



Sunday 20th November
2022

Gungahlin Uniting Church and Community Centre

Socially and environmentally just. Welcoming of the stranger.
Inclusive of all people. Sharing the faith journey together.
Informal and 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, genders, gender identities, ability and viewpoints as we experience life and God together as part of our Christian faith. Gungahlin Uniting is a Christian community of people who don't pretend to know all the answers, but simply seek to follow the way of Christ. You are welcome here in this place and welcome to participate in the life of this community.

Sunday 20th November

9:30am All Age Worship

Lead by Hayley Martin & JJ Hamilton

Bible Readings:

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Luke 1:68-79

Colossians 1:11-20

Luke 23:33-43

Sunday 27th November

9:30am All Age Worship- Advent 1

Lead by Alison McKenzie & Bruce Stevens

Bible Readings:

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalms 122

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:26-44

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

People can donate to the life, work, ministry and mission of GUC through 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

Please contact us...

Phone: 6242 5001

Alison Tweedie is our Church Life Worker

Bruce Stevens is our Supply Minister

Bronwyn Asquith & Jenelle Martin are our
Co-Chair people

Jenelle Martin is our Volunteer Contact

Narelle Dodd is our Safe Church Contact

email: office@gungahlinuniting.org

email: bstevens@csu.edu.au

email: chairperson@gungahlinuniting.org

email: volunteers@gungahlinuniting.org

email: safechurch@gungahlinuniting.org

Groups for you at Gungahlin Uniting

Playgroup

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

Boys' Brigade

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

Girls' Brigade

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

Tea &Talk

Meets 1st Friday of the month -10.30am
Gungahlin Lakes Club coffee shop
All ages welcome
Contact Elizabeth Phythian: 0408 624 163
Tea &Talk is an opportunity for catching up with others from GUC over a cuppa.

Pub Dinner Group

Relaxed conversation and meal
Wednesday- fortnightly 7pm

Spice Kids

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

Home Groups at GUC

At Gungahlin Uniting Church Home Groups give members the opportunity to gather and respond to their spiritual, social, and community needs.

They are a space where people get to know each other, provide support, hospitality, and prayer and there is always lots of fun to be had.

If you would like to join a Home Group please contact a member of the Pastoral Care Team

- Shirley Williams 0418 612 656
 - Elizabeth Phythian 0408 624 163
 - Jenelle Martin 0421 997 173
- pastoralcare@gungahlinuniting.org

Pastoral Care at GUC

At Gungahlin Uniting Church pastoral care encompasses the spiritual, physical, social, emotional, and mental support for members. Through providing a network of care, we ensure that the expressed needs of individuals and families are attended to by a team of people.

Pastoral care may include assistance with transport, meal support, a phone call, or someone visiting you at your home or in the hospital.

Ways to request care:

- ✚ Contact your Home Group leader; or
- ✚ Fill out a 'Care Request Card' and place it in the box labelled 'Care Requests'; or
- ✚ Call the GUC office on 6242 5001 (leave a message if necessary)
- ✚ Email the church office office@gungahlinuniting.org; or
- ✚ Contact a member of the Pastoral Care Team
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Our Church at Prayer...

Inviting you to think about our own church community, the wider church, the world!

- This week we pray for people who are suffering in their health and wellbeing; mental health, physical health and spiritual wellbeing.
- This week we join with the Canberra Region Presbytery in praying for Canberra City Uniting Church. We give thanks for the ministry of this congregation to the surrounding community.
- This week we join with the World Council of Churches in praying for East Timor, Indonesia, Philippines. We are thankful for the vital witness of churches in this region; the diversity of ethnicities, cultures and religious beliefs, and especially those in Indonesia who have built bridges between them. We pray for the governments of these countries, that they will eradicate corruption, establish justice and peace, and work effectively for the wellbeing of all their people; and for all those affected by earthquakes, tsunamis and other natural disasters, and for the rebuilding of communities afterwards.

Church Council November Update

- Church Council met on Monday 7 November
- A draft *Values Statement and Behavioural Covenant for GUC* have been developed to reflect who GUC is and what people can expect of each other based on Biblical principles. These will be sent out via email, on display in the foyer, on the website and paper copies will be available in the foyer. Input and comments are welcomed from the congregation, with the documents to be discussed and finalised at the December Church Council meeting (5/12/22). Final copies of these documents, along with our *Safe Church Statement*, will be displayed in the foyer and on the website. They will also be an important addition to our Mission Statement and Church Profile.
- Church Council noted the Treasurer's report advising that congregational giving is generally on track with the budget. Also noted is that the congregational giving budget is set lower this financial year than pre-COVID, as giving significantly decreased during COVID and has not yet returned to pre-COVID levels. The reduced giving levels compared to previous years may have implications relating to whether we can budget for calling a full time or part time Minister.

Congregational Giving

Month	Budget	Actual Giving	Budget Total (Cumulative)	Actual Giving Total (Cumulative)
JUL	\$7,500	\$7,100	\$7,500	\$7,100
AUG	\$7,500	\$7,246	\$15,000	\$14,346
SEP	\$7,500	\$8,178	\$22,500	\$22,524
OCT	\$7,500	\$8,623	\$30,000	\$31,147

Pizza Night- Saturday 26th November, 6pm

An invitation from Bruce and Ann to their place. Saturday 26th November, 6pm.

91 Mugga Way, Red Hill. Bring a salad or sweets, and a drink to share. Pizzas will be provided (including gluten free). Please RSVP by adding your name to the 'Pizza Night RSVP Form' in the church foyer or by emailing the office at office@gungahlinuniting.org.

Please indicate if you would like to bring a salad or sweet.

Women & Girl's Breakfast – Saturday 3 December, 8.30am for 9am

Come join us for breakfast at Siren Bar & Restaurant (Corner of Anthony Rolfe Ave and Gozzard Street, Gungahlin). A great opportunity to catch up with other GUC women and girls over a leisurely breakfast. Add your name to list in the foyer to give us an idea of numbers – however you are also welcome to just turn up on the day. For further information talk to Elizabeth Phythian.

Men's and Boy's Breakfast – Saturday 10 December, 8.30am for 9am

Come join us for breakfast at Siren Bar & Restaurant (Corner of Anthony Rolfe Ave and Gozzard Street, Gungahlin). A great opportunity to catch up with other GUC men and boys over a leisurely breakfast. Add your name to list in the foyer to give us an idea of numbers – however you are also welcome to just turn up on the day. See Mark Phythian for further information.

Rosters

	3 rd Sunday 20 th November	4 th Sunday 27 th November	1 st Sunday 4 th December	2 nd Sunday 11 th December	3 rd Sunday 18 th December
Greeters	Josephine Deo & Alison Tweedie	Josephine Deo & Alison Tweedie	Carina Moeller & Alison Tweedie	Carina Moeller & Elizabeth Phythian	Jenelle Martin & Sue Lloyd
English Bible Reader	Bec Hobson	Sue Llyod	Patsy Coleman	Narelle Dodd	Alison McKenzie
Language Bible Reader	Riyadh Baliha	Sumira Sheraz	Johno/Ellie Jun	Shirley Williams	Fatin Magades
Prayers for Others	Prince Jyubeh	Margaret Reeson	Ian Bartholomew	Chris Dodd	Brooke Kilah
Leader	Hayley Martin	Alison McKenzie	Lynne Butson	Chris Dodd	Brooke Kilah
Preacher	Jemimah Hamilton	Bruce Stevens	Andrew Johnson	Bruce Stevens	Bruce Warren
Flowers	Eric Holm	Shirley Williams	Kanthi Fernando	Margaret Reeson	Patsy Coleman
Sound	Bruce Warren	Tom Martin	Bruce Warren	Rob Shelton	Chris Martin
Computer	Clive Walmsley	Chris Martin	Tom Martin	Bruce Warren	Tom Martin
Morning Tea	Mark & Elizabeth Phythian	---	Patsy Coleman & Jean Terbeth	---	Mark & Lynne Butson
Communion Preparation	---	---	---	Jenelle Martin	---
Musician/Pianist	Alison McKenzie	Yoo-Mi Kim			
Oasis Leader	---	---	---	---	School Holidays
Billabong	Elizabeth Phythian & Sue Lloyd		Elizabeth Phythian & Sue Lloyd		School Holidays

Advent & Christmas Worship at Gungahlin Uniting

The season of Advent and Christmas begins on Sunday 27th November.

You are invited to join us at Gungahlin Uniting Church as we celebrate the coming of Christ into our world.

Advent Reflections- A series of brief daily reflections is available, both online and a print version, for use during Advent. These Reflections were written by our dear friend, the late Ranjini Rebera, originally for Advent 2015.

Advent 1: Sunday 27th November

9.30am Morning Worship. Leader Alison McKenzie. Preacher Bruce Stevens

Advent 2: Sunday 4th December

9.30am Morning Worship. Leader Lynne Butson. Preacher Andrew Johnson

Everything in Common Stall.

An opportunity to buy gifts and cards that support ministries and development in Asia and the Pacific through Uniting World. https://everythingincommon.com.au/?gclid=CjwKCAiA68ebBhB-Ei-wALVC-NmMn4IRgB6yLwTd4pv3gZ0m9jUN_aQWZurH-1jNkBx-pFgoTDxixKRoCtglQAvD_BwE

If you need any cards or gift cards before 4th December, speak to Margaret Reeson- 0404 148 201

Advent 3: Sunday 11th December

9.30am Morning Worship. Holy Communion. Led by Chris Dodd. Preacher Bruce Stevens.

Singing Group led by Jessica Marchant. Tell Jess if you would like to sing with the group and to find out about rehearsals. Jess: 0418 266 851

Everything in Common stall, available again.

5.30pm Christmas Singalong and Snags

A wholesome festive sausage-in-bread early dinner and singing our favourite Christmas songs. Please dress up in Christmas bling! Led by Jessica Marchant. Sign-up sheet in the foyer to help with catering planning.

Advent 4: Sunday 18th December

9.30am Morning Worship. Led by Brooke Kilah. Preacher Bruce Warren

6.00pm Blue Christmas service. This is a quiet time of reflection for those who are finding Christmas difficult. Led by Margaret Reeson

Christmas Eve service- Saturday 24th December -8.30pm Led by Chris Dodd

Christmas Day service- Sunday 25th December -9.30am Led by Bruce Stevens