

# 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 30th June

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

Bible Readings

2 Samuel 1:17-27

Psalm 130

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43

# Sunday 7th July

9:30am All Age Worship Lead by Margaret Reeson

Bible Readings

2 Samuel 5:1-5,9-10

Psalm 48

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

## 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 0450 356 147

#### Girls' Brigade

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

#### 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.

#### 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

#### **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 Shirley Williams 0418 612 656 Jenelle Martin 0421 997 173 Elizabeth Phythian 0408 624 163 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

## Our Church at Prayer...

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

- This week we pray for our Oasis leaders Caroline and Liz and all who support them in this
  ministry. We pray for others who might be interested in leading and working with our
  children.
- This week we join the Canberra Region Presbytery in praying for Op Shops, Crisis Support Services, Safe Shelters. We give thanks for the many congregations and individuals that serve their local community in Op Shops. We pray for them as they give their time to repurposing items for re-use and creating community spaces for gathering. As the cold weather sets in, we remember those who struggle to keep warm. We pray for rough sleepers, and those seeking stable accommodation; we commit ourselves to continue working for a world where everybody has a safe and restful place to sleep. We pray for those actively engaged, professionally or voluntarily, in supporting housing initiatives, and supporting people who are homeless, or inadequately housed. We pray for those most impacted by cost-of-living pressures, chronic unemployment, illness, unsafe or transient living arrangements. We pray for safe shelter ministries, drop-in centres, community hubs and other ways our congregations reach out in service and support to their local community. We pray especially for children experiencing economic hardship and insecure living arrangements.
- This week we join with the World Council of Churches in praying for Sudan, South Sudan, Uganda. We pray for a cessation of ethnic animosities and violence, and increased understanding between ethnic and religious groups; an end to the rape and practices of genital mutilation of girls and women; and for natural resources to be preserved and the land saved from further desertification.

# **Church Council Update**

Church Council met on Monday 17 June. Discussions included:

- Hugh will be on leave on from 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> July (Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July).
- We are on track with this year's budget.
- Call for volunteers to join a ministry team to support our children and young people (Oasis, Billabong, and Girls' & Boys' Brigades). This will involve meeting once per term to share ideas to progress our children and young people's ministry - all ideas big and small will be welcomed! Please talk to Narelle if you are interested.
- Church Council agreed to accept Synod's invitation for the Pulse Team to lead a series of discussions with GUC (one per month for six months) on the 'Growing Young' program.
- Call for help! Does anyone have experience with writing grant applications? While we currently don't have any grants to apply for, we would like to know of anyone who could assist us when grant opportunities arise. Please see Jenelle if you could help us in this area.

Church Council will next meet on Monday 8 July.

# **Vegie Garden Get-Together-cancelled for July**

For those who usually enjoy coming along to the first Saturday of the month Garden Gathering it will be cancelled for July. The garden is quite dormant at this time of year and there is not much work to be done. See you in August!

# July Tea & Talk (T&T)

The next T&T (an opportunity for catching up with other GUC community members over a cuppa) is on **Friday 5**<sup>th</sup> **July 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.

## **Music Team**

The music team is in need of more singers!

With a few more singers supporting worship on Sundays, we can have two or three singers leading more consistently and have a broader group to call upon to support each other! We meet monthly for a music team rehearsal, and run through each weeks music prior to worship. You do not have to be Mariah Carey or Johnny Cash, just enjoy singing, feel you can learn the music, and can sing in small groups. Feel free to come and try during a rehearsal or chat to Vanessa, Jessica or Rose if you think you could support us, or would like to know more.

# **Church Contact Directory**

A new Church Directory for 2024 is being prepared. For this to happen we need to have everyone's correct and up to date details. Please fill in the form- either an email version, or the enclosed paper version 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.

Roster	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday
1100101	30 <sup>th</sup> June	7 <sup>th</sup> July	14 <sup>th</sup> July	21 <sup>st</sup> July	28 <sup>th</sup> July
Greeters	Eric & Shirley	Josephine Deo &	Josephine Deo &		Josephine Deo &
	Holm	Heather Lamb	Heather Lamb	& Heather Lamb	Tamara F-McS
English Bible Reader	Bec Hobson	Reeba Nasim	Cass Nokham	Narelle Dodd	Alison McKenzie
Language Bible Reader	David Yang	Sumira Sheraz	Alicia Zhou	Kanthi Fernando	Yoo-Mi Kim
Prayers for	Prince Jyubeh	Brooke Kilah	Margaret Reeson	Jemimah Hamilton	Arthur
Others					Langford-Smith
Leader	Rev. Hugh Park	Margaret Reeson	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
Preacher	Rev. Hugh Park	Margaret Reeson	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
All-Age Message	Rev. Hugh Park	Renne Buchanan	Jessica Marchant	Rev Hugh Park	Rev. Hugh Park
Flowers	Kanthi Fernando	Patsy Coleman	Eric Holm	Margaret Reeson	Kanthi Fernando
Sound	Alistair Buchanan	Chris Martin	Rob Shelton	Craig McShane	Elijah King
Computer	Mark Phythian	Craig McShane	Bruce Warren	Chris Martin	Alistair Buchanan
Morning Tea	Billabong	Mark & Lynne	Jenelle Martin &	Mark & Elizabeth	Heather Lamb &
		Butson	Lily Ting	Phythian	Patsy Coleman
Communion Preparation			Tamara F-McS & Mark Phythian		
Pianist	Yoo-Mi Kim	Yoo-Mi Kim	Alison McKenzie	Alison McKenzie	Andrew Johnson
Musicians	Prince, John,	Mark, John,	Prince, John,	Mark, John,	Prince, John,
	Adnan, Chung	Adnan, Chung	Adnan, Chung	Adnan, Chung	Adnan, Chung
Singers	Vanessa, Rose	Jessica, Rose	Vanessa	Jessica, Rose	Vanessa
Music Practice	II.				
Oasis Leader	Caroline Wallace	School Holidays	School Holidays	School Holidays	Liz Warren
Billabong	Elizabeth Phythian	School Holidays	School Holidays	School Holidays	
Leader	& Lynne Butson	-			