

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEAD PASTOR**

Hi Church,

Today we continue with part two of our series on the book of Ezra called 'Reclaim'.

And while the reading is a little bit longer than usual (nothing like a good dose of Old Testament history), the history contains an important truth: that God uses unlikely people to accomplish his purposes and bless the community of faith.

King Cyrus, King Darius and King Artaxerxes were all major power influencers of their time in the Persian reign over most of the known world.

Yet God moved in and through them to allow His people to return from exile and begin to establish God's kingdom in Jerusalem once again, as they began to rebuild the temple.

And God continues today to use the people in our lives, whether bosses, managers, coaches or politicians to bless the community of faith. I encourage you to keep praying for these people, and thank God for working through them as He seeks to use others to reclaim you!



*The God of love reclaim you with His promises this  
Lenten season, Pastor Ben*



**Reclaim | The Book of Ezra -  
Reclaiming People (Part 2)**


Bible Readings: Ezra 1:1-4; 5:6-12; 7:11-26

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Mon : 11am-3pm Tue-Thu: 9am-3pm Fri: 9am-2pm 

## | Upcoming Dates

Day	Date	Location	Description
Sun	05/03	All Locations	Reclaim : The Book of Ezra (Part 3)
Wed	11/03	St Johns	AGM (Bargain Centre)
Fri	13/03	Bethany	Engage Junior Youth @ 6.00pm
Sun	15/03	Bethany	Annual General Meeting
Wed	25/03	Bethany	Mid-week Service @ 9.30am
Sun	29/03	Grace	Parish Annual General Meeting

## | Today

**Baptism** at St Johns Worship Centre (Riverview) we welcome into God's family through Holy Baptism, Jackson Bulow, son of Nathan and Anita Bulow.

**Thankyou** to Bob Weiss for leading at Grace Worship Centre today.

## | Happenings & Notices

**Ladies Ministry** is hosting another event for ladies of all ages to come and join in community over dinner! Wed, 25 March, 6pm at Yamanto Tavern Function Room. To RSVP contact Leanne Kreis 043828081 [leannekreis@gmail.com](mailto:leannekreis@gmail.com) or Lee Stiller 0407648962 email [leestilla@gmail.com](mailto:leestilla@gmail.com).

**Parish Annual General Meeting** The AGM of the Parish will be held on Sunday 29th March at 2pm at Grace Worship Centre, Riverview.

**Myanmar** If you are interested in joining the Myanmar Mission Trip, 27 April to 6 May, please be sure to contact him 13 March. The cost will be around \$2500 (inclusive of flights, insurance, local transport, food & accommodation), not including Visa costs (approx. \$100) and discretionary spending money. We will be visiting a village south of Yangon, and also spending time with children and youth near Mandalay. For any further information, contact Pastor Ben: 0732024035 or [ben.hentschke@ipswich.church](mailto:ben.hentschke@ipswich.church)

**CRI Fundraiser Breakfast** is being held 9am, Sunday, 29 March, at the Community Hall, 138 Old Ipswich Road, Riverview. Come along to hear Suzie Overell speak while enjoying breakfast. All funds will go towards the continued training and resources that are required to equip instructors as they bring God into the lives of children.

**Thank You Vicki Park!** Last week we accepted the resignation of our long-serving Pastoral Care Support Coordinator - Vicki Park. We thank Vicki for her efforts and service to Christ and His Church, and hope to hold a farewell morning tea in her honour in the near future as we pray every blessing on her future endeavours.

**LLL App** is now available in the App Store and Google Play. Features include quick balance view, transfer funds on the go, make payments, BPAY, simple and secure login and much more.

**LYQ's Young Adult Conference** is a state-wide long weekend conference for young adults to experience rich community and together encounter the life-changing call of Jesus to follow him. It is being held on the sunshine coast and includes teaching, worship, over 20 electives, alate night lounge, free barista-made coffee, Beach hangs and lots of great people. The perfect place to Grow and experience community. Young adult Conference is for anyone aged 18-30 (turning 18 in 2020)

**Bethany Working Bee** is being held Sat, 14 March at 7.00am at Bethany Worship Centre. Join in the productive-fun along side members of the Bethany community as we fix and tidy various spaces at 86 Raceview Street, Raceview. All are welcome!

**COVID-19 Announcement** regarding Holy Communion: There is little evidence that sharing a common cup in Holy Communion is especially risky for the spread of any germs or disease. However, due to the threat of COVID-19, additional individual wine cups will be made available during Communion at all of our worship services, and we encourage using them if you feel safer to do so. The intinction (dipping the bread into the common cup) is not recommendable for hygiene reasons. We have further provided additional hand sanitizer at all of our locations, and we encourage you to make use of these as you continue to practice safe hygiene.

**Time Out for Reflection Devotional Books** If you are still wanting to purchase a Time Out for Reflection daily devotional book, contact the office by 13 March.



#### **Prayer Points**

- for peace between nations.
- for refugees, that God would provide means and opportunities.
- for those experiencing loss due to the fires across Australia.
- for those experiencing loss and hardships due to the novel coronavirus.

When	Location	Contact Person	Description
<b>Tue</b> , 2nd & 4th of the month @ <b>6pm</b>	Flinders View	Jenny Schiller 0439 958 633	All ages.
<b>Mon</b> , Fortnightly during term @ <b>7pm</b>	Flinders View	Leanne Kreis 0438 280 861	Women's Group, all ages!
<b>Mon</b> , Weekly @ <b>10am</b>	Raceview	Nicole Hartfiel 0407 574 280	Women's Group, ages 25-45.
<b>Tue</b> , 1st & 3rd of the month @ <b>1.30pm</b>	Raceview	Janice Boardman 07 3281 1017	All ages. *Nearly full capacity*
<b>Tue</b> , 1st & 3rd of the month @ <b>2pm</b>	34 Roderick St, Ipswich	Vicki Park 07 3202 4035	All ages.
<b>Tue</b> , fortnightly @ <b>7pm</b>	Ipswich	Harry Fritsch 0468 540 272	Young Adults (BYO snacks/food)
<b>Thu</b> , weekly @ <b>2pm</b>	Grace	John Kathage 0438 729 702	All ages.
<b>Sat</b> , 2nd & 4th of the month @ <b>8.30am</b>	Karalee	Steve Podlich 0408 015 739	All ages.
*Contact for details	Brassall	Martin Oldfield 0418 786 149	All Ages.
*Contact for Details	Brassall	Anne Scholl 0438 879 416	All Ages.
<b>Thu</b> , fortnightly@ <b>7pm</b>	Flinders View	Ann Little 3288 6858	All Ages.
*Contact for Details	Flinders View	David Taylor 0434 412 635	All Ages.
<b>Sun</b> , weekly @ <b>9.30am</b>	St Johns	Gavin Sephton	Praise and Worship

**Want to know more about Jesus?** Head our website: [www.ipswich.church](http://www.ipswich.church) or alternatively, speak to one of our pastors. We would love to hear from you and help you if you want to continue in your faith walk, learning more about our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Guests** - We trust that you have drawn closer to God in worship today. Our church is blessed by your presence today. Please stay and enjoy a 'cuppa' with us after worship and make yourself known to us. We'd love to answer any queries you may have, and be able to bless you with a special welcome pack & gift – just for you!

**Help us to care** - If you know of someone who has fallen ill or who is suffering in any way, please let the Pastoral Care Coordinator or one of the Pastors know by contacting the parish office so that appropriate care and follow up can occur.

**Looking for Christian Education?** - We are blessed to be able to partner with Bethany Lutheran Kindergarten (86 Raceview Street, Raceview, Ph: 3294 0024 | [www.qlecs.org.au](http://www.qlecs.org.au)) and Bethany Lutheran Primary School (126 Cascade Street, Raceview, Ph: 3288 8799 | [www.bethany.qld.edu.au](http://www.bethany.qld.edu.au)) as they provide quality Christian education to the families of our city.



**Sunday  
Worship Times**



**8am  
St. John's**  
32 Roderick St, Ipswich



**9:15am  
Bethany**  
86 Raceview St, Raceview



**10am  
Grace**  
19 Ipswich St, Rrview