



Jesus makes
all the difference



Brisbane City Temple

December 2023

Things are not always what they seem, or at least there's usually much more to our lives than what we see on the surface.

We are called to worship our Lord today.

The One who makes all the difference in our lives.

The One who shines light in our dark places.

The One who came into a harsh world and brought hope and safety, the Promised One who comes to us and calls us to journey with 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

Senior Soldier enrolments

We have the privilege of enrolling two new soldiers – Nicole and Heather. We thank God for their response to the Holy Spirit’s leading in their life and their desire to make the commitment of becoming soldiers.

Welcome and Affirmation

There will be a welcome to recently promoted Majors Ashley & Bronwyn Barkmeyer on January 21st at 10am conducted by Majors Mark and Fran Everitt. There will be a morning tea afterwards allowing everyone the opportunity to welcome the Barkmeyers. Please remember to bring a plate of food to share for morning tea.

StreetLevel Christmas support

We are partnering with StreetLevel in the lead up to Christmas. We are supporting them with their hamper supplies. You can contribute by purchasing tinned ham.



Christmas conversation starters

Christmas is a time when we naturally connect with our friends and family. Showing we care for our friends is easy to do during the holiday season. It's also a time where we can bring up our faith in a very natural and authentic way. There are some simple christmas conversation starters available at the back of the hall.

Farewell

There will be an opportunity for us to say goodbye to Scott and Sharon on December 17. They will be with us until January 9.

January sermon series -

“What if?” That phrase can strike fear in all of our hearts and minds as we consider all the things that could go wrong in our world. Security is one of our basic needs, and thinking about all the “what if’s” can cause panic and anxiety when we think about future plans. But what if the “what if” question wasn’t as much about fear, but about possibility? What if we trust God to do far more with what we have than what we could possibly imagine or do on our own? Join us for our series, WHAT IF...?, where we’ll be imagining what God would do through us if we would really trust God with what God has blessed us with.



Our Values – Integrity – Compassion – Respect – Diversity – Collaboration

Sunday teaching Bible readings

December 3	Luke 21: 25-36
December 10	Luke 3: 1-6
December 17	Luke 3:7-18
December 24	Luke 1: 39-55
January 31	2 Chron. 7:14-15
January 7	Mat. 6:19-34
January 14	Isaiah 54:1-4

PRAYER

Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you
Jeremiah 29:12

Praying for others

It is encouraging to know people are praying for you. This month you are encouraged to bring the following people before God in your regular time of prayer

December 1-7 – Ron & Cheryl MacDonald; Heather Marshall; Victoria Meteyard; Merv Moore, Warren & Andrea Murray; Anna Murray; Sheila Neil.

December 8-14 – Heather Olm; Graham O'Neill; David & Bev Oates; Hans & Ellinor Park; Paul & Lois Parkinson; Colin & Ann Peckett; Verlie Perkovic.

December 15-21 – Merle Redman; Tom Richardson; Pamela Roper; Margaret Saunders; Kevin Seymour; Norman & Evelyn Shey; Cloene Smith.

December 22-31 – Bec, Xavier & Maddison Spencer; Andrew & Megan Stacey; Shirley Staines; Marshall & Joy Strong; Cel, Mariel & Ezekial Tingzon; Elsie Tomili; Damian, Marie-Claire, Lewis, Eleanor, Johanna & Cataline Trebilco; Matheis & Tanya Usmany.

Join together in prayer

- Sunday morning at 9:15am – 167 Ann St

**SUMMER
PARTIES**
SOUTH QUEENSLAND
SATURDAY 27TH JANUARY 2024
10AM-4PM / DREAMWORLD
5PM-8PM / GOLD COAST TEMPLE SALVOS
\$40 | ADULTS (INCLUDES LUNCH)

REGISTER WITH YOUR YOUTH
LEADER OR CORPS OFFICER





Christmas

During this Christmas Season, the Corps is buzzing with activity, spreading Christmas Cheer and, most importantly, spreading the gospel message and true meaning of Christmas – Jesus is the reason for the season. The band will be out and about, Open House will be in full swing and open to all. It is certainly a busy time of year, and because of this, we would love to have your additional support with gift wrapping to support the community and raise needed funds for the Corps to continue to support the community. You can find more details on the Christmas events page (5) of the newsletter.

Moonyah Gifts

On Moonyah's behalf, I extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Corps family for their generous gifts of body wash and wrapping paper. Your kindness and thoughtfulness have brought joy to Moonyah, and we are truly appreciative of your support.

Christmas Ham

As we celebrate the joyous season of Christmas, we kindly request your support for our Christmas hampers initiative by contributing a ham. Your generosity will undoubtedly brighten the festive spirit for those in need, and we truly appreciate any assistance you can provide.



Open House Volunteers

On Wednesday 29 November, 5 volunteers from The Langham joined the open house team in providing the food and time for our weekly lunch. They travelled from the Gold Coast to be a part of our weekly team meetings and stayed till everything had been cleaned and packed away.



Grill'd

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Grill'd will have their final community connect dinner for the year on Tuesday 5th of December and will be back on January 2nd 2024.



CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Weekday Concerts

Free Wednesday @ 12:30pm concerts each week leading up to christmas. Join us for great music and a christmas message.

- **06/12** QLD Conservatorium Brass Band - a Joyful Christmas
- **13/12** Halls Music – a classical Christmas
- **20/12** The Crown Law Choir – a Choral Christmas

Nine Lessons and Carols

Saturday 16th Dec – 6pm

A night of music and celebration featuring The Halls Music Festival Orchestra, Brisbane City Temple Band and Brisbane City Temple Songsters .

Central station carols and collecting

Monday 11 - Friday 15 Dec – 7am-8:30am.

If you can assist with collecting please speak to Scott.

Midtown Centre Gift Wrapping

- 5th December 9am – 2:30pm @ Midtown
- 8th – 10th Dec & 15th – 17th @ Uptown (Myer Centre)

Please Contact Jaiden if you are available to gift wrap. All fundraising goes directly to BCT.

Family Carols Service

Sunday 17th Dec – 10am

A morning of carol singing for all ages followed by morning tea.

Moonyah Carols and BBQ

Tuesday 12th Dec – 5:30pm

@ Moonyah, Red Hill – Enter via Bridge St entrance

Christmas Day Service

25th of December - 9:30am

Christmas Day offering

Our offering on Christmas day will be given to support a young adult mentoring program in Papua New Guinea. Through your generosity we can resource this incredible leadership program and bring hope and a future to many. Envelopes are available at the back of the hall, or you can donate [online via this website](#).



What Happens

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SUNDAY

9:15am Prayer gathering

9:30am Coffee

10am Morning Worship

10:30am Primary, Kids Connection & Junior Soldiers

12pm Bible Study Group

12:45 Singing group rehearsal (fortnightly)

4pm God's Sports Arena

MONDAY

7:15pm Bible Study Group (online)

TUESDAY

10am English Conversation classes

6pm Bible Study at BCT

WEDNESDAY

10am-12pm Emergency relief

12pm Open House Community Lunch

6pm Worship Team Rehearsal

7.30pm Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY

10am mainly music

6pm Young Adults connect group

FRIDAY

10am-12pm Emergency relief

SATURDAY

10am- 12pm Powerhouse Prayer (monthly)

Weekday Parking

If you require a parking space during the week please ring the office, Scott 0416133938 or Sharon 0408133936 to check availability.

There are various events or people requesting parking on different days and we need to know in advance available parking spots.

Sunday Parking Options

KING GEORGE SQUARE CAR PARK

Vehicle entry is via Roma or Adelaide streets and exit is via Roma street. Cost is \$5 for four hours on a Sunday

WICKHAM TERRACE CAR PARK

Located between Wickham Terrace and Turbot street, Spring Hill
Cost \$5 for four hours on a Sunday

Online Giving - Tithe and Offerings

You can make a direct deposit into the corps account.

Bank Details are:

Name: The Salvation Army BCT

BSB: 034 004

Account Number: 810612

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7