



Welcome

We're really glad you could join us! We hope you find warm friendship with us and clear practical help to follow Jesus. You might like to note the following

- Toilets are located at the rear of the Church
- Kids' Church begins about 10am and goes until the end of the service
- A parents' room is available in the church. Care is provided in the cottage during the second half of the service for children 0-3 years.
- If you have a hearing aid, switch it to "T" to access our induction loop.



For Your Prayer

- Pray for Jamaica: pray for repentance and deeper commitment from the predominantly Christian population. Pray for professing Rastafarians to come to a full knowledge of Jesus Christ. Pray for effective cooperation among the many Christian organisations in the country.
- Pray for Webbs and flooding in Broome: Prayer for the Junjuwa Peoples Church in Fitzroy Crossing which is in an area that may have gone under, and for Pastor Phil and his wife Gail as they seek to care for people and direct them to Jesus in this difficult time. Pray that people would put their trust in God during this time and for patience and stamina during the cleanup.



What's Happening?

Focus for January – Rest & Refresh

Being busy is a good thing, isn't it? But I think many of us have reached a point where we are too busy and we need to do something counter-cultural and do less. How can we achieve that? What would it look like for you and your family? Maybe the place to start in this process is aim to rest and refresh in January. Have a trial run in January and then maybe you can think about what it looks like for the rest of the year.

Kids' Church over the School Holidays

Holiday Kids' church is on! All children will start in the church building as usual. When it is time for the children to leave – Sprouts/crèche go to the cottage as usual, Seedlings and Saplings go to the church hall, kids in years 3 - 4 have the option of going to the hall or staying in church, kids in years 5-6 are to stay in church. Kids' activity sheets will be left in the back row of seats in the church building for kids staying in church.

God's Word for God's World

This programme recently aired its 300th show. Thanks to Peter B, Peter S, Aaron C, Sally W and Jenny M who do the work behind the scenes each week.

Church Camp | 3rd - 5th March 2023

Theme: Family Reunion. All registrations need to be in by 29th January.

Small Groups

Why not consider joining a small group in 2023? They are a great way to grow in your faith and to strengthen ties with other Christians. We run groups for men and women, young and old, day and night, ZOOM and live, weekly or fortnightly. You are sure to find a group that will suit you. Just see Jon, Stephen or one of the elders.

Vanuatu Mission

Please pray for the team this week. Today they are leading two worship services at Hog Harbour Presbyterian church. Please pray that what they do will encourage the people of Hog Harbour and point them toward a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. If you want to know more there are more details on our private Facebook page.

Family Fellowship | Sunday 29th January 12:15pm

Stephen and Kaylene are hosting a BBQ and swim at their place 19 Imperial Close, Floraville for all families that have at least one child in Years 4-9. If that is you, please come along. RSVP to Stephen on 0426 829080 before Friday 27th January. It is hoped that there will be a regular social event for these families on the last weekend of each month.

Men's Event | Saturday 18th February 9am - 12pm

A bushwalk in Glenrock State Conservation Area. Bible talk and encouragement in God's creation, swim optional with a steep return walk. Contact Colin Wright or Stuart Blanch to confirm and carpool. A handout with a map and more details will be available closer to the event.

Kids and Families Worker

With Suzie leaving our position in January this year, we will be advertising and interviewing prospective candidates for her replacement in February/March this year. This position is for approximately 8-10 hours per week. For more information, please see Jon or Stephen.

Finances for December 2022

<i>Budget offerings for December</i>	\$27,000
<i>Actual offerings for December</i>	\$26,161
<i>Deficit for December</i>	\$839
<i>Surplus for 2022</i>	\$11,982

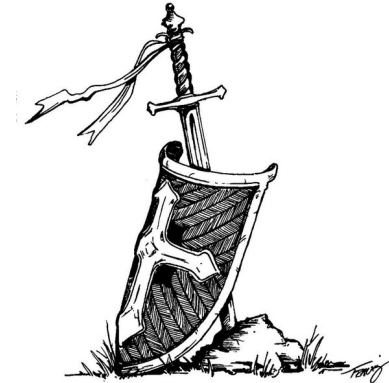
Many thanks to all those who have given sacrificially to the Church over the past 12 months. We were able to meet our budget and produce a small surplus which will be handy as we think about a possible redevelopment in 2023.

The Shield of Faith

Readings: Psalm 91, Ephesians 6:10-18



Sunday 15th January 2023



The Shield of Faith Services

Charlestown: 9:45am & 6pm
Swansea: 8am

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Songs: Hymn of the Ages
Christ Our Hope in Life and Death
Before the Throne of God
A Mighty Fortress is Our God

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Welcome & Prayer

Song Great is Your Faithfulness

Bible reading Psalm 91

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Song Be Still My Soul

Bible reading Ephesians 6:10-18

Sermon The Shield of Faith

Song A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Closing Prayer



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