



Sunday 24th & 31st March
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 24th March- Palm Sunday

9:30am All Age Worship
Lead by Rev Hugh Park

Bible Readings

Isaiah 50:4-9
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Mark 11:1-11, John 12:12-16, Mark 14,
Mark 15

Sunday 31st March- Easter

9:30am All Age Worship
Lead by Rev Hugh Park

Bible Readings

Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 118:1-2,14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 Mark 16:1-8

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

Rev. Hugh Park is our Minister
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: minister@gungahlinuniting.org
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 Food Pantry & Food Garden Co-ordinators and all our food garden/pantry volunteers. We give thanks for this part of our church life and for the way it has provided involvement, community, compassion and food.
- This week we join the Canberra Region Presbytery in praying for Braidwood Uniting Church From Rev Graham Long: We start all our worship services with a session called, "Captured by the Awesome". Each week people share how they have been captured by the awesome through the week. We get stories of ant hills, conversations between birds, stories of grandchildren, sunsets etc. It reminds us that God's awesome presence is always present and in every moment, there is cause to say, "wow". Dear to our hearts are our people who make our Op Shop run each week. It's a tremendous effort of love. Probably the most effective youth work in town is being done by Braidwood Youth Performance Association. They run a drop in on Friday evenings – on Wednesday evenings there is a "circus skills" session for young people – there is a group of teenagers learning to do podcasts and the local radio has offered to put various sessions to air. The leaders have wasted precious life making many submissions for funds. We recently (in the last couple of days) gave the group \$25,000 to encourage them and turbo charge their work. They are planning to put on their own "Cirque de Soleil" for the town later this year. The value to our congregation for this investment might be between marginal to nil although we do have a young family with three kids who are involved in this group. I personally attend a session most weeks for the sake of building relationships with the leadership. Who knows where this will go? A jolly good call to prayer I would say.
- This week we join with the World Council of Churches in praying for Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia. We are thankful for the faithful witness of Christians here through the centuries, especially in times of occupation and persecution and for the peaceful resolution of disputes. We pray for growth in spiritual as well as physical health; and for democratic governance that advances God's justice and peace for all.

Worship at Gungahlin Uniting- Easter 2024

Good Friday 29th March 9.30am

A service for all ages as we recall the events of the death of Jesus Christ.

Easter Sunday 31st March 9.30am

A gathering of community for celebration at the life Christ gives to us and to the world.

Name Tags

With our new Minister, Hugh, and his wife, Yoonhee, joining GUC and getting to know everyone, please pop your name tag on each week to make it easier for them to know your name.

Don't have one or have lost yours? Please add your name to the list on the clipboard in the foyer so a new one can be made for you.

April Tea & Talk (T&T)

The next T&T (an opportunity for catching up with other GUC community members over a cuppa) is on **Friday 5th April, 10.30am**. As usual, it will be held at the Gungahlin Lakes Club Coffee Shop. Everyone is welcome. See Elizabeth P if you require more information.

Vegie Garden Get Together

Our next garden get together will be on **Saturday 6th April, from 9am**.

Everyone is welcome to come along and help with the vegie garden. If it is raining on the day, we will cancel. Please contact Mark Phythian if you have any questions or require further information.



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.

ME TOO!

YES!

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

The graphic features a group of diverse, stylized people in various colors and poses, standing on a green grassy field under a light blue sky with white clouds. Two speech bubbles, one pink saying 'ME TOO!' and one green saying 'YES!', are positioned above the group.

Women's & Men's Breakfast in 2024

You are invited to attend breakfast with friends at Siren's Bar & Restaurant, corner Anthony Rolfe Avenue & Gozzard Street, Gungahlin.

Women's & Girls Breakfast- 9am Saturday 20th April

Men's & Boy's Breakfast – 9am Saturday 27th April

Save the Date...

Women's Breakfast- 12th October

Men's Breakfast- 19th October

See Shirley W for more information. Sign up sheets will be available in early April.

Pack your sleeping bag, because **Kids Camp Out (KCO)** is back for 2024!

We hope to see you there!

It's big on community, fun & exploring who Jesus is to us!

KCO is focused at Primary schoolers in grades 3-6,
plus a chance for junior high schoolers to have some
leadership training and experience!

There will be worship, swimming, night program,
big activities, small groups, games and free time together.

For more information see –

<https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/calendar/kids-camp-out-2024/>

If interested, please contact Narelle Dodd

narelle.dodd@gungahlinuniting.org 0422 000 476



	4 th Sunday 24 th March	5 th Sunday 31 st March Easter	1 st Sunday 7 th April	2 nd Sunday 14 th April	3 rd Sunday 21 st April
Greeters	Lily Ting & Tamara F McShane	Lily Ting & Tamara F McShane	Lily Ting & Tamara F McShane	Lynne Butson & Elizabeth Phythian	Lynne Butson & Elizabeth Phythian
English Bible Reader	Bec Hobson	Natalie Yule	Patsy Coleman	Cass Nokham	Renee Buchanan
Language Bible Reader	Lily Ting	Sumira Sheraz	Carina Moeller	Lily Ting	Shirley Williams
Prayers for Others	Alistair Buchanan	Arthur Langford-Smith	Patsy Coleman	Carina Moeller	Prince Jyubeh
Leader	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
Preacher	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
All-Age Message	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
Flowers	Margaret Reeson	Eric Holm	Patsy Coleman	Margaret Reeson	Shirley Williams
Sound	Craig McShane	Chris Martin	Alistair Buchanan	Chris Martin	Elijah King
Computer	Alistair Buchanan	Bruce Warren	Chris Martin	Mark Phythian	Craig McShane
Morning Tea	---	Mark & Lynne Butson	Mark Phythian & Cass Nokham	---	Eric & Shirley Holm
Communion Preparation	---	---	---	Shirley Williams & Lily Ting	---
Pianist	Margaret Reeson	Yoo-Mi Kim	Yoo-Mi Kim	Alison McKenzie	Alison McKenzie
Musicians	Prince, John, Chung	Mark, John, Chung	Prince, John, Chung	Mark, John, Chung	Prince, John, Chung
Singers	Vanessa & Rose	Jess & Rose	Vanessa & Rose	Jessica	Vanessa & Rose
Oasis Leader	Liz Warren	No Oasis	Liz Warren	School Holidays	School Holidays
Billabong Leader	---	No Billabong	Elizabeth Phythian & Lynne Butson	School Holidays	School Holidays