



Stewardship 2025/26

Dear Friends,

Greetings from your Church family!

As someone who belongs to the "kin-dom" of Christ and to our Church Community we invite you to engage with our 2025/26 Stewardship Season.

The theme for this year is "You Belong Here". You are deeply valued by our God and by our Church Congregation. You Belong Here!

Brougham Place is a very generous community of givers. We thank you for the many ways you have supported the ministry of this Church community.

To continue the wonderful work that this congregation is doing in the name of Christ and to address increasing expenses, we are asking that you to prayerfully consider how much you can give financially in the year to come.

Your continued financial giving is vitally needed for our ongoing ministry. Please consider setting up regular online giving – this makes such a difference to our budget. Your generous giving and assistance with fundraising is also vital for the major works that are needed to repair and upgrade our beautiful building so that it is safe, compliant and fit for mission.

We also ask you to spend some time thinking about which areas of ministry you would like to be part of. We are so thankful for the way so many of our Congregation give their time to enable worship to flow well each Sunday and to serve in other ministry areas.

We have provided an updated list of areas where you can serve. Your responses will be reflected in our roster, where applicable. Every role, large and small, is important as we offer our gifts and skills in worship, witness and service to God.

You will see that there are a lot of roles! Try not to be overwhelmed. We share the load together as a community of belonging.

Have a look through the list and mark the areas that you have skills and a passion for. Then pray about how much time you are able to offer in the coming year. It is OK to write questions on your form so that we can follow up with you.

You will note a number of new incentives that we'd like to try in 2026. Please consider whether you would like to be part of one of these new missional activities:



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- "Hymn-Sing, Coffee, Create and Chat" (working title). We are hoping to be able to commence a new monthly activity at our Church. On a weekday morning or afternoon, well begin by singing hymns in the Church, then gather for a Cuppa and a Chat. We'll also provide time and space for people to join together in making blankets and other items for charity. We will need an organist and/or pianist, a host, a lead singer, refreshments coordinators, and blanket-knitting coordinators.
- "Open Church". We'd love to be able to open the Church again for people in the community to come in and see our beautiful worship space and also to spend some time in quiet prayer. It would be good to be able to do this on a regular basis during the week or on the weekend. We will need hosts – preferably two at a time.
- Gifts 'n Goodies: We need volunteers to deliver donations of non-perishable foods to 'Stevo's at Encounter Uniting Church, Enfield on a monthly basis.
- Fundraising Team: Church Council is establishing a new fundraising team to coordinate and run fundraising initiatives. This will include raising funds for small projects and for major building projects.

Finally, we invite you to join us in prayer during this season. A Prayer Calendar is included to help guide your prayers.

This year, Stewardship responses and information is primarily through hard copy. The following will help you to make your response:

- an outline of all the Ministry Areas.
- the Response Sheet for 2025/26. Please use this to indicate where and how
 you would like to be involved and what your gifts to the ministry of the church
 will be.

Copies will also be made available soon on our website.

It would help with our planning if you could respond during the worship service on the 2nd of November. If you are not able to do so at that time, please place your response sheet into the Offering Bowl or post it in to the Church Office as soon as possible afterwards.

Let us celebrate with joy the good things that God is doing in and through our Congregation and build on that into our shared future.

Grace and Peace,

Rev Linda Driver, Minister

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