



8<sup>th</sup> 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 8

9:30am All Age Worship

Lead by Ron & Margaret Reeson

### Bible Readings:

Genesis 12:1-4

Psalms 121

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

Matthew 17:1-9

## Sunday March 15

9:30am All Age Worship

Lead by Darren Wright & Alistair Buchanan

### Bible Readings:

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

## Please contact us...

Phone: 6242 5001

Web: [www.gungahlinuniting.org](http://www.gungahlinuniting.org)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/GungahlinUniting/](https://www.facebook.com/GungahlinUniting/)

Darren Wright is our Minister, his day off is Friday

email: [minister@gungahlinuniting.org](mailto:minister@gungahlinuniting.org)

Alison Tweedie is our Church Life Worker

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## 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month after worship  
Contact Jean: 0428 517 595

### Community Meal

Shared meal & celebration  
Meets 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month-10.30am  
All ages welcome.  
Contact Shirley: 0418 612 656

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Worship Leader	Reeson's	Darren Wright	Darren Wright	Darren Wright
Message	Reeson's	Alistair Buchanan	Darren Wright	Darren Wright
Greeters	Jenelle Martin & Pauline Loughhead	Jenelle Martin & Pauline Loughhead	Jenelle Martin & Pauline Loughhead	Jenelle Martin & Pauline Loughhead
Bible Reader	Pauline Loughhead	Alison McKenzie	Elizabeth Phythian	Jack Barnard
Prayers for Others	Brooke Kilah	Ron Reeson	Caroline Wallace	Margaret Reeson
Morning Tea	Jean Terbeth & ?	Heather Lamb & Bronwen Cobcroft	Mark & Elizabeth Phythian	Caroline Wallace & Holly Wright
Flowers	Kanthi Fernando	Brooke Kilah	Pauline Loughhead	Margaret Reeson
Offering Counting & Recording	Peter Kidd & Jenelle Martin	Eric Holm & Tam Doan	Rosemary Sweet & Mark Phythian	Pauline Loughhead & Rachael Hogan
Sound	Chris Martin	Chris Martin	Rob Shelton	Bruce Warren
Computer	Rob Shelton	Bruce Warren	Chris Martin	Rob Shelton
Oasis Leader	---	Darren & Ngaire	---	---
Communion Bread	Jean Terbeth	---	---	---
BBQ	Lachlan Ateye	---	---	---

# Lent 2020

## Lenten Studies

Monday Mornings (March 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

## Lenten Practices

There are many ways of reflecting and preparing our hearts during the period of Lent. Some of us choose to give up something, or donate to something, or live more simply. Some will spent time in reading and thinking about our faith.

One option is to use the material provided by Lent Event, an activity of Uniting World. This year their focus is on Ambon in Indonesia, with programs to build peace between Christians and Muslims in that region, and to beat poverty.

If this interests you, go to [www.lentevent.com](http://www.lentevent.com) for videos, reflections and a way to offer a gift. You can also talk to Margaret Reeson about this, at [margaretreeson@bigpond.com](mailto:margaretreeson@bigpond.com).

## (\*)Lenten Reflections

Rose-Mary Faulkner is creating a visual panorama of figures for each Sunday through Lent ending on Easter Sunday. Each figure/s will connect with the relevant study in GUC Lenten Reflections: *Journeying to the Cross and Beyond*. Be sure to pick up a copy of the Reflections available in the foyer and follow the visual Lenten journey being created.

Last Sunday: *Mary & Martha: The Death of Lazarus*

**TODAY:** *Mary of Bethany: The Anointing of Jesus*

Sunday 15/3: *A Money changer: The Cleansing of the Temple*

Sunday 22/3: *Sophia- an Observer: The Passover Meal*

Sunday 29/3: *An Observer: The Garden of Gethsemane*

Sunday 5/4: *Rachel- a Follower: The Trial & Crucifixion of Jesus*

Easter Sunday: *Mary Magdalene: Death & Resurrection of Jesus.*

## Palm Sunday Singing Group

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

## 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](mailto: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

