#### Nambour Village Services May 2025

BOWDER 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 11am Reverend Graham (Music: Nola/Margaret) ESTIA 4<sup>th</sup> JUNE\* 10am Reverend Maile (Music: Nola)

(\* Communion)

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ROTARY 16th JUNE\* 2pm Reverend Glenn

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1 JUNE 2025
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Minister: Reverend Maile

Music: Nola & Margaret

Readers: Judy & Peter Moore

Prayers: Reverend Maile

**Data Projector**: Alison Hall

Offering: Retiring and Direct Debit offering

Welcome: Our great welcoming team

**Ministry** 

Reverend Maile 0425 378 174

**Pastoral Care Ministry** 

Rev Graham Warne 5478 9747

**Music** 

Nola & Margaret

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10am to 2pm

In seeking wisdom, the first step is

(Music: Rosemary)

SILENCE.

The second step is

LISTENING.

The third is

REMEMBERING.

The fourth is

PRACTICING.

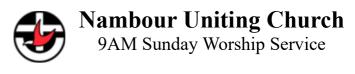
The fifth—

TEACHING

OTHERS.

Avicebron, Jewish Poet





#### 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2025: SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### **Ascension Day**

**Collect:** Open to us the authority of your word and the reality of your love. Turn us from gazing into the heavens when you call us to witness on earth. Keep us from helpless resignation to earth's cruelty and hatred when the resources of heaven are available to us. Grant that we may serve the gospel of love as we grow in the likeness of Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### From the desk of the minister: "The Ascension of Christ"

The Ascension of Jesus is very important to the early Church because they have included the occasion in the Apostles and the Nicene Creeds. In our lesson from Acts and Luke today, the writer wrote about the Ascension. In the Gospel of Luke, the Ascension is the last thing that he wrote in his gospel. He said, "That while he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven." In Acts, Luke is writing at the beginning about the Ascension again, but he mentions that the disciples were watching, as he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven?" It is quite important that the Ascension story has been recorded differently in Luke's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles, but they had the same intention for the disciples. It is a call for action. Luke was still blessing them when he was taken up. It means Jesus would want them to continue his mission into the world. According to the Acts reading, two men appeared to remind them, "Do not look up to Jesus, he has gone to be with the Father. It's now your turn to go back and continue Christ's mission into the world. After the resurrection, Jesus spends 40 days with his disciples, proving he has indeed overcome death. He encourages his followers to wait for the promise of the Father: "The power of the Holy Spirit will come upon you and you will be my witnesses, starting in Jerusalem and into the ends of the earth." This is a call for us today. Jesus is reminding us that the tool for mission is the Holy Spirit. Without the Holy Spirit, we are powerless to do anything in the mission of God. Let us pray to God for the power to do his will accordingly.

Grace and Peace. Maile.

# 1 JUNE 2025 VANDERBILT LECTIONARY

# **Seventh Sunday in Easter**

Acts 16:16-34

Psalm 97

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

John 17:20-26

#### Proverbs for Daily Living

The Ascension of Christ signals Jesus' momentous completion of His Father's Will and Work here on earth.

Barbara Rainey

The task of the Church after Jesus' resurrection and ascension was to proclaim the forgiveness of sins to all nations.

Charles Stanley



# Nambour Uniting Church Welcome to our Sunday Worship Service

Our 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.

#### **SUNSHINE COAST SHOW**

Well, the excitement of the Nambour Show is with us again! Where did that year go??

The Show is being held on Friday 13 June, Saturday 14 June, and Sunday 15 June.

We would love some of you wonderful people to volunteer for car parking duties.

The roster is in the foyer, so if you can help, please put your name down. And God bless you lovely volunteers.

NEXT WEEK 8 June 2025
VANDERBILT LECTIONARY

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-12 or Genesis 11:1-9

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21

John 14:8-17 (25-27)

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!



1 June Peter Bowden

2 June Dawn Biggs

5 June Chris Bowden

8 June Sophie Ueno-Dewhirst

### **Activities in our Church this week:**

**Sunday: Worship Service at 9am** 

Monday: Garden Club 9am-12noon

Tuesday: Indoor Bowls 10am – 12pm

Tuesday: NA 12pm – 2pm

Wednesday: Tai Chi 8.30am-11am

Wednesday: New World Choir 6:30pm – 9pm

Thursday: Indoor Bowls 10am – 12pm

Thursday: Narcotics Australia 12pm – 2pm

Saturday: Narcotics Australia 6pm-9pm