

30th August 2020

13th Sunday after Pentecost

34 Fisher St, West Wollongong

Keiraview
Uniting Church



Sharing life's journey with faith, hope and love in Jesus Christ.



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A Fairtrade Faith
Community

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"

Psalm 27:1

A warm welcome to all worshipping with Keiraview today.
Morning Worship at 9:30am will be led by Rev Dr Les Hewitt at Keiraview
Evening Worship at 6:00pm will be led by Liana at Keiraview
The morning service will be streamed live on our YouTube channel

Thought For The Week

A little boy met an old man sitting in the park just staring at some birds. The boy sat next to him and offered him some sultanas. Without saying a word, the old man took some sultanas and smiled at the boy. They sat there eating and smiling, but they never said a word.

When the lunch box was empty the boy got up to leave but before he had gone more than a few steps, he turned around, ran back to the old man, and gave him a hug and his biggest smile ever.

When the boy got home his mother and asked him, "What did you do today that made you so happy?" He replied, "I had lunch with God." But before his mother could respond, he added, "You know what Mum? God's got the most beautiful smile I've ever seen!"

Meanwhile, the old man returned to his home. His son was stunned by the look of peace on his face and he asked, "Dad, what did you do today that made you so happy?" He replied, "I ate lunch in the park with God." However, before his son responded, he added, "You know, He's much younger than I expected."

How have you met God today?

Sue Woodland

Prayer

For leaders in churches everywhere, may they have wisdom in their decision making.
For the success of the Healthy Churches Expo next week.
For those both here and overseas who need to hide their true selves out of fear, may they receive your peace.
For those seeking to find meaning and sense, may they accept your friendship and love.

Amen

Are you prayerful? Do you have any points of prayer on your heart that you would like to see here? Send your prayer requests to notices@keiraview.org

Coming Up at Keiraview

Day	Time	What
Tue 1 st	10am -12 noon	Eden Playtime & Community Gardening
Tue 1 st	1:15 pm	Know Your Bible Bible Study Group for Women
Thur 3 rd	4:00 pm	Pastoral Care Coordinators meeting
Fri 4 th	4:00 - 5:30 pm	Kids Club Games, Activities, Learning about God K-Yr4
Fri 4 th	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Good Samarateens Games, fellowship and Devotions Yr5-8

UOW International Student Appeal

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations of clothing and groceries for the international students at the UOW. Doo Ah has passed on the warm clothing to the Sheik Charity for distribution to Indian students. The students are very grateful and are now well supplied and do not require any more donations of warm clothes.

The Community Engagement section of the UOW is still appealing for groceries as per the following list: **Pasta Sauce, Long Life Milk, Long Life Coconut Milk, Plain flour, Sugar, Salt, White Rice, Brown Lentils, Canned Fruit, Oats, Weetbix, Baked Beans, Spaghetti, Noodles, Vegetable oil, Toothpaste, Toothbrush (individually wrapped), Shower gel, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Sanitary products and Washing Powder.** These can be left in the box in the Keiraview kitchen.

Doo Ah is still working with her group of students who are part of her Wellness Group. If you are on Facebook then you can see what they get up to by checking out UoW Uniting Chaplain and giving them some encouragement.

From the Safe Church Team

The Safe Church Team would like to remind the congregation to ensure they maintain the 1.5m physical distancing as far as practical at all times. This is one of the best ways to limit the spread of the COVID Virus. If you have any questions regarding our COVID Safe Plans or the procedures we have put in place please speak to one of our Safe Church Team who are Gavin Whitten, Vi Richardson and Pauline Doyle.



Should anyone develop cold or flu like symptoms following a gathering, then it is essential that you contact your GP and inform the Safe Church Team asap so that appropriate action can be taken.

Update re: Services

Church Council met on Thursday (20th Aug) night and the decision was made to continue onsite worship services and group activities.

We continue to recommend the wearing of masks at worship services as per the NSW Government guidelines.

It was also agreed to recommence morning tea following morning services in September. Other services and groups may also serve refreshments as per COVID Safe Plans.

Know Your Bible

KYB, a Bible study for women, meets at Keiraview at 1:15pm on Tuesdays during term time. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Please contact Bev Paton (4229 1746) for full details and to RSVP for numbers.



Bookings at Keiraview

Now that COVID-19 is becoming more controlled, hiring of the Keiraview facilities has begun again. Any individual or group wishing to use any part of the church facility should check with Bev beforehand to ensure that the premises have not been already booked by another group. Bev: 4204 9397 or bookings@keiraview.org

Coffee and Chat

Coffee and chat resumes **Tuesday 15th September 9:30-11am.** Please wear masks and follow the same procedure as for church.



This month's speaker is Colin Wilton of Lake Illawarra Estuary management.

For more details see Norma Coudrey

Do you Knit?

Are you interested in knitting for Wollongong Homeless Hub?

If so, please see Norma Coudrey for wool and patterns.



Operation Christmas Child

It is that time of year again where you can help to change a child's life.

Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes are available at the back of the church for you to take away and pack.

The Children at Kids' Club and Good Samaritans will also be packing shoeboxes over the next few weeks. If you are able to supply items that can be included in these boxes, please leave them at the back of the church.

Please see the flyer on the next page for suitable items to include in your shoe box.

We are also collecting Woolworths OOSHIES and Coles Little Treehouse Books to include in these shoeboxes.

Please contact Robyn Johnson with any queries.



"I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL

for your heart for packing Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes for children in need. All over the world, these gift-filled boxes become tools for local churches to share God's love and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Don't forget to make every shoebox gift unique, include a letter, and pray over it before sending it off."

—Franklin Graham,
President, Samaritan's Purse



SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS

"WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Soft toy
- Shoes



TOYS

- Toy cars
- Skipping rope
- Yo-yos
- Tennis ball
- Musical instruments

NON-LIQUID HYGIENE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Bar soap
- Hair clips
- Combs



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, markers and erasers
- Notebooks and paper
- Colouring books
- Solar calculators

ACCESSORIES

- T-shirt and shorts
- Socks
- Sunglasses and caps
- Jewellery and watches
- Torch (with extra batteries in original packaging)



⊘ DO NOT INCLUDE

ITEMS THAT MELT OR LEAK: liquid paint; toothpaste; shampoo; aerosol cans; bubbles; crayons; plasticine/playdough
 FOOD OR LOLLIES: including medicine; vitamins
 USED OR DAMAGED ITEMS: used clothes; old toys
 BREAKABLE ITEMS: glass; porcelain; mirrors
 SCARY OR GAMBLING ITEMS: war-related items; toy guns, knives; military figures; skull and crossbones; Halloween items; play money; playing cards; dominoes
 RELIGIOUS LITERATURE: tracts and Bibles (children are given an Operation Christmas Child evangelistic book at an outreach event)



HEALTHY CHURCHES EXPO 2020

5 SEPTEMBER 2020

Gone are the days when interesting conferences are too far away to attend. Sessions of this year's Expo will be livestreamed, so you can log on and participate via your computer or device from your home. And it's **free!!!**

Prefer to get out of the house?

Keiraview UC is hosting a hub site. Come along and watch on the big screens at Keiraview or Corrimal and discuss the sessions with like minded people. Also **FREE**.

The Program is Packed

There'll be a wide range of speakers and presenters and engaging sessions on topics like church council, treasury, safe church, mission, mentoring, youth and emerging gen, communications, how to engage with our community and the environment – and more!

Click this link to view the program <https://ume.nswact.uca.org.au/hce-2020-program>

Here's a taste of just 2 great sessions

Growing Young 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm The Pulse Team

Churches are both shrinking and ageing as more young people disengage. Growing Young provides a strategy any church can use to involve and retain young people and reach younger generations in a way that breathes life into the whole church.

The Pulse team is dedicated to building life-supporting relationships between young people and Uniting Church communities.

Praying With Your Feet - Advocacy in Healthy Congregations 11.00 am - 12.00 pm Emma Maiden

Why do people get involved in anything? Develop an understanding of the personal motivations, triggers, resources and opportunities that move people from apathy to activism. Develop an understanding how you can apply these lessons to make your congregation vibrant through involvement in advocacy. Learn more about Uniting's Fair Treatment and Climate campaigns and other ways to get your congregation praying with their feet.

Emma Maiden is Head of Advocacy for Uniting NSWACT steering the social justice advocacy for Uniting.

There are 3 ways to attend

1. If you'd like to attend from home, register through the bookings system Eventbrite. Use this link <https://healthychurches2020.eventbrite.com.au>
2. Attend at **Keiraview UC** or **Corrimal Region UC** hosting the event on their big screen.
3. Attend in person at North Parramatta. Cost: \$25. To find out more <https://ume.nswact.uca.org.au/event/healthy-churches-expo-2020/>

Topic 1: Administration and Governance
Growing Healthy Church Councils, Safe Church and more

Topic 2: Mission and Growth
Growth During COVID, Mission Shaped Ministry and more

Topic 3: Leadership and Discipleship
Growing Young by the Pulse team, Intercultural Intergenerational Worship and more

Topic 4: Healthy Congregations
Life After COVID: Effective Church Communications, Advocacy in Healthy Congregations and more

Contact admin.ip@nswact.uca.org.au to book your place Keiraview

Healthy Churches Expo Program Table Saturday 5 September 2020

Please remember to maintain appropriate social distances.			
10am Acknowledgement of Country	10:30am Opening Address DR GLEN POWELL	10:30am Plenary Speaker REV SIMON HANSFORD	10:50am BREAK (10MINS)
Stream 1: Administration and Governance	Stream 2: Mission and Growth	Stream 3: Leadership and Discipleship	Stream 4: Healthy Congregations
11.00am - 12.00pm Growing Healthy Church Councils Rev Bronwyn Murphy	11.00am - 12.00pm Growth During COVID Facilitator: David Cornford * Rev Dr Jason Koo - Mascot Wesley Uniting Church * Rev Phil Swain - Turramurra Uniting Church	11.00am - 12.00pm Vital Leadership: Developing Mentors and Communities of Practice	11.00am - 12.00pm Praying with Your Feet Advocacy in Healthy Congregations
12.00pm - 1.00pm Safe Church Rev Bronwyn Murphy	12.00pm - 1.00pm Saltbush: Uniting Scattered Communities Available by live-stream on the internet only Find out more at: Salt Bush Presentation	12.00pm - 1.00pm Healthy Consultations: Life & Witness / Vital Ministry	12.00pm - 1.00pm NCLS: 30 Years of Research What Makes Churches Healthy
1:00pm to 2:00 pm Lunch Break Please bring your own lunch, or purchase something from nearby shops.			
2.00pm - 3.00pm Managing Jobkeeper and Annual Financial Returns	2.00pm - 3.00pm Mission Shaped Ministry: Spirituality for Mission	2.00pm - 3.00pm Growing Young - The Pulse Team	2.00pm - 3.00pm Life After COVID: Effective Church Communications
3.00pm - 3.30pm Ways of Giving 3.30pm - 4.00pm Property – Open Forum	3.00pm - 4.00pm Creating Fresh Expressions: Introduction to the Mission Shaped Ministry Program	3.00pm - 4.00pm Weaving Our Stories of Intercultural Intergenerational Worship	3.00pm - 4.00pm Supporting First Nations Peoples and Communities Covenanting in 2020 and beyond

The Gospel Project - 4.10pm - 4.30pm (At present, we have conflicting times for this part of the program.)

The Gospel Project aims to build the Church's confidence to witness and speak gospel into the public square by working with leaders across the Church to develop a shared understanding of the gospel from a Uniting Church perspective. We hope to equip disciples for confident mission with a clear, contextually relevant message to organise their life and witness.

Keynote Speakers - Rev Simon Hansford 10.25am - 10.45am Rev Jane Fry - 4.30pm - 4.50pm

Chaplaincy Zone

Drop into the 'Chaplaincy Zone' from 11.00am to 4.00pm to talk to a team of Chaplains from all areas of chaplaincy to find out more about this unique ministry. Chaplains will also be popping into a Zoom session to talk with remote attendees throughout this time. This will be in addition to the Healthy Churches Expo web link you are viewing through your Internet Browser.

Ready Leadership Series Introduction - 11.00am - 12.00pm (This looks like a 5th stream option to the first morning session – we'll find out more.)

This talk offers fresh perspectives on the challenges faced now in mainstream churches and what we have available to be able to adapt enough in mission. This seminar also introduces viewers to Ian's "Ready Leadership" Zoomcast series happening Mon 21 Sept to Thurs 24 Sept. Please Note: This session will not be streamed on the Healthy Churches Expo web link

(COMING:) Ready Leadership Zoomcast Series

Sept 21	10:00am: What now is Christian Mission and Evangelism? 5:00pm: Why – The basis of a holistic Gospel
Sept 22	10:00am: Reaching today's Pluralist Neighbourhoods. 5:00pm: Processes: Get to Go and into the Life Cycle
Sept 23	10:00am: Twenty Tools for Turnaround Leadership – Part 1. 5:00pm: Twenty Tools for Turnaround Leadership – Part 2.
Sept 24	10:00am: The hard part about church leadership today. 5:00pm: The Dimensions of leadership in growing churches.

Got questions for any of our presenters? Email them through to umeinfo@nswact.uca.org.au and we'll be sure to pass them along to be answered on the day!