#### **Nambour Retirement Village Services**

19 December

Rotary

Rev Maile

2.00PM

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Service Roster

### 11 December 2022 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**Minister:** Rev Maile Molitika **Music**: Jenny and John Thomas

Readers: Graham Kent
Prayers: Ian Woodward
Data Projector: Alison Hall
Sound System: Linda Woodward
Offering: Weekly retiring offering
Welcome: Our great welcoming team

#### Ministry

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# THE BIRTHDAY BOOK

11 Phillip Tierney

14 Karen Coates

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** 

Karen

and a big 80 for Phil!!

# VANDERBILT LECTIONARY NEXT WEEK'S READINGS FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

18th December 2022

Isaiah 7:10-16,

Romans 1:1-7,

Matthew 1:18-25,

Psalm 80:1-7 & 17-19.



# **Nambour Uniting Church**

9AM Sunday Worship Service

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

# SUNDAY 11th December 2022 Advent 3

Collect: Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge us, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and ever. Amen.

#### From the desk of the minister: Sharing Hope

As we continue our journey in Advent, we are reminded of our hope in Christ. Christ is our only Hope in this chaotic world, reminding us that the central purpose of the gift of life is to grow in our love for God and in our love for our fellow neighbours. During our journey we have to make sure that the light of God is burning in our hearts. Because sometimes, we may find that the light of God is growing dim or it may have been blown out for quite some time. Now is the time to rekindle the light and the hope of Christ in our lives. We all know that nothing can separate us from the love and concern of Christ, neither our sinning, our suffering, nor our dying. Whether or not we can see it or feel it, the supporting strength of Christ is present in every situation that we are in.

This Sunday we emphasize the importance of hope and to encourage us to share our hopes with others. Last Monday, I got a call from a friend who is about to go in for a heart surgery at the hospital. He needed prayers before he went in. So, we did, we prayed. After the operation, he rang me and told me a story. When he was about to wheel into the operation room he saw something just like a bright light moving before him and he realized then that his operation will be fine, this being his third bypass. This is the kind of story that we want to hear, the story of hope and trust in our God. As we move closer to Christmas, are we sharing our good news story with others?

Let us share our stories that might rekindle our love, peace and hope during this season.

Grace & Peace, Rev Maile

# Nambour Uniting Church Welcome to our Sunday Worship Service

The Nambour congregation welcomes everyone to worship.

Please accept all who gather to worship in peace and hope,
with an invitation to pray and reflect in the Prayer Chapel at any time our Church is open

Rev Maile Molitika will be leading our Sunday Service of worship and prayer today

#### VANDERBILT LECTIONARY FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**11 December 2022** 

Isaiah 35:1-10,

James 5:7-10,

Matthew 11:2-11,

Psalm 146:5-10,

Luke 1:46b-55.

#### Today 11 December come and have some morning tea 18 December Special Thank You morning tea

CHURCH OFFICE is CLOSED for a Christmas break please contact Jimmy on 0411 314 306 for times he will be available in the office A shortened version of Weekly NEWS will be printed

#### Activities in our Church this week;

Sunday 12 Dec Sunday Worship Service 9AM

Alcoholics Anonymous 6PM-8PM

Tuesday Indoor Bowls 9AM-12noon

Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM

Thursday Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM

Friday ECOllaboration Graduation 11AM-1PM

Saturday 18 Dec Narcotics Australia 6PM-9PM Please refer to Govt guidelines and social distancing

#### **TODAY Third Sunday of Advent - Candle of Hope**

The Advent season is a beautiful reminder to prepare our hearts as we prepare our homes — to celebrate the birth of our Saviour, Jesus! We light the third of the four candles in the Advent wreath:

the candle of Hope. Is your heart filled with hope?

Do you have a confident expectation of your tomorrow?

In one word, the answer to confident expectation is;

"JESUS" — the Jesus of Christmas.

#### **Proverbs for Daily Living –**

- 1. "Man without God is no longer man." Nicholas Berdyaev
- 2. "The fact of Jesus' coming is the final and unanswerable proof that God cared." William Barclay

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Phillip Tierney turns a very respectable 80 years young on Sunday 11th December – HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

#### Christmas 2022 – Let us celebrate together

- 18 December 2022 Christmas Morning Tea after Worship Service
  - A Christmas thank you morning tea for everyone to enjoy
- 24 December 2022 Saturday Christmas Eve Service 7PM
  - Worship Service of Bible readings, Carols & Candles
- 25 December 2022 Sunday Christmas Day Service 8AM

The Christ Candle is Lit celebrating our Saviour's birth unwrapping joy, embracing Jesus our Saviour