



11 Sunday aft. Pentecost-9 Aug 2026

St Matthew's-Holland Park-Stewardship Sunday

God is faithfully guiding his people through betrayal, fear, and uncertainty, using human weakness and suffering to move his saving purpose forward.

Genesis 37:1–4; 37:12–28

What is happening: Joseph's brothers grow jealous of him because of their father's special love and Joseph's dreams. When Joseph comes to check on them, they plot against him, strip him of his robe, and sell him into slavery.

Main point: Human jealousy and sin can be cruel, but God's story does not stop at betrayal. Joseph's favour, his dreams and sacrifice brings God's plan to life.

What to wonder: How does God work through family division and injustice without approving them?

Psalms 105:1–6; 105:16–22

What is happening: The psalm calls God's people to remember, thank, and seek the Lord. It then retells how God sent Joseph ahead of Israel, allowed him to suffer, and later used him to prepare rescue in Egypt.

Main point: God remembers his covenant and uses even suffering to preserve his people. God's past deeds always strengthen faith & encourages gratitude.

What to wonder: Why does the psalm link suffering and sending so closely in Joseph's story?

Romans 10:4–15

What is happening: Paul says Christ fulfills the law's goal. Righteousness comes through faith in Christ, not by trying to earn it. He explains that salvation is near: confessing Jesus as Lord and believing God raised him from the dead leads to salvation.

Main point: God's saving righteousness is available to all who believe and confess Jesus. Salvation is by grace, not by works.

What to wonder: How does this reshape the way we think about being "right" with God?

Matthew 14:22–36

What is happening: Jesus sends the disciples ahead on the boat, walks on the sea, rescues Peter as he sinks, and calms the storm. Later, crowds bring the sick to Jesus, and many are healed.

Main point: Jesus is Lord over chaos, fear, and sickness, and his presence saves.
What to wonder: Why does Peter begin to sink, and what does this reveal about faith?

Across betrayal, rescue, confession, and storm, God calls us to trust that Jesus is saving and present even when the path is frightening.

[Genesis 37:1-4, Genesis 37:12-28, Psalm 105:1-6, Psalm 105:16-22, Psalm 105:45, Romans 10:5-15, Matthew 14:22-33 NIV - Joseph's Dreams - Jacob lived in the - Bible Gateway](#); [Matthew 14:22-33 NRSVue - Sacred Space](#); [Commentary on Matthew 14:22-33 - Working Preacher from Luther Seminary](#); [THE WALKING ON THE WATER | Bibleinterpretation by Fr. Abraham Mutholath](#)

Help Wanted for Bookweek Costumes - Come and secure your child's Book week character costume from our Op Shop for no / low cost \$5 9-noon 15 Aug.

Ecumenical Taizé Service: 9/9/26 @6:30 p.m at St Bernard's Upper Mount Gravatt CNR Logan Rd and Klump Rd followed by light refreshments.

Fund raising Luxury Brisbane River cruise on the MV Island Princess- 6-9 p.m 7th October Tickets \$120 3 hours of Drinks and hot finger food included

Raffle Tickets on sale NOW

Bible Study Lady Chapel Friday 10am The Bible Unpacked

Ladies Study Wednesday Night see Janice E or Heather W

Men's Breakfast 7am 1st Thursday of month

Pray for Peach Street

Meditation 5 August Wednesday night 5pm

Behind the Scenes Thanks:

Next Sunday Pentecost 12: 9am 9 August;

Genesis 45.1-15

Psalm 133

Matthew 15.21-28

Romans 11.13-32

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We acknowledge and pay respect to the Turrbal and Jagera Peoples, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today. We acknowledge their continued spiritual connection to country and surrounding land, sky and water. We pay our respect to their Elders, past present and emerging and pray that we may continue to learn from and nurture one another in the spirit of Reconciliation.