

Elders & Pastoral Partner's Meeting There will be a workshop and meeting for all the **Elders and Pastoral Partners on Saturday, 20 September, at 9.30 am.** The topic of the workshop will be "caring for people during crisis".

There will be a meeting for all the **Stewards on Sunday, 21st September at 10.45 am.**

Meditation Group They meet every Thursday, 9.30am for bible study and meditation, All welcome. **contact** Chris Malan:0422 425 319

Vintage Coffee Group will meet on **Wednesday, 17 September 2025** at Lo Quay, Wilson at 2.30pm.



Prayerbook and Offering

Rosters:	Sunday 14 Sept. 2025	Sunday 21 September 2025
Minister:	Mr John Boon	Rev Toby Keva
Readers:	C Daggers, V Rowney	J Maddocks, W Wilson
Organist:	Deirdre Russell	Kai Laird
Stewards:	M Barron, J Burns, N Loudon	J Murdock, R Rowson, Ed Kenny
Welcomer:	Wilma Wilson	Fran Ciupryk
Greeter:	Angela Ontong	Val O'Reilly
Morning Tea:	P Muller, N Cail	J Heath, F McRae
Audio Visual:	Barbara Bennewith	Judy Rowson
Worship Elder:	Chris Malan	
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14 September 2025



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Sunday Service 9.15am

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NEWSLETTER



Our Mission

To Participate in and Grow the Mission of God at
Willetton by:



- Sharing the love of God and
- Telling people about Jesus

• Our Vision

God's Love and Hope in Action

Reflection On Bible Luke 15:

Which of you, Jesus asks, would go to such lengths to search and find and then welcome back and celebrate? Truth be told, none of us would. But God would. In fact, God does, even now, putting all at risk to seek us out, lighting a lamp and sweeping, sweeping, sweeping until we are all caught up in God's mercy, grace, and love

When we are lost, all is not lost.

God is seeking us, ready to turn our lives around,

Gathering us in to the people of God.

Let us rejoice and throw a party!

May God bless you with the clarity to recognize the world as it is, the hope to dream God's dream together, and the power to make God's dream a reality here and now. Amen. **John Boon**



Bible Reading Today 14 September 2025

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28, Psalm 14

1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-10

Bible Reading Sunday 21 September 2025

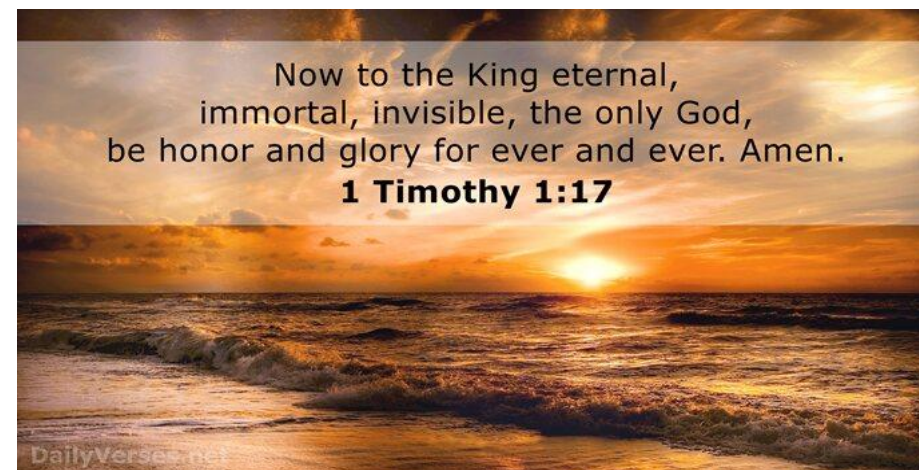
Jeremiah 8:18-9:1, Psalm 79:1-9

1 Timothy 2:1-7, Luke 16:1-13



Prayer for the week from 14 September 2025

The Legal Advisory Group, Council for Mission, Ecumenical Affairs Network, Ministerial Benefits Committee, Covenanting Commission and the Committee for Counselling
UnitingCare Forum



**Lord open our deaf ears and give sight to our blind eyes.
That we may receive your word of grace and rejoice to see your coming kingdom. Amen**

We have heard a lot of parables recently, which is not surprising seeing we are told that it was a common technique used by Jesus. Oral tradition. We heard two short ones this morning, although the section from the lectionary does not include perhaps the most famous one: 'the prodigal son'. All have a similar theme-about being lost and found-and then throwing a party in celebration!

The word 'parable' from the Greek word 'parabole' means literally 'that which is tossed alongside'. At its simplest, a parable is a metaphor or simile drawn from nature or common life, arresting the reader by its vividness or strangeness, and leaving them in sufficient doubt about its precise application to tease it into active thought. C H Dodd Trust an academic to complicate an interesting, often provocative short story. In the scriptures word the 'Parable' has a wide range of uses: proverbs, bywords, allegories, riddles, figurative speech and stories. The church has always had some difficulty with the parables of Jesus. There are none in John's Gospel. John prefers to speak of Jesus using 'figurative speech'. Nevertheless there are plenty of examples in the other Gospels. Quite a few years ago we had a small group of Chinese students come to this church. They were renting rooms in the area.

They were keen to learn about Christianity and improve their English. Both were a challenging experience. Especially the Christianity bit-most of their information came from the internet! Steve Francis -ESL Bible classes-kindly offered to invite some of our students to his Friday nights classes he was running at Nedlands. One night that we went the focus was on the parable of the lost coin. Themes of loss, search, completion, and joy. The stories end with feasting and rejoicing. Finding the loss, whether they are sheep or coins, takes effort and from those efforts there is the potential for wholeness and joy.