



Brisbane City Temple

# Adore



1 December 2019

Today is the start of advent. It is a time when Christians spend time in spiritual preparation for the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas.

Advent is not just about acknowledging Jesus, but adoring him. Christmas is not first about witness, but about worship.

O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

We are called to adore Jesus. That's what Christmas reminds us to do every year.

But how do we "adore Him?"

"This people honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me..." Jesus said of the religious types of His day. To put it in modern terms, "You sing the right songs, you recite the proper prayers and you attend the right services... but your heart isn't in it."

Words are no substitute for the heart. That part of us that no one sees is what is most important to Him. Adoration is first and foremost an attitude of delightful worship, that our love for Christ lies at the core of our lives.

We adore what is most precious to us. Adoration is our privilege, but it is also our obligation. Jesus is worthy to be "first", worthy to be worshipped, worthy to be adored.

May the glory of the best gift ever recapture our hearts so that we really do come to adore him and so that we will all live with a renewed appreciation for the grace that we have found in him.



## *Our National Vision*

Wherever there is hardship or injustice

Salvos will live, love and fight

Alongside others

To transform Australia one life at time

With the love of Jesus

## Advent

A time where we prepare our hearts for celebrating Jesus' coming to earth to be with us. Beginning on December 1st you are encouraged to read one chapter of Luke from the Bible each ay.

There are 24 chapters in the book of Luke. On Christmas Eve, you will have read the whole account of Jesus' life and wake up on Christmas Day knowing who and why we celebrate at Christmas.



## BCT YP Christmas concert

Please join the young people of the BCT as we celebrate the miracle of Christmas!

### and morning tea

On Sunday 8 Dec at 9:30am our young people will be putting on a Christmas concert and serving morning tea in the multipurpose room.

They would love to see you downstairs to share this time with them.



**Prepare Him room** Next Saturday 7 Dec at 6:30pm you are invited to share worship with others as we prepare to give Jesus room this Christmas season. Invite your family and friends to join you in this special time of worship.

In preparation for this Advent season, you are invited to...

# *prepare Him room*

7th Dec 6:30pm, BCT

Everyone is invited to this Christmas Worship event as we prepare our hearts for the season in worship, song & word

### Please pray

- \* for victims of the bushfires as well as the emergency service workers
- \* for farmers battling the drought
- \* pray for rain
- \* Continue supporting in prayer Kerry B and Lyndell W.



**Please remember our members of our faith community in prayer and those who are unable to join us in worship** Ann P. as she recovers from surgery and Colin P, Warren H for his shoulder and arm, Irene F. has returned to Riverview Gardens Aged Care Centre into assisted care. Lewis T, Col. Don and Bernice, Sheila N, Sandra & Lindsey T, Ruth H, Dot H, Evelyn W, Fay F, Evie W, Stuart & Joyce D, Basil and Anne B, Dulcie D, Bev B, Dirk and Glenda D, Irene F, Carmel L, Graeme O, Rita H, Major Leona.



### Christmas at Central Railway Station

From the 9th to 13 and 16th to 13th December we have an opportunity to bless the commuters with Christmas music and to receive donations that will be used for mission within the community.

This will be between 7—8.30am each day except on the weekends.

If you would like to be involved please see Tim or Marshall.



### Christmas Decorations

A very big thank you to Graeme K. who spent many hours making the trees you see on the platform as well as the sign in the foyer.



### Sharing the Christmas Story

Thank you to everyone who made a donation last Sunday towards the purchase of Christmas books for the children. We have received \$160 which means we can buy 32 books so far. If you missed making a donation last Sunday then you still have time today. Place \$5 in the envelope provided and place in the offering bag.

Sunday December 29  
 Sunday January 5  
 Sunday January 12  
 Sunday January 19  
 Sunday January 26

# Café

style **CHURCH**

*Church in a relaxed and informal setting.*

The Salvation Army Brisbane City Temple 167 Ann St Brisbane

**Alpha is starting 2nd Feb 2020** at 1pm there will be an opportunity for all who are interested to attend Alpha and to be refreshed in the basics of faith. It is a great opportunity for you to invite someone you know who is searching or asking questions about God, faith and life to come along with you. Lunch will be provided. Register your interest on the sign up sheet on the notice board or go online to <https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/brisbanecity/alpha-2020/>

Got questions about life?

## Alpha 2020 @ BCT

167 Ann St, Brisbane

Starts 2nd Feb Sundays @ 1pm

Alpha is a space where you can explore and ask questions about life, faith and God.

*Lunch is provided*

Alpha

**YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS QUEENSLAND**

**Summer Splash**  
North Queensland  
@ Sugar World, Cairns  
18 January

**Summer Carnival**  
South Queensland  
24-26 January

**Young Adults Retreat**  
14-16 February

Look out in the next week for event details as well as registration links.

## WEEKLY at BCT

### SUNDAY

- 9.30am Primary, Kids Connection  
Junior Soldiers  
Life Group/Corps Cadets
- 9.30am Coffee & Chat
- 9.30am Prayer Meeting
- 10.45am Morning Worship
- 5.30pm GSA/God's Sports Arena

### TUESDAY

- 6.30pm Youth Connect Group  
& Bible Study

### WEDNESDAY

- 10.30am Bible Study
- 11.00am Open House  
'Community Lunch'
- 7.00pm Songster Rehearsal
- 8.30pm Band Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

- 9.30am mainly music for  
babies & preschoolers  
with parents, care givers

### FRIDAY

- 7.00pm Factory Youth & YA Group

### Central Station Collector



We are looking for someone to collect at central station on Friday 20 December from 6:30-9am. If you are able to assist please speak to Pamela

**For Your Comfort** - A parents room is on the left of the foyer, bathrooms are downstairs one level. A lift is available for those not good on stairs

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**Brisbane City Parking Sat & Sun**  
**Queens Plaza Parking \$6.00**  
[bring ticket to BCT for validation]  
Entry Edward St Height 2.2mtrs  
**King George Square** Entries Roma & Adelaide

**KGS is CLOSED Christmas Day**



**In the EVENT of a FIRE proceed to the CLOSEST EXIT**  
**ASSEMBLE** across the road from BCT in the forecourt of 180 Ann St /  
Do Not evacuate BCT Car Park / Do Not use the Lift.

CAPTIVATED BY THE WORD  
WOMENS CONFERENCE

BRISBANE  
FRI & SAT | 28-29 FEB 2020

TOWNSVILLE  
FRI & SAT | 27-28 MAR 2020

All things  
new

EARLY BIRD TICKET \$50  
CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE

FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER:  
[TINYURL.COM/CAPTIVATEDQLD2020](http://TINYURL.COM/CAPTIVATEDQLD2020)

### DIARY DATES

- DEC 5 MAINLY MUSIC BREAK-UP
- DEC 7 KC BREAK-UP
- DEC 7 'PREPARE HIM ROOM' WORSHIP NIGHT
- DEC 8 YP CHRISTMAS CONCERT &  
MORNING TEA
- DEC 11 OPEN HOUSE BREAK-UP
- DEC 15 BREAK UP FOR PRIMARY  
& KIDS CONNECTION
- DEC 9-20 CAROLLING CENTRAL STATION