

Nambour Village Services August 2025

ESTIA 1 October 10am with Reverend Maile (Music: Nola)  
BOWDER 5 October 11am with Reverend Graham (Music: Nola/Margaret)  
ROTARY 20 October 2pm with Reverend Glenn (Music: Rosemary)

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28 SEPTEMBER 2025  
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY  
OF PENTECOST

**Minister:** Reverend Margaret Stehbens

**Music:** Jenny & John

**Readers:** Lyn Colley & Belinda Burman

**Prayers:** Ian Woodward

**Data Projector:** Alison Hall

**Offering:** Retiring & Direct Debit offering

**Welcome:** Our great welcoming team

**Ministry**

Reverend Maile 0425 378 174

**Pastoral Care Ministry**

Rev Graham Warne 5478 9747

**Music**

Margaret

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Office: most Tuesdays and Thursdays from  
10am to 2pm

*Some believe it is  
only great power  
that can hold evil  
in check, but that  
is not what I have  
found.*

*I found it is the  
small everyday  
deeds of ordinary  
folk that keep the  
darkness at  
bay...small acts of  
kindness and love.*



**Nambour Uniting Church**  
9AM Sunday Worship Service

28 SEPTEMBER 2025 – SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

**COMFORTED OR DISCOMFORTED**  
(Luke 16:19-31 & 1 Timothy 6:6-19)

There is a saying that Jesus comforts the comforted, and discomforts the comfortable. Today's readings from Luke and Timothy would seem to bear that out. We cannot read them without pulling ourselves up and thinking about ourselves and our lifestyles: There is a starkness in the parable which Jesus told of Lazarus and the rich man, not named here but in his anonymity could be someone we know, or even us. We are uncomfortable already. In Jesus' day, a mainly peasant society still had the rich. The rich included the chief priests, with some of their opulent houses in Jerusalem having been discovered by archaeologists. The Pharisees were more of a popularist movement but they also faced problems because of their belief that possession of land and wealth was a sign of God's blessing. Of course, the corollary was that a poor person must be bereft of God's blessing. So much of Jesus' teaching sought to correct these misconceptions. He faced an uphill battle because of centuries of wrong teaching in which the poor, ill and disabled were blamed for their condition. Jesus was ushering in a new kingdom, in many ways an upside-down kingdom: the old divisions no longer applied. The scabby, hungry poor man at the rich man's gate had value in God's reckoning. Riches accounted for nothing. Paul's letter to Timothy continues in a similar vein, exhorting his followers to live in a way that was counter-cultural. In God's kingdom, the hallmarks of the new kingdom are godliness, faith, love, patience and gentleness, not wealth. Society is on the endless treadmill of looking for 'more', and has forgotten the importance of contentment. Our lives are to be ones of godliness, coupled with contentment. The problems of homelessness and inequality, of rich and poor, of judgment and blame, still occupy our minds and newspapers. What is it that Jesus is saying to us in this time and place, and how are we to live Godly lives that demonstrate our commitment to Christ.

*Grace and peace, Reverend Margaret Stehbens*



28 SEPTEMBER 2025

READINGS

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF  
PENTECOST**

**Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15  
and  
Psalm 91:1-6. 14-16**

**Amos 6:1a, 4-7  
and  
Psalm 146**

**1 Timothy 6:6-19**

**Luke 16:19-31**



**NEXT SUNDAY**

**5 October 2025**

**VANDERBILT  
LECTIONARY**

**Lamentations 1:1-6  
and  
Psalm 137**

**Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4  
and  
Psalm 37:1-9**

**2 Timothy 1:1-14**

**Luke 17:5-10**



**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.

**To the members of our congregation, a prayer of thanks from our June:**

Dear Angels, thank you for your prayers. I was so relaxed that I went to sleep in the lounge chair in the waiting room. Everyone was wonderful. I'd mark SCUH at 100%. Thanks to you & God, a great team. June

**Also please make these changes to your directory:**

**Yvonne Bowden**  
Care Centre, Room 2  
Landershute  
Palmwoods Garden Village  
Mobile: 0493 227 201  
(no landline)

**Mardi Rahder**  
Care Centre, Room 11  
Landershute  
Palmwoods Garden Village

**Thanks from  
Peter Bowden**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!**



**2 October Mary Fletcher  
4 October Emily Thomas**

**God Bless you  
on your special day!**

**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

Wednesday: Tai Chi 8:30am – 11am

Wednesday: English Class 7pm

Thursday: Indoor Bowls 10am – 12pm

Thursday: Narcotics Australia 12pm – 2pm

Saturday: Narcotics Australia 6pm-9pm

***Proverbs for Daily Living***

**You need power only when you want to do something harmful; otherwise, love in enough to get everything done.**

***Charlie Chaplin***

**You may think that everything is falling apart, but in reality, God is ensuring that everything is falling into place.**

***Anon***