

Nambour Village Services November 2025

BOWDER 2 November 11am with Rev Maile (music: Nola/Margaret)

ESTIA 5 November 10am with Rev Maile (music: Nola)

ROTARY 17 November 2pm with Rev Maile (music: Rosemary)

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26 October 2025

TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Minister: Reverend Maile Molitika

Music: Jenny & John

Readers: Linda Woodward & Lyn Colley

Prayers: Ian Woodward

Data Projector: Alison Hall

Offering: Retiring and Direct Debit offering

Welcome: Our great welcoming team

Ministry

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*Reverend Maile's
Morning Tea!*

**Welcome one and
all to Maile's
morning tea at
10am on 29th
October.**

**This delightful
celebration will
be held at
Coolum, Magenta
Drive, St. Mary's
(Aged Care).**

*We look forward
to seeing you
there!*



Nambour Uniting Church

9AM Sunday Worship Service

26 OCTOBER – TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Collect: Stand by us, Gracious God, fortifying us with your strength to hear and proclaim the message you set before us. Grant us the humility to see ourselves in a perspective larger than our self-concern. Let us hear words of judgment as surely as we discern reassurance and hope. Remould us according to your purposes, and sustain us in the face of trial and temptation, that others may be blessed, even through us. Amen.

From the desk of the minister:

Be humbled and you will be exalted

Luke in the gospel today is talking about prayer. For Luke, prayer is not coming to tell God of all our goodness. If we come to do that then we are full of pride in ourselves. Prayer is not coming to compare ourselves to others because we will be looking down on others. Prayer is when we come to humble ourselves before God, knowing that we are not perfect, we fail, we are poor in mind and spirit and we need the grace and the forgiveness of God. In this parable, the tax collector is a model of repentance and humility. Unlike the Pharisee in the story, his authenticity of character understands what it is to express genuine remorse. He is the only one who demonstrates true contrition, despite his shady profession. The Pharisee and the tax collector both went up to the temple to pray. But there the similarities end and the dissimilarities begin. Firstly, they had an entirely different opinion of themselves. Five times the Pharisee used the personal pronoun I. But the tax collector used it only once, and in the accusative, *“God, have mercy on me, a sinner”*. This is the language of true penitence. The Pharisee on the other hand did not expect the tax collector to be forgiven. He did not have any chance at all. The Pharisee stood head high, proud, preoccupied with himself, whereas the tax collector stood at a distance, eyes downcast and beating his breast, really needing the forgiveness of God. The Pharisee trusted in himself that he was righteous, while the tax collector trusted in God mercy alone. We are reminded from this story, never look down on someone that is not like you. We may have been Christians for so long, but the real deal comes from God. His grace and mercy are available to those who genuinely need it. **Grace & Peace. Maile**



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READINGS

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF
PENTECOST**

Joel 2:23-32
and
Psalm 65

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22
and
Psalm 84:1-7

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14



Sunshine
Coast
Arts & Crafts

**Christmas
Community
Fair**

November
1 & 2, 2025
at the

**Montville
Village
Hall**

Nambour Uniting Church Sunday School

Just a reminder to everyone that Sunday School, run by Jilly Wilson-Stevens will be held on the **3rd Sunday of each month** until the end of the year. We are all looking forward to a blessed 2026 for the Sunday School, with further details to be announced. So, we all have time to gather our children and grandchildren to join in for some wonderful activities next year. God Bless!

MEN'S LUNCHEON

Our very first Men's Luncheon will be held on Saturday 8th November at 1pm at the Uniting Church Nambour. Come along, just bring yourselves, and have a great time.
Can't wait to see you there!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!



29 October Marion McDonald
29 October Gladys Gunns
29 October Marg Froude

Activities in our Church this week:

Sunday: Worship Service at 9am

Monday: Sunshine Linus 8:30am – 2:30pm

Tuesday: Indoor Bowls 10am – 12pm

Tuesday: NA 12pm – 2pm

Tuesday: English Class 7pm

Wednesday: Tai Chi 8:30 – 11am

Wednesday: New World Choir 6:30pm—9pm

Thursday: Indoor Bowls 10am – 12pm

Thursday: Narcotics Australia 12pm – 2pm

Proverbs for Daily Living

**Pride is concerned with who is right.
Humility is concerned with what is right.**

Ezra Taft Benson

Forgiveness is the final form of love.

Reinhold Niebuhr

**NEXT SUNDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2025
VANDERBILT LECTIONARY**

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4
and
Psalm 119:137-144

Isiah 1:10-18
and
Psalm 32:1-7

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Luke 19:1-10