



Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September  
2025

# Gungahlin Uniting Church and Community Centre

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 7<sup>th</sup> September

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

### Bible Readings

Jeremiah 18:1-11  
Psalm 139:1-6,13-18  
Philemon 1-21  
Luke 14:25-33

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September

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

### Bible Readings

Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28  
Psalm 14  
1 Timothy 1:12-17  
Luke 15:1-10

## 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  
(Hugh's day off is Wednesday)

Alison Tweedie is our Church Life Worker

Alison McKenzie is our Church Council Chair

Safe Church & Volunteer Contact

Colin Christian is our Work Health & Safety Contact

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

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

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

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

email: [volunteers@gungahlinuniting.org](mailto: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 0450 356 147

### Girls' Brigade

For girls Kindergarten-Year 12  
Wednesday 6.30pm  
Gungahlin Salvation Army  
Contact: Liz 0439 879 339



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### Tea &Talk

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> 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: John McKenzie

### Spice Kids

Meets 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Please note:

Our minister's day off is Wednesday.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:office@gungahlinuniting.org)
- Contact the Pastoral Care Team  
Shirley Williams 0418 612 656  
Jenelle Martin 0421 997 173  
Elizabeth Phythian 0408 624 163  
[pastoralcare@gungahlinuniting.org](mailto:pastoralcare@gungahlinuniting.org)

## 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](http://www.gungahlinuniting.org)

## Our Church at Prayer...

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

- Lord, be with the young people in our world. Protect them from danger. Give them hope when they lose hope. Comfort them when they are troubled. Show us how to be there for the ones in our orbit.
- This week we join the Canberra Region Presbytery in praying for Wesley Uniting Church. Pray for the change of ministers from Geoff to Daniel in January 2026 and the ongoing ministry of Bruce Stevens at Wesley. Pray for the work of the CRISP Team (Community Refugee Integration Settlement Pilot) at Wesley as we have just welcomed a family of 6 from Syria.
- This week we join with the World Council of Churches in praying for Benin, Ivory Coast, Togo. We are thankful for the produce that small farmers continue to grow amid environmental and other hardships. We pray for churches faithfully bringing the gospel to, and serving, all people with greater respect for how those of other faiths express their spirituality.

## Funeral for Pam

There will be a funeral to acknowledge and celebrate the life of Pam Thompson at Gungahlin Uniting Church-**10.30am on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September** followed by refreshments at The Lakes Club after the service (11.45am). The service will also be streamed on-line.

## Invitation

Wattle Park congregation invites friends from GUC to join them for a Hymalong. Come and sing your old favourites once again. There will be a light morning tea to follow.  
**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 10.30 am**

## Women's Breakfast

All women and girls are invited to come along to a social breakfast to share time with others from church. You are also welcome to bring a friend. Breakfast menu items range from \$11 to \$28 plus tea/coffee. There will be a sign-up sheet in the church foyer to help us estimate numbers.

**When:** 9am on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September

**Where:** Siren Bar and Restaurant, 30 Anthony Rolfe Avenue, Gungahlin (opposite the Emergency Services station) For any questions, please see Shirley at church.

## Men's Breakfast

All men and boys are invited to come along to a social breakfast to share time with others from church. You are also welcome to bring a friend. Breakfast menu items range from \$11 to \$28 plus tea/coffee. There will be a sign-up sheet in the church foyer to help us estimate numbers.

**When:** 9am on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September

**Where:** Siren Bar and Restaurant, 30 Anthony Rolfe Avenue, Gungahlin

## Interested in leading a children or youth group but would like some training?



### Godly Play 3-day core training in Canberra - seeking expressions of interest

Godly Play is a creative storytelling method which invites the listener to connect faith stories and personal experience through wondering questions and open-ended response. It is used with adults and children in a variety of setting, from local churches, to schools, aged care and pastoral visiting.

There has been a growing interest for a core training in the ACT, so we are putting the word out further to see if we have enough people to go ahead. Most likely timing is early

2026. Email [narelle.dodd@gungahlinuniting.org](mailto:narelle.dodd@gungahlinuniting.org) to let us know you're keen and we'll keep in touch as the opportunity shapes up.

## RENEW 2026



Renew is an opportunity for school leavers and young adults to spend a year of your life discovering your place in God's renewal of all things. It's a year to grow as a disciple of Jesus and in your leadership capacity. It is designed to teach these things the way Jesus did - on the road, in real life, through lived experience. Throughout the year are a series of trips and adventures that Renew participants will go on, anchored by mentoring and service in your local church. If interested, please contact [narelle.dodd@gungahlinuniting.org](mailto:narelle.dodd@gungahlinuniting.org) To find out more and read the full prospectus - visit <https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/resources/renew/>

# Roster

	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> October
Greeters	Josephine Deo & Yoon Hee Park	Josephine Deo & Yoon Hee Park	Josephine Deo & Yoon Hee Park	Josephine Deo & Yoon Hee Park	Carina Moeller & Ben Ram
English Bible Reader	Tamara Fullard-McShane	Elizabeth Phythian	Ben Ram	Reeba Nasim	Alison Halliday
Language Bible Reader	Reeba Nasim	Cindy Han	Kanthi Fernando	Sung Lee	Lily Ting
Prayers for Others	Cate Wilkinson	Margaret Reeson	Prince Jyubeh	YoonHee Park	Kanthi Fernando
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	Renee Buchanan	Cindy Han	Jess Marchant	Reeba Nasim	Rev Hugh Park
Flowers	Patsy Coleman	Margaret Reeson	Shirley Williams	Eric Holm	Kanthi Fernando
Sound	Rob Shelton	Craig McShane	Nathan Frystak	Chris Martin	Rob Shelton
Computer	Nathan Frystak	Elijah King	Vanessa Yule	Bruce Warren	Mark Phythian
Morning Tea	Billabong	Suzy Shelton & Cass Nokham	Heather Lamb & Cindy Han	Mark & Lynne Butson	Suzy Shelton & Dasuni Kekulawala
Communion Preparation	Shirley Williams				Faulkner Family
BBQ		Alistair Buchanan & Mark Butson			
Pianist	Alison McKenzie	Lindy Baldwin	Lindy Baldwin	Alison McKenzie	Alison McKenzie
Musicians	Prince John Adnan Chung YooMi	Mark John Adnan Chung YooMi	Prince John Adnan Chung YooMi	Mark John Adnan Chung	Prince John Adnan Chung YooMi
Singers	Renee Vanessa	Jessica Cate	Renee Brooke	Jessica Cate	Renee Vanessa
Music Practice				🎵🎵	
Oasis Leader	Liz Warren	Liz Warren	Liz Warren		
Billabong Leader	Elizabeth Phythian & Lynne Butson		Elizabeth Phythian & Lynne Butson		

## Are you new at Gungahlin Uniting?

*If so, then you are invited to tear off this portion, fill it in, and either place it in the offering bag we pass around in the service, or give it to the person who greeted you as you came in.*

<p>Last Name: _____</p> <p>First Name: _____</p> <p>Children's Name/s: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>_____ Post Code _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <p>Email: _____</p>	<p>Please <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> any boxes below:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This is my/our first time here</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am new to the area</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am visiting from another church</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I/we would like a name tag</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I/we would like to be added to the church news email list</p>
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