

Nambour Retirement Village Services

NO VILLAGE SERVICE DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

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Service Roster
FOR TODAY
14th February 2021
TRANSFIGURATION
SUNDAY

Minister: Rev Graham Warne
Music: Rosemary
Readers: Jim Stewart, Betty Jenkins
Prayers: Rev Graham Warne
Data Projector: Alison Hall
Sound system: Eva Donaldson
Offering: Weekly retiring offering
Welcome: Our great welcoming team

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THE BIRTHDAY BOOK

17 Doreen Hetherington
18 Jeanette Warne
20 Joyce Killip

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Doreen, Jeanette & Joyce!!!

Please remember, attending worship affirms that you do not have COVID-19, or symptoms associated with COVID-19, or awaiting results from a COVID-19 test, or have been to a designated 'hotspot', or have not been in contact with any known or suspected cases of COVID-19, or that you have been in contact with anyone who has travelled from overseas in the past 14 days. Please be aware that persons aged 70 and over, and people with chronic medical conditions are at a greater risk of serious illness by involvement in public group places. We all must still be attentive to all guidelines directed by health professionals as much as we can.



Nambour Uniting Church

9AM Sunday Worship Service

We are called to be evidence of God's
love breaking into the world

Sunday 14th February 2021

How to Represent God's Presence? Mark 9:2-9

How does the story go? The teacher says to the boy, "What are you drawing?" The boy responds, "God." "But nobody knows what God looks like," says the teacher. "They will when I finish!" the boy replies.

From the beginning of human history, people have been trying to draw God's picture. They have taken the sun, moon or stars as representations of the divine. They have treated images carved out of stone or painted on a flat surface as representations of divinity. Michelangelo portrayed God as an old man with a beard.

In the Hebrew tradition, the presence of God was represented by light – dazzling, blinding light – and by cloud. They said that the Lord went ahead of the travelling Israelites as a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire at night. The story of the Transfiguration is an account of God's presence shining through Jesus, God's beloved Son.

However else divinity may be represented, it is as personality that God becomes most real to us; in particular, the personality of Jesus. Yes, light and cloud might be fitting images to represent the presence of God, but it is through the person of Jesus that God is most fully and powerfully represented. And strange to say, it is not the picture of Jesus sitting on a throne surrounded by a host of angels; it is Jesus on the cross, giving all out of love that predominates. If you want to know what God is like, look at Jesus.

- What makes light a suitable image by which to represent the presence of God?
- Look up Exodus 3:1-4; Exodus 13:20-22 and Psalm 27:1 as places where the presence of God is represented by light.
- What characteristics of God does the image of cloud represent?
- Can we, through Christ in us, represent God's presence to other people?

Nambour Uniting Church

Welcome to our Sunday Worship Service

The Nambour congregation welcomes everyone to worship. Please welcome Rev Graham Warne.

We accept all who gather to worship in peace,
with an invitation to pray and reflect in the Prayer Chapel at any time our Church is open.
May the peace of the Lord be with you

Please welcome our attending minister

Rev Graham Warne

Transfiguration Sunday

Readings for today

Isaiah 40:21-31, 1 John 4:7-16

In the church calendar, today is **Transfiguration Sunday** the last Sunday before Lent, please read Mark 9: 2-8.

However, we will be following a different theme today, our worship will include the hymn "Immortal Invisible, God only wise", which speaks of the awesome Transcendence of God, which was reflected in Christ's Transfiguration on Mount Hermon. Writing on the background of the hymn, Aled Jones points out that this is one of Queen Elizabeth's favourite hymns, and was sung at her 60th Birthday celebration at Windsor Castle. Ironically, it was written by a Scotsman, Chalmers Smith, the music is based on a Welsh folk melody, and was favoured by British monarchy!

**So, as we sing it today, we are in good company:
even Royalty acknowledges the higher authority
of the Eternal God!**

ASH WEDNESDAY

This coming Wednesday **17th February 2021** will be Ash Wednesday. This is an important date because it marks the start of the Lenten period leading up to Easter, when, we as Christians, believe Jesus was resurrected. The ashes symbolise both death and repentance. During this period, we as Christians show repentance and mourning for all our sinfulness, because we all believe Christ died for us.

Activities in the Church this week;
TODAY Sunday 14th February 2021

St Valentine's Day

Sunday Worship Service 9AM

Alcoholics Anonymous 6PM-8PM

Tuesday – Shrove Tuesday

Indoor Bowls 9AM-12noon

Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM

Wednesday – Ash Wednesday

Nambour Floral Art 8AM-12noon

Alcoholics Anonymous 5.30PM-8PM

Thursday

Craft group 9AM-12noon

Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM

Saturday 20th February 2021

Narcotics Australia 6PM-9PM

ON THIS DAY

Nearly everyone in our congregation may well remember the introduction of decimal currency on **14 February 1966**. The replacement of pounds, shillings and pence with dollars and cents was a momentous change that affected key aspects of daily life in Australia.

The existing currency up to 1966 was pounds, shillings and pence, based on a system of 12. The pound [£] divided into 20 shillings, and a shilling into 12 pence, which meant that £1 equalled 240 pence. Now this would be replaced by a decimal system, based on 10, with the major unit made up of 100 subunits, that is 100 cents = \$1.