



Tin Can Bay Community Church

A Baptist Ministry

The Purpose Statement of our church is:
**NOW IS THE TIME TO BE GOD'S
LIGHTHOUSE IN TIN CAN BAY**



Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

23 October 2022

Fruit of the Spirit—Kindness

The fifth fruit of the Spirit is kindness. True kindness is taught to us in Ephesians 4:31-32, "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

So, just how important is kindness? In a study of 37 cultures around the world, 16,000 subjects were asked about their most desired traits in a mate. For both sexes, the first choice was kindness. Acclaimed psychologists John and Julie Gottman gathered data on successful marriages for decades and found that kindness was essential to a lasting union. But, what is kindness? It begins with caring, being tenderhearted and compassionate. The Greek word for 'kind' is chrestos—meaning 'useful.' This means that kindness involves action. Truly kind people will actively look for opportunities to show kindness.

Whether it's paying for someone's coffee at the drive-through behind them or writing a note of encouragement to a friend, kindness requires action. Of course, action can also include words—words of encouragement, comfort, courtesy and compliments can be heartwarming acts of kindness.

Jesus Christ practiced kindness that was considered radical for that time and culture. His kindness often extended to the people that were not treated well, including the sick, poor and social outcasts. He healed them, prayed with them and fed them.

Just like Jesus, we should practice kindness, even something as small as a smile or a 'hello' at a passing stranger. We should continue to ripen our fruit of kindness in the footsteps of Jesus, who personified the greatest example of kindness.

Welcome to Our Service

We pray God's blessing on you and your family as we worship together. If you are visiting please make yourself known to someone.



Happy birthday to **Sheryl Bennett** on Tuesday and **Lexi Bull** on Friday.

God's blessings on your special day.



Pray for -

- ★ Those in our congregation needing healing.
- ★ The Chaplaincy ministry in our schools, and in particular Karen at Tin Can Bay State School
- ★ Pastors and Christians who remained in Afghanistan (see World News)
- ★ People suffering in the Ukraine
- ★ A change in the resolve of Vladimir Putin with respect to the Ukraine.



**WORLD
NEWS**

Afghanistan's faithful remnant

Last year when the Taliban seized power in Kabul, Afghanistan's underground Church was believed to comprise almost 10,000 converts (up from almost zero in 1950). Thousands of Christians fled to neighbouring countries or were evacuated by Christian aid groups.

But thousands of Christians stayed, in spite of the government's ultimatum that Christians had three options: leave the country, convert to Islam, or face death.

Those still in Afghanistan include at least a hundred faithful pastors who chose to remain as 'light and salt' in their country. Christians and Muslims alike express gratitude to these pastors who, despite the risk to their own lives, stayed to bring hope and help to others. Pastors and others serving the Afghan Church report an increased openness to the gospel, in spite of the adverse circumstances.

Children's Ministries



Lighthouse Kids is for children 3 years old to the end of grade 6. It runs each week of the school term during the sermon in our Sunday worship service. Our program includes bible lessons and follow-up activities.

Breakfast Club (a ministry of School Chaplaincy) is run on Tuesday and Thursday mornings

at the Tin Can Bay State School. This is a fantastic way to minister to those students who are less fortunate and also a great time to get to know the kids. "If we can give just a handful of children a good start to the day, then it is worth it."



Donations of food items are always needed to allow this ministry to continue — Margarine, Vegemite, Honey, Jam, Cheese Slices (individual wraps), Long Life Milk, Milo and Apple Juice Poppers (100% juice).

Thought
for the week

"God never said that the journey would be easy, but He did say that the arrival would be worthwhile"

- Max Lucado



"Peter Denies Jesus" (Cartoon by Inherit the Mirth)



Sermons and Bulletins

Sermon links and Church bulletins will be emailed to you weekly. They are also available on the church web site:

www.tincanbaycommunitychurch.com.au



This Week in Our Church

Sunday	23rd Oct	9.00 am	Worship Service Lighthouse Kids
Monday	24th Oct	2.00pm	Prayer Meeting at Warren & Chris's home
Tuesday	25th Oct	9.00am 9.00am	KYB at Chris Woodland's home KYB at Dorothy Neale's home
Sunday	30th Oct	9.00 am	Worship Service Lighthouse Kids

WHAT'S ON

Rosters

Date	Speaker	Worship Leader	Worship Team	Data	Welcoming	Chair Setup 7am Start	Computer Programmer
23 Oct	John V	Karen	Hayley	Julie-Anne	Diane Kay	Bruce Heather	Glenn
30 Oct	John V	John V	Karen	Lynelle	Katie Trevor Uhl	Trevor Uhl	Glenn

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Community Church

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Account No.: 01 500 4389

If you have any items for the bulletin, including prayer requests you'd like the church to pray for, please email Glenn Batchelor by Wednesday night.



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