

# Friendly Word

NEWSLETTER

SUN 8 SEPT 2024

MARION CHURCH OF CHRIST

DISCOVERING JESUS  
VALUING PEOPLE  
BUILDING COMMUNITY



Welcome to MCC today!

Spring represents new beginnings in God's creation – the leaves begin to grow on the trees and some trees may blossom. Plants begin to grow and you may see baby animals like lambs around. The daytimes start to get longer.

We are indeed blessed to have these changing seasons and times during the year: times and seasons that are made to make us stop, take a deep breath, and look with bright new eyes – seeking God as we look for new beginnings, new ways, new possibilities and new blessings.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

There is a time for everything,  
and a season for every activity under the heavens:  
2 a time to be born and a time to die,  
a time to plant and a time to uproot

10am Family Service: Pastor Stephen Scott looking at the Gospel of John 20:1-18. Stay on for a cuppa and chat after the service and enjoy the company of your church family.

6pm Café Church we continue the Meet Jesus series—join us for a meal and a conversation around the Gospel of John.

**KIDS@MARION**  
WELCOME FAMILIES  
FAITH FUN FRIENDSHIP

1. Sign in for K@M in the foyer
2. Join everyone in the auditorium 10am for the beginning of service
3. Look to the screens on when to head out to the Pavilion.

The comfort of the Lounge & Livestream is available for parents of little ones.

Our weekly newsletter keeps you updated and connected with MCC. God has been doing some great things in the lives of so many people and we are excited for where He is leading us in 2024.

**I'M NEW HERE:** If you're visiting today, welcome. We'd love the opportunity to meet you and give you a MCC welcome bag (at the Welcome Desk)—it has some info you may find helpful to know about what happens here and how to connect in.

## Hello & Welcome

If you are visiting with us today, we would love the opportunity to meet you



We invite you to stay on after the 10am service for Morning Tea & a chat

**COMMUNION ...** Everyone who loves the Lord is invited to share in the time of communion. Here at MCC we celebrate communion every week. For your convenience there are prepared cups including a wafer for you to collect as you enter. During the service the Communion leader will lead us in a reflective time, then as the music follows, you are welcome to participate of your bread and cup in your own time.

**STAYING CONNECTED..** If you visiting or have changed your contact details, or have a Prayer request or encouragement to share, please pick up a **Care Card for Communication** as you enter today (or let us know on the MCC APP or [admin@marioncc.org.au](mailto:admin@marioncc.org.au)) Fill it in and pop it in the offering box or church



**\$2 SALE ON GENERAL CLOTHING | \$1 SALE ON KIDS CLOTHING**  
**LAST WEEK—FINISHING** THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 12

## Side Gate Cafe Temporary Closure Last Day of Service - Wed 11 Sept



Thank you Poppy for the scrumptious meals you have made for our community - we wish you well in your new endeavours.

Thank you to our team of dedicated volunteers - we appreciate you and look forward to working along side you in the near future as we pray over what God's plans are next for Side Gate Cafe.

**Watch this space!** *Thank you for your understanding.*

## Ways we give with generosity & commitment

OnLine | APP | Automatic | Envelopes



Giving to God through His Church here at Marion Church of Christ allows you to share the blessings you have received by investing in the mission of our church.

MCC Bank Account: BSB: 703-810 Account: 05 300 944 Reference: Offering

2 Corinthians 9: - 6-8 ...For God loves a cheerful giver."

## Stay Connected with the MCC Team

Church Office: 8277 7388 E: [admin@marioncc.org.au](mailto:admin@marioncc.org.au)

**Pastors:** Stephen Scott, Sonya Bertram, Stephen Lim



**MarionLIFE Director:**  
Leighton Boyd

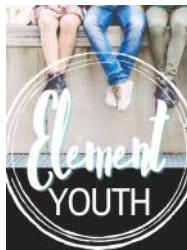


**Governing Council Chair:**  
Andrew Bertram



## WHAT'S ON!

Kids@Marion Sundays 10am  
 Element Youth Fridays 7pm  
 Flower Power Saturdays  
 MumCo - MOPS meetup  
 Mon 9 Sept 9.30am  
 MumCo - MUMSnext meetup  
 Mon 16 Sept 9am



Craft Wed 10am school term back Term 3  
 Friendship Club Thurs 10 October 1pm  
 Young Adults Tuesday evenings 7pm

**Marriage Course Sessions**  
 Sun 15 Sept (after 10am serv)  
 (for couples young and old)

**Church Prayer Night next on Sun 15 Sept**  
 after Café Church in the lounge

**Music Team** Thurs 26 Sept 7.30pm

**BBQ Church** Sun 22 Sept 6pm

**Diary dates**—More info out soon

- ◆ Sun 6 Oct combined services 10am  
 Long Weekend/Daylight Savings Starts
- ◆ Flourish Gathering—Young Adults Sat 12 Oct
- ◆ Operation Shoe Box October Boxes \$1.00
- ◆ Community Light Party Thurs 31 October
- ◆ Community Carols Sat 14 Dec

**FREE! LIGHT PARTY**



**Thurs 31 Oct 4-7pm  
 IN THE CARPARK**  
 kids fun, sausage sizzle & more

## MarionLIFE

MarionLIFE Community Programs

- **Emergency Relief** Mon-Thurs 9-12noon
- **Marion Mugs** Mondays: 9:30am
- **Tool Library & Garden** Tues morn
- **Community Meal** 1st/3rd Thurs 6:30pm
- **MarionLIFE Youth** Fridays 3pm
- **Women Together** Wed 1:30pm (school term)
- **Brekky Together** 2nd/4th Tuesdays 9am
- **Walking Group** Tuesdays 9:30am
- Budget Support & Financial Counselling
- Community Garden
- Refugee Support
- Adult Community Learning



Big Blue Bin Donate MarionLIFE's pantry welcomes non-perishable food or hygiene items for Emergency Relief Pantry. You are invited to pop a couple of extra items in your shopping trolley this week and place in the blue bin, located in the foyer. Thank you!

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## Marriage Course

The Marriage Course is designed to equip you with tools for a healthy marriage and strengthen your connections as a couple.

The young families Life Group invites you to join them as they do the Marriage Course at their monthly catch up on the 3rd Sunday of each month after the 10am service.

This is open to all couples young and old.

### 3RD SUNDAY OF MONTH

BYO Lunch for you and your partner  
 For more information reach out to  
 Pastor Steve Scott

**PLEASE NOTE:** Friendship Club for September has been cancelled back on Thurs 10 October 1pm.

**COMMUNITY BBQ church**  
*spring*



**Sunday 22 Sept 6pm**  
 with The Sherrahs & Friends

## QUIZ NIGHT

This is your exclusive invitation, so get out your diaries and lock in **Friday 25 October at 6pm** to come be a part of something new and exciting here at MarionLIFE.

We are hosting a fundraising quiz night, but with the emphasis on fun and community.

More details are coming so stay tuned!

MarionLIFE

**SAVE <<<  
 THE DATE**

**FRIDAY OCTOBER 25TH**

**coming soon**



Many hands make light work  
 Let's do life together  
**Building Community**  
 Serving God Faithfully

**CAN YOU FILL A VACANCY. WE ARE NEEDING VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH:**

### SPECIAL EVENTS : LIGHT PARTY

- ◆ BBQ
- ◆ PHOTO BOOTH
- ◆ KIDS ACTIVITIES
- ◆ BAKING
- ◆ BARISTA
- ◆ CONNECTING WITH LOCALS
- ◆ SETUP/PACKDOWN

### GENERAL

- ◆ Urgent: Flower arranging
- ◆ Barista
- ◆ Cook
- ◆ Car Park Attendant
- ◆ Kids@Marion
- ◆ Leaders Element Youth
- ◆ Kitchen helpers Element Youth

Contact Tracy on

[tstewart@marioncc.org.au](mailto:tstewart@marioncc.org.au)

or put a note on your care card




## Ring – Chat – Pray!



When we connect, we feel better.  
**PICK UP ONE TODAY FROM THE FOYER** and send a postcard with Free postage



**YOUNG ADULTS**



Tuesdays & Sundays  
 For info contact  
[admin@marioncc.org.au](mailto:admin@marioncc.org.au)

**PRAYER NIGHT**

*Join Us*

**3rd Sunday of Month**  
 directly after Cafe Church  
**7:30 to 8:30pm**

*Let's thank God for His Blessings  
 Let's pray for our Church,  
 Community, Country, World*

