



PITTSWORTH UNITING CHURCH
13 Briggs Street, Pittsworth, Queensland.

4th – 6th November 2022

Scots PGC Chaplain's Report

It has been a whirlwind of a time since the last Presbytery Meeting and the year for Scots PGC is rapidly coming to a close. Already, we have passed the halfway mark for term four and only three weeks remain before the students disperse for the Summer.

Among the highlights of the last few months has been the privilege of leading worship for the Past Students Reunion weekend. This year commemorated the 80th anniversary of the college being used to house evacuees during the Second World War. It was thrilling to our oldest past students gathered with some of our youngest current students and hear stories and insights from all generations being shared together.

The Valedictory week was also a blessed time of celebration for our graduating class. Some had only been at the college for a year or two, others had been with us from their first days of prep. All shared stories of how their time at Scots PGC had helped them grow and there was not a dry eye in the room as each student singled out two or three teachers who had had a profound impact on them.

Further I have enjoyed the opportunity to continue to build relationships with the continuing students the Christian Education lessons, Chapel Services, pastoral conversations and attending the year 11 Leadership Camp.

Plans for next year are already building excitement. During Rev Willie Liebenberg's placement, the college experienced the benefits of the Uniting Care Peer Skills Workshop. This program equips students with skills and strategies to provide pastoral support for each other and help them direct their friends to where more help can be found when needed. Unfortunately, with the disruption of COVID, the program fell to the wayside. However, happily, we will be bringing it back for next year's Grade 11s.

Thank you for your ongoing support and please continue to pray for the staff and students of Scots PGC.

Yours in Christ

Rev Nathan Barton