

11th September 2022

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Keiraview Uniting News



Luke 15:6-7

Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

welcome

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

Evening Worship **6:00pm**
Worship 101

Thought for the Week

PRAYERS

Vale Queen Elizabeth II This year will be known by many as, 'the year that Queen Elizabeth died'. Whatever we think about the institution of the monarchy, the death of the Queen has a huge impact upon us.

Her face, her presence, her being there have been part of our lives for so many years. For most of us, she has been the only monarch we can remember. She has been part of our lives, our imaginations, our sense of who we are. Many of us now will also feel dislocated and shaken up, in ways we can't quite describe and perhaps hadn't expected.

But the monarch whose reign has just ended would be the first to say that the God whom she worshipped, and to whom she committed her life in service, the God in whose name she was anointed in a holy place, this holy God, is with us, and the whole earth is filled with God's glory.

There are those who would say that what she provided above all was a kind of stability and reassurance. She always sought to comfort the suffering and to steady the anxious.

Above all, her own faith in God was sure and strong. She spoke with increasing depth, in her many Christmas broadcasts, about her own reliance on God. In the face of her death, we can depend on the God who is always with us, filling not only the temples of this world, but also our families and communities, with love and hope.

In the year that Queen Elizabeth died, we give thanks for a life of dedicated service to our nations and commonwealth. We give thanks for God's faithful servant, Elizabeth. We pray for her family and closest friends, for those who will mourn and miss her most.

We grieve for what we have all lost. And we also take heart and hope from the faith that we shared with her and that she shared with us, remembering that death is defeated and that God reigns above all.

From The United Reformed Church UK

Pray for the Young and Old in our community and for the Eden Playtime event.

Pray for the Pastoral Care Team as they minister to those in need of help within our church community.

Pray for the KYB and Bible Study groups.

Pray for members of State and Federal Parliaments

A Prayer from Rev. Sharon Hollis

God of life and death, we give you thanks for the life of Queen Elizabeth, for her faithfulness, her life of service and dedication to duty.

We pray for all who now mourn her, particularly her family, the people of the UK, and many others around the world.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen

COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Tues 13 th	10:00- 12:00	Eden Playtime Young & Old Puzzle Day
Tues 13 th	19:30- 21:00	SJE MAT
Thurs 15 th	17:00- 18:30	Keiraview Community Night Board Games
Fri 16 th	18:30- 20:00	Bowling Night @ Northern Bowl, Bellambi
Sat 17 th	09:00- 12:00	Working Bee Gardening & Maintenance

contact us

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From the Safe Church Team

As at 27th August 2022

● SPEAK OUT allows you to anonymously raise any concerns you have about our congregation, or any Uniting services or entities. If anything does not feel right to you SPEAK OUT.

Independent and confidential hotline:
1800 951 145

COVID is Still Around

● It is very important that we have good ventilation. If you are the first one at a meeting or gathering, please OPEN the windows.

● Be aware of the symptoms of COVID. If you do have symptoms, do a RAT or get a PCR test. Avoid gatherings and services when you are unwell.

● You are encouraged to wear good quality masks when gathering indoor, particularly when it is difficult to maintain safe distance from others.



Any questions? Talk to the Safe Church Team (Gavin Whitten, Vi Richardson, Phil Crawford or Pauline Doyle) or email:

safe-church@keiraview.org



Working Bee The Keiraview Property Committee is planning a working bee to complete some gardening and other maintenance tasks in and around our Church Property on **Saturday 17th September** from 9am – 12pm.

Please come along for a short time or the whole morning if you are able – any help would be appreciated. BYO gloves.

Contact: Kerry Morrison

Ride Like a Champion The Wollongong community is invited to 'ride like a champion' to launch the 2022 UCI Road World Championships. The free Wollongong 2022 Community Day will be held on **September 17**, the day prior to the first championship races. Entry is free for the Wollongong 2022 Community Ride, and the first 1,500 registrants will get an exclusive commemorative t-shirt. Registrations are now open. Go to wollongong2022.com.au to secure your position on the start line – for safety reasons, places are limited.

Mullets for Mental Health Last year Keegan Whitten raised funds for the Black Dog Institute with Mullets for Mental Health. He raised an amazing \$2000 and has been sporting a terrible mullet since last September! This year he has promised that if he equals or betters the amount from last year, he will **cut the mullet off**. Gavin and Liana are very supportive!!! Sponsor Keegan here.

<https://www.mulletsformentalhealth.org.au/fundraisers/keeganwhitten/>

Walking Together Conference will be held on **22nd October** at Wesley Mission, Sydney and online. Hear the voices and perspectives of First Peoples on issues relating to the Uniting Church and Reconciliation. Early bird tickets available until 16th Sept.

Book here: walkingtogether.uca.org.au

Eden Playtime Eden Playtime and Gardening would like to invite any of our church family, particularly our more senior members, to join us on **Tuesday 13th September** between 10am and 12pm for morning tea. RSVP to Jenny or Ian Almond by **today** (Sun 11th).

Pastoral Care Carers Meeting will be on **21st September** 7.30 - 9pm. Rev. Doo Ah Leeming will be speaking about her work with the students at Wollongong University.

Any one interested in hearing about her work and the support we give her are welcome to come along.

Who's in the Pews? The National Church Life Survey (NCLS) will host a series of webinars exploring the recent survey results. Who really goes to church in Australia today- and what does that mean for ministry and mission? What do we know about the people who attend church in Australia today? How old are they? What is their education level? What is their cultural background?

Who's in the Pews webinar will present a demographic picture of Australian churchgoers based on the 2021 NCLS results. **Thurs 22nd Sept.** 11am-12pm online.

Register here: <https://bit.ly/3Ay2Cxl>

KYB Recess until **11th October** when we will begin a study on Leviticus. Tuesdays 1:15-2:30pm. All ladies welcome. Contact Bev Paton if you would like further information.



Last Thursday was R U OK? Day, we've become accustomed to asking this question on that day, but **every day** is the day to check in with others and ask 'are you ok?'. A conversation could change a life. Simple steps to ask:

1. Ask
2. Listen
3. Encourage action
4. Check in

More tips: <https://www.ruok.org.au/how-to-ask>

Environmental



Quick Tips

Determining YOUR Impact Have you ever wondered what your personal impact on the environment is? There are a number of online calculators that can help you to consider the need for sustainable living changes.

Ecological Footprint www.footprintcalculator.org/
Carbon Footprint www.carbonfootprint.com/calculator.aspx
Water Footprint www.watercalculator.org/

Season of Creation runs throughout the month of September, this year's theme is "Listen to the Voice of Creation". The burning bush is the Symbol for the Season of Creation 2022. Today, the prevalence of unnatural fires are a sign of the devastating effects that climate change has on the most vulnerable of our planet.



Listen to the Voice of creation
SEASON OF CREATION 2022

Creation cries out as forests crackle, animals flee, and people are forced to migrate due to the fires of injustice. On the contrary, the fire that called to Moses as he tended the flock on Mt. Horeb did not consume or destroy the bush. This flame of the Spirit revealed God's presence. This holy fire affirmed that God heard the cries of all who suffered, and promised to be with us as we followed in faith to our deliverance from injustice. In this Season of Creation, this symbol of God's Spirit calls us to listen to the voice of creation.

More details and downloadable *Celebration Guide 2022* here: <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

Save the Date for the **Op Shop Ball** on **Saturday 12th November** to help raise funds for the two children that Keiraview UC sponsors at Agape Children's Home, Thailand. There is the possibility of a group going over to Agape next April in the school holidays. If you are interested in coming or want more information please contact: Robyn Johnson 0414307910 or speak to David Stuart.



This month between 18th and 25th September, Wollongong is hosting a major cycling championship. Whilst this is exciting and a momentous event for visitors and residents alike, it will also cause some disruptions to our normal routines. Most residents in affected neighbourhoods will have received details around road closures, timings and public transport changes, however did you know you can also check for the latest changes online? If you're planning on heading down to cheer the competitors or simply trying to navigate affected areas you might like to check this website for guidance: <https://wollongong2022.com.au/resident-information-road-closures/>

Whilst the immediate streets around the church will not be affected on Sundays, there may be extra traffic in the area. Keiraview UC services are also streamed online via our [YouTube channel](#).

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IN CONFIDENCE

Raise any issues, incidents or concerns via our confidential and secure reporting service 'Speak Out'

INDEPENDENT AND CONFIDENTIAL HOTLINE
1800 951145

For more information go to:
speakout.uca.org.au

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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

18th SEPT 2022

Flowers

Bronwyn Wilson

AV/Streaming

Clive Arthur

Kath Hamdan

Welcomers

Colin Gold

Pat Robinson

Announcements

Bev Ratcliffe

Elder

Pauline Doyle

Music

Robyn Bradley

Bible Reader

Alayne Guerin

Prayer

Minister

Offering Counting

Clive Arthur

Alan Bradley

Morning Tea

Annette Arthur

Robyn Johnson

Don Townsend

Sue Townsend

READINGS

PENTECOST 15

Jeremiah 8:18 - 9:1

Psalms 79:1-9

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 16:1-13

Please send notices for this news sheet to Grace

by noon **Wednesday**.

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