

# 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 15th September

9:30am All Age Worship Lead by Jemimah Hamilton

Bible Readings Proverbs 1:20-33

Psalm 19

James 3:1-12

Mark 8:27-38

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

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

Bible Readings

Proverbs 31:10-31

Psalm 1

James 3:13-4:3,7-8

Mark 9:30-37

## 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

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



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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

#### **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 those who are new to our congregation and new to worship. We also pray for those who come often, and for those who visit. We pray for people in need who pass through our doors each day of the week; for peace, for hope, for a word of friendship, for food, for worship.
- This week we join the Canberra Region Presbytery in praying for To e Talatalanoa. We celebrate and pray for the ongoing ministry of To e Talatalanoa with children and youth and pray for the young people who will attend the Uniting Youth Camp at the end of September. We pray blessing for the leadership of the congregation, the church council and the emergence of future leaders. We pray for the continued witness and ministry of To e Talatalanoa to the broader Tongan community in the ACT and beyond.
- This week we join with the World Council of Churches in praying for Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay. We are thankful for individuals, churches and other organizations who remain committed to seeking healing, justice and truth; for the furthering of human rights and democratic institutions; the ways in which those of different faiths and ethnicities are working together for the common good and for the needs of people and creation. We pray for those who protect and care for the region's threatened soil, forests, waters, glaciers and for economic development that benefits all and effectively addresses the systemic factors that impede it.

## **CC September Update**

- 'Growing Young' study group is meeting this Sunday. The group is being led by Reverend James Aaron from Sydney.
- Church Council agreed that meetings in 2025 will move to every second month, instead of monthly. Extra meetings will be scheduled as necessary.
- Reverend Hugh will be on leave on Sunday 29 September.
- The Commissioning Service for Andrew Johnson's new role, General Secretary for the Assembly, will be held in late November at GUC. Stay tuned.
- Church Life Worker, Alison Tweedie, will be on leave from 2 October to 11 October 2024.
- A Church fire drill is planned for November.
- Church Council were encouraged by the positive feedback received about 'Grow One'.

## **Oasis Afternoon Adventures**

GUC's first Oasis event is coming. Bring your children for an afternoon of games and sensory exploration. Families are welcome to stay and have a cuppa and catch up with one another. For Primary School ages children 5- 12ish.

When: Saturday 21st September at GUC from 3:00-4:30pm

We will have a program in the next bulletin with more information.

Contact Renée Buchanan reneeandalbuchanan@gmail.com

# Volunteer to help your church in 2025

Every year around this time we invite everyone to think about how they would like to be involved in Gungahlin Uniting Church. Now is the time to think about how you would like to participate and support your church in 2025. To do this simply grab one of the "Volunteering at GUC 2025" forms and fill it in. They can be returned to the pink box in the foyer. You will see when you look through that there are endless jobs, tasks, roles, ways, that you can help and be involved. If you have any questions please speak with Alison Tweedie or Rev Hugh Park. Please note this form is only available in hard copy (paper), no online version.

August	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday
August	15 <sup>th</sup> September	22 <sup>nd</sup> September	29 <sup>th</sup> September	6 <sup>th</sup> October	13 <sup>th</sup> October
Greeters				Heather Lamb &	Heather Lamb &
	& Lynne Butson	& Lynne Butson	& Lynne Butson	Natalie Yule	Natalie Yule
English Bible	Cass Nokham	Esther King	Dioni Muho	Alistair Buchanan	Reeba Nasim
Reader					
Language Bible Reader	Alicia Zhou	Kanthi Fernando	Claudya Silitonga	Carina Moeller	Sia Kwon
Prayers for	Arthur Langford	Yoonhee Park	Brooke Kilah	Margaret Reeson	Yoonhee Park
Others	Smith				
Leader	Jemimah Hamilton	Rev Hugh Park		Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
Preacher	Jemimah Hamilton	Rev Hugh Park		Rev Hugh Park	Rev Hugh Park
All-Age Message	Jessica Marchant	?		Renee Buchanan	Rev Hugh Park
Flowers	Margaret Reeson	Kanthi Fernando	Shirley Holm	Shirley Williams	Patsy Coleman
Sound	Rob Shelton	?	Chris Martin	Alistair Buchanan	Elijah King
Computer	Mark Phythian	Chris Martin	Elijah King	Bruce Warren	Chris Martin
Morning Tea	Billabong	Heather Lamb &	Rose-Mary,	Josephine Deo &	Eric & Shirley
		Josephine Deo	Alexandra & June	Lily Ting	Holm
			Faulkner		
Communion					Shirley Williams &
Preparation					Elizabeth Phythian
BBQ					Mark & Lynne
					Butson
Pianist	Margaret Reeson	Andrew Johnson	Yoo-Mi Kim	Yoo-Mi Kim	Margaret Reeson
Musicians	Mark John Adnan	Prince John	Mark John Adnan	Prince John	Mark John Adnan
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Singers	Jessica	Rose & Renee	Jessica	Brooke & Renee	Jessica
Music Practice			ונו		
Oasis Leader	Liz Warren	Liz Warren	School Holidays	School Holidays	School Holidays
Billabong	Elizabeth Phythian		School Holidays	School Holidays	School Holidays
Leader	& Lynne Butson				