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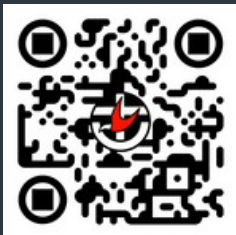
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A Fairtrade Faith Community

Mark 9:33-35

They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

Thought for the Week

Renewing the Oikos of God

The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration of prayer and action for our common home. Together, the ecumenical family around the world unites to pray, protect, and advocate for God's creation.

As people of faith, our baptismal call compels us to till and keep God's garden, and participate in the renewal of the whole inhabited Earth, so that life may flourish and all may have a just and sustainable home.

Oikos is the Greek word for "home" or "household". By focusing the theme on the concept of oikos, we hope to lift up the integral nature of the many relationships that hold the web of life together. Within the whole inhabited Earth (oikoumene), the Church (oikoumene) calls all households and societies (oikos) to turn our political, social and economic systems (oikonomia) towards just, sustainable economies of life, which respect the limits and life giving ecological boundaries (oikologia) of our common home.

We hope that this Season of Creation renews our baptismal call to care and sustain an ecological turning so that life may flourish, and all creatures may find their place to flourish among our common home.

From seasonofcreation.org/

Saltbush and Uniting Advocacy are leading a series of online cafes during this Season of Creation at 19:00 on Tuesdays in September (starting 7th Sept). Each week the café will have time for music, prayer, reflection led by the Saltbush team alongside conversation around themes led by the Uniting Advocacy team.

If you would like to join in and receive your Zoom link invite, Please send an email to saltbush@nswact.uca.org.au

welcome

Morning Worship **9:30am**

YouTube Service

Evening Worship **6:00pm**

Zoom Chat

PRAYERS

Pray for all those in our country struggling in lockdown; for those who are lonely, those who are anxious, and those suffering from hardship.

Pray for the Wesley Community Care Program - for those it serves and those who provide services.

Pray for the students, their families and staff at Wollongong West Public School. Pray for all school leaders as they plan for on-site return.

Pray for all the residents of Wollongong, the Mayor, Gordon Bradbery, and Councillors and for the residents of the Keiraview neighbourhood.

A Prayer from UCA Lectionary Resources

Wisdom of God, from the street corners and at the entrances to the city you proclaim the way of life and of death. Grant us the wisdom to recognize your Messiah, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the way of life and glory. Amen.



Operation Christmas Child

Shoe boxes are still happening this year. If you have started a box or wish to do one we will be collecting them in November when church is back.

There is a new way you can do a box this year, it is called "Pack A Box online" and for \$30 we will pack a box for you.

You go to the Operation Christmas Child website, then to [Pack A Box Online](#). You chose if it is for a Boy or Girl and the age. You can also leave a message for the child and pay on line and we will pack the box and send it for you.

If you have any questions please contact me. Thanks, Robyn Johnson.



Living Our Faith – Exploring the New Testament

A new 8 week course will be running from 5th October to 23rd November 2021. This course is part of the Living Our Faith series for Lay Preachers, but is also an ideal opportunity for a small group, faith community, bible study group, or congregation to spend time studying the New Testament.

This course is for anyone:

- interested in studying the New Testament in greater depth,
- interested in growing in their discipleship,
- in local leadership across the Uniting Church
- who attends a Uniting Church.

The course will take place online via zoom on Tuesday evenings (6:00-8:30 pm).

More details, costs and registration information click here <https://bit.ly/3tUf59L>

Uniting World Christmas Cards

Send love and fight poverty! UnitingWorld's Christmas Cards are ready for pre-order from everythingincommon.com.au at <https://bit.ly/3E8Dzkm> (\$15 per set of 8). These cards bring hope and joy to our friends and family, but also to people working hard to free themselves from poverty overseas.

Sunday Evening Worship is replaced by a self-guided worship sent by Liana (this has been sent out via our email group, so check your inboxes). There will also be a zoom meeting for social chat/catch up at the usual time.

Religion & Current Australian Politics As part of the UCA online speaker series, Professor Marion Maddox (former ASCM national staff worker and honorary prof of politics at Macquarie University) will speak about the intersection between religion and current Australian politics. The zoom will be held **tonight** (Sun 19th) at 5pm. More details and zoom link here <https://ascm.org.au/article/nsw-online-discussion-series>

International Day of Peace is on Tues. 21st Sept. There will be an Interfaith Prayer Service held online at 14:00. For further information contact Rev. Dr Manas Ghosh on 0429 892 548 or email: revmanasghosh@gmail.com



Worship Innovators Conference brings together worship leaders & innovators to help you become an expert at using technology in worship. Become better at: preparing for worship services; using tracks and click in worship; reaching people in new ways with technology; planning for the unexpected.

Keiraview also has a CCLI discount for 50% off registration fees (please ask Kerryn if you would like this code). More details at <https://worshipinnovators.com/>

Connecting with Each Other - Share a Greeting

Here at Keiraview we're looking at ways to keep in touch through different ways. One such way is to provide a message to others in our church family during our worship. We've set up a padlet (an online noticeboard) where church members can post a welcome and/or a blessing to be shared with each other.

padlet



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Welcome and Blessing

Greet and Bless Each Other

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Open the Padlet <https://padlet.com/gilystuart/ah778x08kw9coy9f#> or scan this QR code



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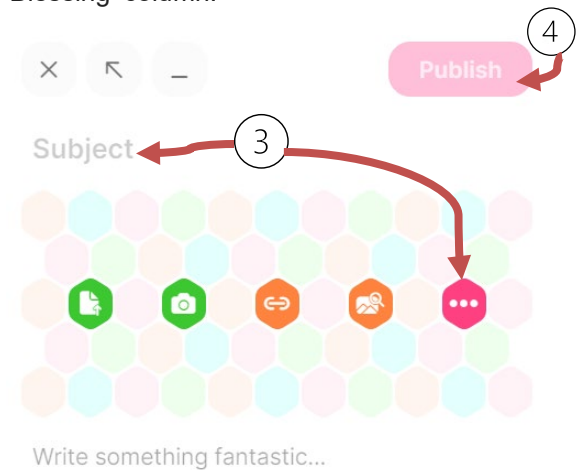
To add a new note, press on the + symbol under the 'Welcome' or 'Blessing' column.

3

A new input box will pop up. Enter the text that you want to share. Click on the pink hexagon with three dots if you would like to add other media (e.g. images, files, recording a voice message or video)

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When you're happy with the post, hit 'Publish' (top right of the input box). Now you're all done. You'll now see your message on the padlet. If you want to add more messages repeat step 2-4.



Hello Neighbour!

Through COVID-19,
we're here for you.

Lifeline 13 11 14

The Keiraview Mailing list is used to broadcast the latest messages across the congregations. Keep an eye out in your emails. If you are not already receiving the group emails and would like to subscribe to this mailing list please send an email to:

keiraview+subscribe@groups.io

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