



Sunday 18th February
2024

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 18th February

9:30am All Age Worship

Lead by Lynne Butson & Jemimah Hamilton

Bible Readings

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-10

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15

Sunday 25th February

9:30am All Age Worship

Lead by Alison McKenzie & Prince Jyubeh

Bible Readings

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Psalm 22:23-31

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38 / Mark 9:2-9

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

Jenelle Martin is our Church Council Chair

Narelle Dodd is our Safe Church &

Volunteer Contact

Colin Christian is our Work Health & Safety Contact

email: office@gungahlinuniting.org

email: chairperson@gungahlinuniting.org

email: safechurch@gungahlinuniting.org

email: volunteers@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
Contact: Matt Grudnoff via
office@gungahlinuniting.org

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

Library in the Quiet Room

There is a library of books, located in the Quiet Room, available for borrowing. Make a note in the "borrowing book" of the books taken and when they have been returned.

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 the Pastoral Care Team.

Shirley Williams 0418 612 656
Jenelle Martin 0421 997 173
Elizabeth Phythian 0408 624 163
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
- Call the GUC office on 6242 5001 (leave a message if necessary)
- Email the church office
office@gungahlinuniting.org
- Contact the Pastoral Care Team
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Governance at GUC

GUC has a number of policies which support the safe running of the church:

- GUC Volunteer & Safe Church Policy, including the Volunteer Manual and Volunteer Code of Conduct
 - GUC Work, Health & Safety Policy
 - GUC Information Management Policy
- These can be found under the Church Resources tab on our website
www.gungahlinuniting.org

Our Church at Prayer...

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

- This week we give thanks and pray for our audio-visual team. This is a small group of people led by Chris M who each week work behind the scenes looking after our sound and data projection for Sunday worship and who set-up Zoom for those who cannot attend in person. We thank them for their faithful service and the sharing of their gifts and abilities in serving our church in this way.
- This week we join the Canberra Region Presbytery in praying for Saltbush. Pray for the team including our new members, Rev. Natasha He and Rev Yvonne Ghavalas. Natasha and her family are living in Dubbo, Yvonne is living in Newcastle. Pray for those living in rural and coastal locations who find the demands of being part of the church wearisome and overwhelming. Pray for ongoing understanding that Saltbush is a ministry, nurturing faith, and the spiritual life, and not simply products and programmes.
- This week we join with the World Council of Churches in praying for France, Germany, Monaco. We pray for economic decisions that are accountable to those who are most vulnerable and not only to those making a profit; and for election of political leaders who will further the common good not only for their country but for the sake of Europe and the rest of world.

Church Council February Update

From our Church Council meeting on Monday 12 February:

- Council approved the 'Approval for Ministry' (an annual task) for Mustard Seed Food Pantry and Cafe, Girls' Brigade, Boys' Brigade, Billabong, and Food Garden.
- We are waiting to hear from Presbytery about a date for the Induction Service for Hugh, which will be sometime in March. Once a date is set, we will request volunteers to assist with catering for the service's afternoon tea.
- An audit of the church keys is underway.
- A big thank you to all the volunteers who have assisted in 'zhooshing' the Manse to get it ready for Hugh and Yoohe. A special thanks to Narelle and Chris for the mammoth task of painting the inside of the house.
- March's Church Council meeting will be moved forward a week to Monday 4 March to avoid the Canberra Day public holiday.

With Love to the World

The latest edition of *With Love to the World* is available now. *With Love to the World* is a short daily devotional guide published by the Uniting Church. Each day has a brief reading, a reflection and some prayer guidance. If you would like a copy they are available in the foyer. If you are able to make a donation of \$5 then feel free, but if you simply want to take a copy you are welcome. Please place donations in the Donation/Giving Box attached to the wall near the office window.

Oasis

For the first few weeks of this term, Oasis will be exploring the concept of faith through the story of Daniel in the lions' den. Oasis is open to all kids from Kinder to Year 5.

(Belated) Spring Cleaning the Church



To have the GUC building sparkling clean for Hugh and Yoonhee's arrival we'll be holding a couple of short working bees. This will include tasks that are not done by the church cleaner – removing cobwebs inside and out, dusting, cleaning window ledges and washing windows inside and out.

If you are able to stay **after church on Sunday 25 February**, we'll see what we can achieve before the Korean Church arrive to set up. We'll then have a second power session to complete anything left on the list at **9.30am Saturday morning 2 March**.

Please add your name to the lists in the foyer if you are able to help, or just turn up on the day. If anyone has window cleaning gadgets/tools, please note this on the list. Any questions, please see Elizabeth Phythian.



GIRLS' BRIGADE
Australian Capital Territory
GUNG AHLIN

At Girls' Brigade we try new things, play games, learn new skills, go on camps, make new friends, explore the Bible and experience God's love. If you are a girl from Kindergarten to Year 12 you are welcome to come. We meet at Northside Salvation Army, right next door to Gungahlin Uniting.

At Boys' Brigade we have fun, be adventurous, build relationships, and treat others with respect. We also love to play dodgeball!, go canoeing, go on bike rides, go hiking and camping, play computer games and have nerf gun battles. We have three groups- Anchors, Junior and Seniors for boys between 5 to 18 years old.

Girls' and Boys' Brigades run every Wednesday night, from 6:30pm to 8pm during school terms. Come along and try us out.

Please contact Liz and Bruce Warren for more information.

There are brochures in the church foyer.

Newcomers Afternoon Tea

Are you new(ish) to the GUC community?

You are invited to an afternoon tea on Saturday 6 April at 2.00pm at the church building. You will meet some members of the Church Council and some of our Home Group and Pastoral Care leaders.



RSVP to Jenelle Martin – jenelle.martin@gungahlinuniting.org by Wednesday 3 April.

February

	3 rd Sunday 18 th February	4 th Sunday 25 th February	1 st Sunday 3 rd March	2 nd Sunday 10 th March	3 rd Sunday 17 th March
Greeters	Heather Lamb & Natalie Yule	Heather Lamb & Natalie Yule	BB Service	Lily Ting & Tamara F McShane	Lily Ting & Tamara F McShane
English Bible Reader	Kanthi Fernando	Tamara F McS	BB	Alistair Buchanan	Arthur Langford-Smith
Language Bible Reader	Yoo-Mi Kim	Shirley Williams	BB	Kanthi Fernando	Yoo-Mi Kim
Prayers for Others	Jemimah Hamilton	Prince Jyubeh	BB	Rose-Mary Faulkner-Schwartz	Chris Dodd
Leader	Lynne Butson	Alison McKenzie	BB	Jess Marchant	Chris Dodd
Preacher	Jemimah Hamilton	Prince Jyubeh	BB	Jemimah Hamilton	Hugh Park
All-Age Message	Lynne Butson	Alison McKenzie	BB	Jess Marchant	Hugh Park
Flowers	Kanthi Fernando	Patsy Coleman	Shirley Williams	Shirley Holm	Kanthi Fernando
Sound	Craig McShane	Elijah King	Alistair Buchanan	Chris Martin	Rob Shelton
Computer	Chris Martin	Mark Phythian	Chris Martin	Elijah King	Mark Phythian
Morning Tea	JJ & Bec Hobson	---	Jenelle Martin & Patsy Coleman	---	Billabong
Communion Preparation	---	---	---	Mark & Elizabeth Phythian	---
Pianist	Margaret Reeson	Margaret Reeson	Yoo-Mi Kim	Alison McKenzie	Alison McKenzie
Musicians	Prince, John, Chung	Mark, John, Chung	Prince, John, Chung	Mark, John, Chung	Prince, John, Chung
Singers	Jessica	Vanessa & Rose	Jess & Rose	Vanessa	Jess & Rose
Oasis Leader	Liz Warren	Liz Warren	No Oasis	Liz Warren	Liz Warren
Billabong Leader	Elizabeth Phythian	---	No Billabong	---	Elizabeth Phythian & Lynne Butson