



Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March  
2026

# 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 15<sup>th</sup> March

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

### Bible Readings

1 Samuel 16:1-13  
Psalm 23  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
John 9:1-41

## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

9:30am All Age Worship  
Lead by Andrew Johnson

### Bible Readings

Ezekiel 37:1-14  
Psalm 130  
Romans 8:6-11  
John 11:1-45

## 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  
Church Council Chair  
Safe Church Officer

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)

## Please note:

Our minister's day off is Wednesday.

## 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

### Friendship Group

Meets fortnightly at GUC- Wednesday 10am  
Bring a craft or game and share a cuppa  
Contact: Marion Watt 0414 824 139

### 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](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)

## Church Contact Directory

A new Church Contact Directory for 2026 is being prepared. For this to happen we need to have everyone's correct and up to date details. Please fill in the form and return to the church office via the big pink box in the foyer. In addition to completing your details please make sure to tick the boxes you consent to having printed in the new directory.

## Lent Event

Many Christians take time during the 40 days of Lent to pray, give and act in ways that reflect God's love for the world. One way of helping us focus is through Lent Event, a program of Uniting World. Resources are available through [www.lentevent.com.au](http://www.lentevent.com.au). Leaflets are also available at GUC, to explain the process.

One way is take the challenge of '40 For the Future', which invites us to change how we eat, travel, shop and use energy for 40 days to help create a more sustainable future, and raise funds for communities impacted by climate crisis.

## Seeking an Oasis Leader for Term 2

We are looking for someone to lead Oasis in Term 2. As this is a position working with children, we would like to invite a person who has been with the community for a reasonable period.

They would need to meet safe church requirements including a Working with Vulnerable People clearance. Appropriate resources can be sourced if that is your preference.

You will be supported each week by 2 assistant leaders.

If you are interested, please talk to Renee Buchanan or Jenelle Martin.

## Seeking Girls' Brigade Leaders

Girls' Brigade is looking for leaders. Girls' Brigade is one of our church's ministries that reaches out to school aged girls in the Gungahlin and wider community. Girl's Brigade Australia is part of a worldwide Christian movement that has partnered with churches for over 125 years.

Together we are committed to seeing **girls' lives transformed and God's world enriched**.

Together we help girls and leaders **seek, serve and follow Christ**.

Girls' Brigade promotes learning life skills and living life to the full, with Christ at the centre of our lives, through age appropriate activities, working with women who have a passion for working with girls in this setting. Leaders must have a current WWVP, or be willing to obtain one. They are fully trained, with Safe Ministry training, church safe environments training, as well as leader training. If you are interested in finding out more, please talk to Liz Warren.

## Fundraising @ GUC

We are looking for enthusiastic people to help GUC fundraise. This is an opportunity for us to come together to build community through our joint efforts as well as to reach out to the Gungahlin community.

As part of our grant application for a *Family & Young People's Ministry Facilitator*, we undertook to co-fund the position drawing on increases in giving, our savings and fundraising. We undertook to raise \$5000pa, rising to \$10,000 in years four and five.

Now is the time to start planning, as it takes a while for fund raising to grow. If you are interested in being part of a small team imagining how we might build community through fund raising, please talk to our Minister, Hugh Park, or email him on [minister@gungahlinuniting.org](mailto:minister@gungahlinuniting.org)

# Additional 2026 Church Council Nomination(s)



QR Code for online submissions

Nominations for additional 2026 Church Council Members are now open.

The additional members will support Renee Buchanan, Colin Christian, Lyell McCormick (youth member), John McKenzie, Reeba Nasim, Matthew Phythian (youth member), Margaret Reeson and Robert Shelton on Church Council.

Please prayerfully consider people who you would like to see join your 2026 Church Council. It is expected that people who are nominated for Church Council at GUC have been part of the GUC community for a reasonable period and reflect the diversity of our congregation in age, gender and ethnicity.

**Nominations close Sunday, 5 April 2026.**

Paper forms are also available in the foyer.

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For information on the role of Church Council and members, please refer to the Uniting Church Synod of NSW & ACT *Church Council Ministry Role & Regulations*.



## 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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# ROSTER

	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> March Palm Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> April Easter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> April
Greeters	Marion Watt & Patsy Coleman	Marion Watt & Patsy Coleman	Marion Watt & Patsy Coleman	Heather Lamb & Rudo Madzorera	Heather Lamb & Rudo Madzorera
English Bible Reader	Tanya & William Johnson	Bec Hobson	Billabong	Alison Halliday	Tinashe Murangandi
Language Bible Reader	Alicia Zhou	Carina Moella	Billabong	Sung Lee	Fatin Magades
Prayers for Others	Cate Wilkinson	Margaret Reeson	Billabong	Reeba Nasim	Jacqui Frasersmith
Leader	Rev Hugh Park	Andrew Johnson	Billabong	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
Preacher	Rev Hugh Park	Andrew Johnson	Billabong	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
All-Age Message	Jacqui Frasersmith	Cindy Han	Jessica Marchant	Umesh Jayasinghe	Reeba Nasim
Flowers	Margaret Reeson	Kanthi Fernando	Billabong	Marjorie Fryszak	Shirley Williams
Sound	Nathan Frystak	Chris Martin	Chris Martin & Scott Jilbert	Chris Martin	Craig McShane
Computer	Mark Phythian & Scott Jilbert	Vanessa Yule	Bruce Warren	Nathan Frystak	Umesh Jayasinghe
Morning Tea	Lily Ting & Alicia Zhou	Suzy Shelton & Marianne Schreuder	Tamara Fullard McShane & Marjorie Fryszak	Hae Kyeong Kim & Yoon Hee Kim	Mark & Elizabeth Phythian
Communion Preparation				Shirley Williams & Alicia Zhou	
BBQ					Mark Phythian
Pianist	Alison McKenzie	Yoo-Mi Kim	Yoo-Mi Kim	Lindy Baldwin	Lindy Baldwin
Musicians	John, Adnan, Chung, Yoo-Mi	Mark, John, Adnan, Chung,	Prince, John, Adnan, Chung,	Prince, Adnan, Chung, Yoo-Mi	Prince, John, Adnan, Chung, Yoo-Mi
Singers	Renee, Vanessa	Cate	Brooke, Renee	Cate	Renee, Vanessa
Music Practice					
Oasis Leader	Jenelle Martin	Jenelle Martin	Jenelle Martin		
Billabong Leader	Elizabeth Phythian & Lynne Butson		Elizabeth Phythian & Lynne Butson	EASTER	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS