome to give whatever amount you feel comfortable with. If giving online, please use CATHIE26 as the reference.

Let's send them into this next season knowing just how much they are appreciated, valued and loved.

Senior Pastor recruitment

The recruitment process to find a new Senior Pastor has commenced. The role has been advertised through Christian Jobs Australia and the Queensland Baptist website. The church will be kept up to date with recruitment updates as milestones are met or new developments occur. If you have any questions, please raise them with a member of the Board or HR Subcommittee.

Please continue praying for our church, and for the heart and mind of our future Senior Pastor and their family.

Upcoming visiting guest speaker

On Sunday 20 September during both our AM and PM services, we will be joined by guest speaker Greg Guerrero, from Voice of the Martyrs.

Global Prayer for Nepal

Heavenly Father, we pray for the people of Nepal facing devastating disaster. Comfort those grieving, heal the injured, shelter the displaced, and strengthen rescuers and communities. Provide food, clean water, safety, and hope. May Your presence bring courage, peace, and restoration to all affected. Amen.

We are a family seeking to connect people with God and with each other.