



1st March 2020

Gungahlin Uniting Church and Community Centre

Socially & environmentally just. Welcoming of the stranger.
Inclusive of all people. Sharing the faith journey together.
Informal & friendly christian community.

Welcome to everyone who is with us today

Gungahlin Uniting Church is part of the Uniting Church in Australia. We strive to be an open and inclusive community, welcoming people from different countries, cultures, traditions, ages, stories, genders, gender identities, ability and viewpoints as we experience life and God together as part of our Christian faith.

We are a community of people who don't pretend to know all the answers, instead we seek to follow the way of Christ together, in our own lives and throughout the world. You are welcome here in this place and welcome to participate in the life of this community.



welcome

Sunday March 1

9:30am All Age Worship
Lead by Alistair Buchanan

Bible Readings:

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7
Psalm 32
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

Sunday March 8

9:30am All Age Worship
Lead by Ron & Margaret Reeson

Bible Readings:

Genesis 12:1-4
Psalm 121
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
John 3:1-17
Matthew 17:1-9

Please contact us...

Phone: 6242 5001
Web: www.gungahlinuniting.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/GungahlinUniting/

Darren Wright is our Minister, his day off is Friday

email: minister@gungahlinuniting.org

Alison Tweedie is our Church Life Worker

email: office@gungahlinuniting.org

Some ways to connect at GUC

Oasis

For children in Primary School
A part of Sunday morning worship
Sundays 9.30am
Contact Ngaire: 6241 3478

Billabong

For Youth- High School age
Meets 1st Sunday of the month
Breakfast- 9:30am
Meets socially during the year
Contact Darren: 6242 5001

Playgroup

For young children & parents/carers.
Wednesdays 10am-12pm
At Gungahlin Uniting Church
Contact Cassandra: 0438 423 688

Boys' Brigade

For boys Primary/High School age.
Wednesdays 6.30pm
At Gungahlin Uniting Church
Contact Bruce: 6242 9282

Girls' Brigade

For girls Kindergarten- Year 12.
Wednesdays 6.30pm
At Gungahlin Salvation Army
Contact Liz: 6242 9282

Novel Views Book Club

Read a book, watch a film about a book, discuss with friends whilst enjoying drinks and food
Meets every 6 weeks
Contact Ngaire: 6241 3478

Pub Dinner Group

Relaxed conversation and meal
Wednesdays fortnightly 7pm
'The District', Crace
Contact Matt: 0402 483 782

Spice Kids

Meal gathering for adults, an opportunity for conversation and friendship.
5th Sunday of the month after worship
Contact Jean: 0428 517 595

Community Meal

Shared meal & celebration
Meets 1st Saturday of the month- 6pm
At Gungahlin Uniting Church
Contact: 6242 5001

Yarnsters - Coffee, Chat & Craft

Knitters, sewers, crafters & creatives
Every Monday at 7pm
Contact Susan: 6170 2250

Tea & Talk (TnT)

Meets 2nd Friday of the month-10.30am
All ages welcome.
Contact Shirley: 0418 612 656

Our church in prayer

Inviting you to think about our community, the wider church and the world.

This week we pray for the community of Common Ground and Northside Community Services and for everyone affected by the loss of Ross. We also pray for the community around the Food Pantry and GUC who knew Ross and who will miss his presence. We pray for Ross' family and friends who are mourning his loss and that they are surrounded by friends who comfort them and walk with them at this time.

Funeral Notice...

For those who knew Ross Graham and would like to attend a service for him there will be a gathering at Common Ground on Wednesday 1pm.

Lent 2020

Lenten Studies

Monday Mornings (March 2nd, 16th, 23rd, 30th and April 6) 10am to 11:30am

This study will be working through Rowan Williams' book "Being Disciples."

Lenten Reflections

Ranjini Rebera has written a Lenten reflection that is now available for the community to use as a weekly Lenten study.

Read Something Over Lent

We have a collection of books ready for people to borrow, why not read a book as a couple, with a friend, or as your own personal lenten journey? Descriptions of some available books can be found here:

<http://www.gungahlinuniting.org/?cat=51>

Do Something

Consider giving something up over Lent, as an individual or household, use Lent to consider the things that have power over your life. You could give up screens, social media, sugar, late nights, alcohol, coffee, your car, television, buying stuff, food waste...

Lenten Prayer & Worship

Maundy Thursday, April 9th

A service of communion and story, Time TBA

Good Friday, April 10th

Come and reflect on the death of Jesus, Time TBA

Palm Sunday Singing Group-TODAY !

The singing group will be singing a song on Palm Sunday (5 April).

Everyone is welcome to join in – no experience necessary.

If you are interested please meet around the piano at morning tea today, or talk to Ngaire.

Clean Up Australia Day- TODAY after worship

Last year a small contingent of our community walked up The Valley Avenue, joining some members from the Gungahlin Mosque to clean up the area.

Community Meal

On the first Saturday of each month we host a shared meal at GUC for anyone who'd like to come along and eat with friends, strangers and neighbours. Bring along a plate of food to share.

The next meal is **Saturday 7th March from 6pm to 8pm** at Gungahlin Uniting Church & Community Centre, why not bring a friend along.

Breakfast Club

Ngunnawal Primary School has a breakfast club that is staffed by volunteers from local churches. We are looking for people to give a hand on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

If you are able to give weekly, fortnightly, or monthly, please speak with Astrid, Carrie or Liz.

Oasis

At a recent gathering with some families from GUC we raised the issue that we were not able to, nor did we want to continue coordinating Oasis in the way we have for the last year. We have been short of volunteers and people with the passion for the ministry it provides.

For the time being we discussed that we would run Oasis on 1st and 3rd Sundays, and that during 2020 we will focus on practices of faith. On the 1st Sundays we will run a program exploring different christian practices (prayer, fasting, communion...) and on 3rd Sundays we would run a kids church space in the multi-purpose room with scripture, story, song and practices.

1st Sunday - Oasis, a focus on christian practices, initially spending some weeks on prayer (thank you, help, sorry, awe and wonder (praise)

2nd Sunday - All Age Worship & Communion

3rd Sunday - Oasis will meet for a kids church with Darren and Oasis Coordinator, we will provide a space for song, prayer, story and open response time where children can engage with a theme in a way that is natural to them.

4th Sunday - All Age Worship (would it be possible to run a creche on the fourth Sunday for young people too young for Oasis)

5th Sunday - All Age Worship

Medical & Emergency Information

We are in the process of moving our medical and emergency information for young people under 18 at GUC to the same system the Boys and Girls Brigades currently use. CareMonkey (<https://www.caremonkey.com>) is an online system to assist groups in looking after the young people in their care. It will allow us to have access to medical information and seek permission and consent for other events that we may hold as a part of our ministry with young people.

You will be notified in the coming week as to how to fill in your own report, if you have any questions re Care Monkey please chat to Darren, Kat or Bruce.

Draft Policy Consultation

The Church Council have written five policies that are now available for consultation. If you have a passion or interest in policy creation please make time to read and comment. Comments can be emailed to secretary@gungahlinuniting.org or made directly to Matt, Narelle, Bruce or Darren

Policy areas:

fire evacuation

information management

WHS, safety and protection

volunteer

How to give to the Life & Ministry of Gungahlin Uniting Church

People can donate to the life, work, ministry and mission of GUCC through our weekly offering, or by organising a regular electronic transfer. Electronic transfer through UFS is anonymous.

Our electronic bank details are:

Gungahlin UC - Giving Direct
 Uniting Financial Services
 BSB: 634-634
 Account: 100034744

	1 st March	8 th March	15 th March	22 nd March
Worship Leader	Alistair Buchanan	Reeson	Darren Wright	Darren Wright
Message	Darren Wright	Reeson	Alistair Buchanan	Darren Wright
Greeters	Jenelle Martin & Pauline Loughhead	Jenelle Martin & Pauline Loughhead	Jenelle Martin & Pauline Loughhead	Jenelle Martin & Pauline Loughhead
Bible Reader	Narelle Dodd	Elizabeth Phythian	Alison McKenzie	Pauline Loughhead
Prayers for Others	Holly Wright	Brooke Kilah	Ron Reeson	Caroline Wallace
Morning Tea	Sung Lee & Family	Jean Terbeth & ?	Heather Lamb & Bronwen Cobcroft	Mark & Elizabeth Phythian
Flowers	Helen Lehman	Kanthi Fernando	Brooke Kilah	Pauline Loughhead
Offering Counting & Recording	Mark Phythian & Rachael Hogan	Peter Kidd & Jenelle Martin	Eric Holm & Tam Doan	Rosemary Sweet & Mark Phythian
Sound		Chris Martin	Chris Martin	Rob Shelton
Computer		Rob Shelton	Bruce Warren	Chris Martin
Oasis Leader	Ngaire Hosking	---	Darren & Ngaire	---
Communion Bread	---	Elizabeth Phythian		---
BBQ	---	Lachlan Ateye		---