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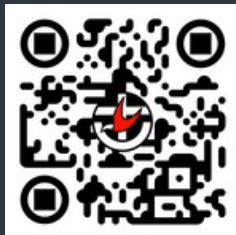
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1 Peter 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit

welcome

Morning Worship **9:30am**
led by Rev. David Stuart

Evening Worship **6:30pm**
led by Rev. David Stuart

Thought for the week

Peace & Hope In the lead up to Easter I reflect on Peace and Hope as written in Romans 5:1-11. Verse 4 says '...glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance.' I find solace in knowing that God uses our trials to develop his character within us so we may grow wiser and stronger in our faith. While reflecting on this reading, I think of peace as the clear blue sky, but in the midst of hardships the stars shine bright when the sky is dark. For Jesus died for our sins so we can be forgiven, let us rejoice in our trials like the stars rejoicing in the night sky as an opportunity to reflect, rest and grow. What trials are you facing? I encourage you to seek the good news and come to God, for he is a God of peace and hope, love and forgiveness. How great is our God! I offer you this prayer:

Dear Lord. We pray for those in the midst of trials, we come to you for wisdom and courage. Give us peace and hope. Like the stars shining bright in the night sky, Let us rejoice in our trials as there are important lessons to be learnt. And like the clear blue sky, let us appreciate when things are good. We pray for those doing it tough, we pray for our natural world. Help us to look after your creation. We pray for prayers said and unsaid. Lord, you know what is on our hearts.



(This week's thought from Danny Ivanovski)

PRAYERS

Pray for those in our Church Family undergoing tests, treatment, and for those suffering bereavement. Pray for Ronan Whitten who is having hospital tests and uphold the Whitten family.

Pray for the students & families and staff of West Wollongong Primary School and for continuing contact in 2021

Pray for the planning of 2021 for all activities & outreach. Pray for all MATs.

Pray for members of State and Federal Parliaments, the National Cabinet and Health Ministers and Health Officers.

COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Tues 23 rd	10:00- 12:00	Eden Playtime & Community Gardening
Tues 23 rd	13:15- 14:45	KYB Women's Bible Study
Fri 26 th	16:00- 17:30	Kids Club Years K-4
Fri 26 th	19:00- 20:30	Three Six Teens Youth Group Years 5-9
Sat 27 th	11:00- 15:30	Couples & Friends

Note: Only one combined service Sunday 28/02 at 5pm.



From the Safe Church Team

Restrictions have changed as follows:

One person/2m², however we still need to maintain 1.5m physical distancing as far as practical.

Face masks are no longer mandatory in Places of Worship. They are strongly encouraged in indoor venues where social distancing is not possible.

Singing by the congregation is still not allowed. Up to 5 singers indoors and they must be 5m away from the congregation.



Note:

Even though restrictions have changed to one /2m² this doesn't mean we can fit 2x as many chairs in the church!

We still encourage those who feel vulnerable to wear a face mask.

For those having Morning Tea please continue to maintain physical distancing while getting your cuppa and whilst sitting at the tables.

If you have any questions regarding our COVID Safe Plans or the procedures we have put in place, please speak to the Safe Church Team (Gavin Whitten, Vi Richardson or Pauline Doyle) or email safe-church@keiraview.org



There will be **NO 9:30am or 6:30pm service** on 28/02. The **monthly prayer meeting** will still be held next Sunday 28th Feb 8:30-9am, with time of reflection following at the church. All welcome to join, please send prayer requests to Norma Coudrey

Commissioning Service The annual *Commissioning and Covenanting Service* will be held on **Sunday 28th February at 5pm**. The service will recognise the various leaders within the life of our church and we will pray for them as we commission and send them into their roles of ministry. We will also make a covenant as a congregation to work together in the life of the church, supporting each other in love, prayer and action. The service will be followed by a time of fellowship over pizza.

Mentoring @ WWPS The mentoring program is starting up again at our neighbouring Wollongong West Public School. This mission was started by Annette Hawken and Scott Morrison and has been running since 2017. If you would like to know more about this work please contact Laurie Aldridge 0412 356495 or laurie.aldridge@gmail.com it is proposed that we will start the program at the school on **Monday 22nd February**.

KEIRAVIEW PROPERTY NEWS

After many years of faithful service, Alan Bradley and Bev Ratcliffe have stepped down from their roles as Property Convenor and Bookings Officer. We sincerely thank them for all they have done to keep our property running smoothly and looking good.

Our current property committee members are Clive Arthur, John Kennedy, Kerryn Morrison, Karina Ponne, Don Townsend and Gavin Whitten. A warm welcome to new members Karina and Don. If you are interested in joining us, please let us know.

Kerryn is now our **Property Convenor**. If you have any property 'issues' please contact her on 0407240223 or kerryn@morrison4.id.au

John is now our **Bookings Officer**. To enquire or make bookings, email bookings@keiraview.org

Thanks to **Don, John** and **Neville Jolly** who have kindly agreed to be our **Supplies Officers**.

A friendly reminder that if you use the Keiraview Property, please leave it in the state you found it (or better!). For example, if you open windows, please remember to close them before you leave; turn off air conditioners/fans/lights; empty the kitchen bin if it is full; turn on the alarm if you are the last to leave; and be mindful of our Covid Safe requirements.

Lent Event is your annual opportunity to recommit yourself to following Jesus in His way of justice, compassion and hope. Together we've provided people with the tools to build peace and break free from poverty. Your help is needed more than ever because of the worldwide pandemic. As the World Bank predicted in October 2020 because of COVID-19 a further 158 million are expected to slide back into extreme poverty by 2022. Find out ways to help at www.lentevent.com.au. To donate either place your donate big or small in the reply paid envelope in the Lent Event brochure or place a donation in an envelope marked Lent Event in the Offering Plate during the Lent period. Further information from Fae McGregor 42713762.

Wellbeing International Students Group Can you spare some time to help assist with making up lunchbags (with sandwiches/wraps, cake and drink)? Meet on **Thurs. 25th Feb at 10:30am** in the church kitchen. Tasks to do:

- Wrap and pack individual packs
- Scribe contents on packs
- Deliver packs to campus at 12pm

Contact Fae if you can help support this ministry at the university (4271 3762).



Market Day is coming up in just 2 weeks. There are flyers at the back of the church that can be shared with friends/family, or you can cut out this flyer. → ✂

If you are on facebook, one way you can help to increase visibility online is to share the event details at the following link and click if you are going: <https://bit.ly/3ayZcxO>

Avid bakers – we need you! Can you support the cake stall with some baked goods? Foods must be wrapped individually to be COVID safe.

Contact Robyn Johnson or Kerryn Morisson if you can help with set up, running stalls or clear up.

**KEIRAVIEW
UNITING
CHURCH
MARKET DAY**
34 FISHER ST. WEST WOLLONGONG

- DEVONSHIRE TEA • CAKES • PLANTS •
- KIDS' ACTIVITIES • TOYS • BOOKS •
- TRASH & TREASURE •
- THAI FOOD • SAUSAGE SIZZLE •

SAT. 6th MARCH | **10:00-14:00** | **KEIRAVIEW UNITING**

RAISING FUNDS TO SUPPORT CHILDREN AT THE AGAPE CHILDREN'S HOME IN THAILAND

WE'RE COVID SAFE

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

Spirituality in the Pub is on from **19:30-21:00** on **Tuesday 23rd February** at **Woonona RSL Club**. Guest speaker: Capt. Robyn Black of Tarrawanna Salvation Army Corp. Contact Ann 0427 235955 or wollsip@gmail.com

Illawarra Prayer Breakfast The Annual Illawarra Prayer Breakfast (part of the *Together for the Illawarra* collaboration of Christians across the Illawarra) is planned for **Friday 12th March** at **06:45-08:30 am**. More details info@illawarraprayerbreakfast.org

What does it mean to be GROWING YOUNG?

There is an interesting news article in Insights (the newsletter of UCA NSW/ACT Synod) this week about the Growing Young initiative of UCA Pulse that Keiraview UC is also participating in. Read more here <https://www.ucapulse.org.au/2021/02/what-does-it-mean-to-be-growing-young/>

Don't forget to fill in our **GROWING YOUNG** survey this month!
<https://www.oursurvey.church/KeiraviewUnitingChurch>

← **CLOSING SOON**

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Banking Details If you prefer to do an electronic bank deposit as offertory, the details are:

Keiraview Uniting Church, BSB: 634 634, Account #: 100017747

ROSTER

28th FEB 2021

Flowers

Robyn Johnson

AV/Streaming

Stephen Donsworth
John Kennedy

Welcomers

Sandy Brisbane
Pat Robinson

Announcements

Norma Coudrey

Elder

Lyn Jones

Music

Robyn Bradley

Bible Reader

Pat Waller

Prayer

Alayne Guerin

Offering Counting

Ian Almond
Lyn Jones

Tea

Annette Arthur
Robyn Johnson
Allan Kew
Pat Waller

READINGS

LENT 2

Galatians 17:1-7, 15-16

Psalms 22:23-31

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38

Please send notices for this news sheet to Grace

by **noon Wednesday**.

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