



Sunday 26th May
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 26th May

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

Bible Readings

Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17

Sunday 2nd June

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

Bible Readings

1 Samuel 3:1-10,11-20
Psalm 139:1-6,13-18
2 Corinthians 4:5-12
Mark 2:23-3:6

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 pray for families in our congregation and for our young adults and children who find themselves in times of struggle in a complex world, and who feel it hard to find peace within themselves.
- This week we join the Canberra Region Presbytery in praying for Monaro Parish (Cooma and Bombala). We pray for God's help with identifying a ministry agent for a 50% placement; for continued viability of the organisations using the facilities in this time of cost of living issues; and for volunteer support with our work with primary schools.
- This week we join with the World Council of Churches in praying for Angola, Mozambique. We are thankful for the rich natural resources in these countries, which God intends for the good of all. We pray for better sanitation, health services, and protection of the environment in these lands; and for governments that are transparent and further the good of all the people, rather than being captive to foreign and business interests.

Congregational Photo

On Sunday 24th March, a photo of the congregation was taken. As announced on the day, we plan to use this photo for promotional purposes, including on the web. If you are in the photo and you do not wish for you or your children to be visible, please either advise the people at the sound desk or email Alison, our Church Life Worker, at office@gungahlinuniting.org.

Church Council Update

Church Council met on Monday 13 May. At this meeting:

- Church Council endorsed the audit reports for 2021-22 and 2022-23
- We discussed safe church requirements for parents in Oasis
- We received an email from the Moderator of the NSW/ACT Synod following the recent stabbing of a priest in the Assyrian Church in Sydney. It concerned emergency and risk plans. Church council will continue to look at our emergency response plans and will update you throughout the year
- Church Council has agreed that we will do an evacuation drill sometime this year
- Synod is running *Acknowledgement of Country* training over zoom on 30th May through [Acknowledge this!](#)
- Church Council also wants to publicise that Hugh does not work Wednesday – it is his day off. It would be appreciated if we respect this sabbath

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 or through the *tap & go* Square terminal.

Need to go to Oasis to support your child?

Sometimes children can be nervous going to Oasis and want Mum or Dad (or another adult caregiver) to go with them. It's great having parents there to support their child. And while there, we know that sometimes parents might co-incidentally also assist other children in activities. Church Council recently sought advice from the ACT Government on their requirements in those instances. We continue to welcome parents attending Oasis to support their child. However, based on that advice, we ask that unless you hold a Working With Vulnerable People's card, you limit your support to just your child.

Roster	4 th Sunday 26 th May	1 st Sunday 2 nd June	2 nd Sunday 9 th June	3 rd Sunday 16 th June	4 th Sunday 23 rd June
Greeters	Bec Hobson & Natalie Yule	Eric & Shirley Holm	Eric & Shirley Holm	Eric & Shirley Holm	Eric & Shirley Holm
English Bible Reader	Arthur Langford-Smith	Tamara Fullard-McShane	Esther King	Renee Buchanan	Natalie Yule
Language Bible Reader	Yoo-Mi Kim	Carina Moeller	Sumira Sheraz	Lily Ting	Kanthen Fernando
Prayers for Others	Margaret Reeson	Alistair Buchanan	Chris Dodd	Patsy Coleman	Brooke Kilah
Leader	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	
All-Age Message	Rev. Hugh Park	Rev. Hugh Park		Jessica Marchant	Renee Buchanan
Flowers	Eric Holm	Kanthen Fernando	Patsy Coleman	Margaret Reeson	Shirley Holm
Sound	Elijah King	Chris Martin	Rob Shelton	Craig McShane	Elijah King
Computer	Chris Martin	Alistair Buchanan	Mark Phythian	Bruce Warren	Chris Martin
Morning Tea	Vanessa Yule & Tamara F-McS	Heather Lamb & Patsy Coleman	JJ Hamilton & Bec Hobson	Jenelle Martin & Lily Ting	Rose-Mary, Alexandra & June Faulkner
Communion Preparation	---	---	Tamara F-McS & Elizabeth Phythian	---	---
Pianist	Yoo-Mi Kim	Alison McKenzie	Alison McKenzie	Margaret Reeson	Margaret Reeson
Musicians	Mark, John, Adnan, Chung	Prince, John, Adnan, Chung	Mark, John, Adnan, Chung	Prince, John, Adnan, Chung	Mark, John, Adnan, Chung
Singers	Vanessa	Vanessa	Jessica, Rose	Vanessa, Rose	Jessica
Music Practice	---		---	---	---
Oasis Leader	Liz Warren	Caroline Wallace	Caroline Wallace	Caroline Wallace	Caroline Wallace
Billabong Leader	---	Elizabeth Phythian & Lynne Butson	---	Elizabeth Phythian & Lynne Butson	