



## PRESBYTERY MEETING AGENDA

To remind us all of why we meet, here is an extract from the Basis of Union paragraph 15: The Presbytery's *'function is to perform all the acts of oversight necessary to the life and mission of the Church in the area for which it is responsible, except for those agencies which are directly responsible to the Synod or Assembly. It will in particular exercise oversight over the congregations within its bounds, encouraging them to strengthen one another's faith, to bear one another's burdens, and exhorting them to fulfil their high calling in Christ Jesus. It will promote those wider aspects of the work of the Church committed to it by the Synod or Assembly.'*

And from paragraph 26 of the Constitution *'The Presbytery shall have such oversight as is necessary to the life and mission of the Church in the area committed to it; it shall stimulate and encourage the Congregations within the bounds, providing them with opportunities for counsel in the strengthening and assistance of one another and in their participation in wider aspects of the work of the Church . The Presbytery shall also have such further responsibilities as may be assigned to it by the Assembly or Synod and may do such other things as are consistent with the purposes of the Church, not being the exclusive responsibility of any other council or body within the Church.'*

Here is a link to the most up-to-date [UCA Basis of Union, Constitution and Regulations 2018](#)

### BEFORE THE MEETING

- Take time to prayerfully prepare for the time we will be spending together.
- Remember our meeting is conducted using the Manual for Meetings.
- Please read all the reports and contact the author of the reports if you have any question.
- Any additions for General Business please email to Allison Kahler secretary@downspresbytery.org.au
- Let us know if you have any pastoral concerns or prayer points.
- **REMEMBER** your congregation will be invoiced for your meals by the Treasurer before the Presbytery meeting.

Susan Popple on behalf of the secretary Ms Allison Kahler  
Email: admin@downspresbytery.org.au  
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**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022 - Pittsworth Uniting Church - 13 Briggs Street, Pittsworth.**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Notes</b>
1:30– 3pm	<b>Engaging Worship Workshop</b>	<i>Adam Tipple</i>
3 – 3:30	<b>AFTERNOON</b>	
3:30 – 5pm	<b>Understanding Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) Workshop</b>	<i>Adam McIntosh</i>

5pm – 5:30	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	
5:30pm – 6:15pm	<b>OPENING WORSHIP/PASTORAL CONCERNS</b>	<i>Central Downs UC</i>
6:15pm – 6:30pm	<b>WELCOME ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS APOLOGIES MANUAL FOR MEETINGS APPROVAL OF AGENDA APPROVAL OF MINUTES JULY MEETING ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER RECEIVE THE REPORTS</b>	<i>Adam Tipple</i>
6.30– 8.00pm	<b>DINNER</b>	

**SAT 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022 - Pittsworth Uniting Church - 13 Briggs Street, Pittsworth.**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Notes</b>
8:30am – 9am	<b>Gather Registration</b>	
9am – 9:15am	<b>Praise and Worship</b>	<i>Central Downs UC</i>
9:15am – 10:15am	<b>Bible Study ‘Work Together’</b>	<i>Jenny Potter</i>
10:15am – 10:45am	<b>MORNING TEA</b>	
10:45am – 11:45pm	<b>PRESBYTERY REVIEW</b>	<i>Annie Baker</i>
11:45pm – 12:30pm	<b>PRESBYTERY BUDGET/Combined Presbytery Mission Pool (CPMP) CONVERSATION</b>	<i>Yvonne McRostie Jenny Noble</i>
12:30pm – 1:30pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	

1:30pm – 3pm	<b>REPORTS</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. <b>Standing Committee Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bottle Tree JNC Report</li> <li>• Treasurer’s Report</li> <li>• Property Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hall Hire Conversation</li> </ul> </li> <li>• MC3 Report</li> <li>• Presbytery Minister’s Report</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. <b>Pastoral Relations Committee Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Synod Selection Panel Report</li> <li>• Period of Discernment</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. <b>BlueCare/Grief and Loss Report</b></li> <li>5. <b>Hospital Chaplaincy Report</b></li> <li>6. <b>PGC Scots College Report</b></li> <li>7. <b>Downs Toowoomba Churches Together</b></li> </ol>	
3pm – 3:30pm	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>	
3:30pm – 3:45pm	<b>SYNOD</b>	<i>Kellie Broderick Kevin Griffiths</i>
3:45pm -4:15pm	<b>UNITINGCARE BLUECARE RESPONSE</b>	<i>Rev Adam McIntosh</i>
4:15pm – 4:45pm	<b>MISSION MOMENTS - NOTICES</b>	
4:45pm – 5pm	<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b> <b>Proposed Presbytery Meeting Dates for 2023</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> February</li> <li>• 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> June</li> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> November</li> </ul>	
5:15pm	<b>NEXT PRESBYTERY MEETING</b> Highfields Community Church 24 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 <b>THANK YOUS</b> <b>CLOSE OF MEETING</b>	
6pm – 9pm	<b>DINNER AND FELLOWSHIP</b>	

SUN 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022 – Pittsworth Uniting Church - 13 Briggs Street, Pittsworth.

<i>Time</i>	<i>Session</i>	<i>Notes</i>
9am	<b>WORSHIP</b>	<i>Pittsworth Uniting Church</i>

## Reports and Supporting Documents

1. Draft Minutes of the Previous Meeting July 2022 (sent)
2. **Standing Committee Report**– Ms Alison Kahler and Rev Adam Tipple
  - 2.1. Correspondence Report – Ms Allison Kahler
  - 2.2. Treasurer’s Report – Ps Jenny Noble
  - 2.3. Property Report – Rev Rob Callow
  - 2.4. Presbytery Minister Report – Rev Yvonne McRostie (verbal)
  - 2.5. Presbytery Consultation Report – Mrs Annie Baker (verbal)
  - 2.6. Mission Collaboration Coordination Committee Report – Rev Marius Kruger (verbal)
  - 2.7. Bottle Tree JNC Report – Rev Yvonne McRostie (verbal)
3. **Pastoral Relations Committee** – Rev Ansie Liebenberg
  - 3.1. Period of Discernment Report – Rev Jenny Potter
4. **Blue Care Chaplain’s Report** – Ps Barb Betts
  - 4.1. Blue Care Grief and Loss Report
5. **Hospital Chaplain’s Report** – Rev Jenny Potter
6. **Scots PGC Chaplain’s Report** – Rev Nathan Barton (still to come)
7. **Downs and Toowoomba Churches Together** – John Agnew
8. Synod Report – Mrs Kellie Broderick and Mr Kevin Griffiths (verbal)
9. UnitingCare BlueCare – Rev Adam Mcintosh (verbal)

Other helpful documents that are available the website:

- ◇ Manual for Meetings
- ◇ Code of Conduct for Lay Leaders
- ◇ Code of Ethics and Ministry Practice