

16<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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# Keiraview Uniting News



Jeremiah 31:33-34

I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the Lord. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

welcome

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

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

## Thought for the Week

### Justice through Persistence

On Luke 18:1-8. The parable opens on a judge without respect for God or people, both important tenets of a life of discipleship, and God's character is conveyed by contrast to this unjust judge. The active player in this story is a widow who has been accused of an unknown wrongdoing. She does not ask politely that the judge consider her plight but demands justice – again and again. The scales the judge uses to weigh this issue are not those of justice, and yet justice is granted – because the widow does not relent, a persistence characteristic of many justice movements.

If even an unjust judge will grant justice based on persistence alone, how swiftly will God, often portrayed as a judge, grant justice to those who cry out? And yet, despite God's justice, Jesus observes a lack of faith among the people of God. In the widow's footsteps, may we engage in prayer as a persistent practice of resistance and approach injustice with posture of hope.

From UCA Lectionary Resources - 16th October 2022

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## PRAYERS

Pray for our world; sustainability, sharing and nurturing of our resources and all of creation.

Pray for the students in our communities starting their end of school examinations.

Pray for the students & families and staff of Wollongong West Primary School, and all those involved in the mentoring and Breakfast Club.

Pray for each other.

### A Prayer from UCA Lectionary Resources:

God of power and justice, like Jeremiah you weep over those who wander from you, turn aside to other gods, and enter into chaos and destruction. By your tears and through your mercy, teach us your ways and write them on our hearts so that we may follow faithfully the path you show us. Amen.

## COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	17:00- 18:30	<b>Evening Worship - Pizza &amp; Planning Meet</b>
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	10:00- 12:00	<b>Eden Playtime &amp; Community Gardening</b>
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	13:15- 14:15	<b>KYB Bible Study</b>
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	17:00- 18:30	<b>Keiraview Community Night Board Games</b>
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	19:30- 21:30	<b>Church Council Meeting</b>
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	19:00- 20:30	<b>Three:SixTeens Youth Group for kids in Yr 6-9</b>



## From the Safe Church Team

As at 27<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:safe-church@keiraview.org)



**Operation Christmas Child** Last Sunday Keiraview dedicated 64 shoeboxes that the congregation have put together. Thank you to everyone who filled a box, donated items and helped to pack the boxes.

We still need the \$10 donation to go with each box. If you are happy to help towards this it would be greatly appreciated. Thanks again from the children who will receive these shoebox gifts, Robyn Johnson

### **SSI Emmaus Celebration Gathering**

will be held on **Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> November** from 12pm at Corrimal Uniting Church. Over the years our community has been blessed with many wonderful servants who have supported and contributed to the Emmaus mission and vision. In appreciation of this, the Board would like to provide the opportunity for the community to celebrate together one last time. RSVP by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October to Grant Hornery [gkhornery@outlook.com](mailto:gkhornery@outlook.com)

**Pizza & Planning** for next Sunday's (23/10) evening service will be from 17:00-18:30 this **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October**. Contact Liana Whitten

**Walking Together** How can the Church embrace First People's Theology in a Post-Colonial Australia? The event is coming up at Wesley Conference Centre and online next **Sat, 22nd October**. Tickets close on 20<sup>th</sup> October. Register here: <https://bit.ly/3yHzYZo>

**SJE MAT** meeting will be held on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October** at 19:30-21:00 via zoom. Contact Scott Morrison.

**Lifeline's Big Book Fair** returns next weekend from **Fri 21<sup>st</sup> – Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> October** from 9am- 5pm at the Illawarra Sports Stadium, Berkeley. Every book you buy helps support the 24-hour 13 11 14 Lifeline Crisis Support Line so we can answer more phone calls to people in need, as well as suicide prevention services in the Illawarra, Shoalhaven and South Coast.

More: [www.lifelinesouthcoast.org.au/book-fair](http://www.lifelinesouthcoast.org.au/book-fair)

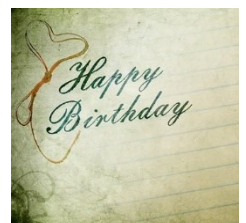
### **Food Fairness Illawarra**

Has a number of practical guides on how to participate in a fairer food system. From how to shop local and sustainably, to minimising food waste and eating well.



Check out the guides on their website, and the comprehensive directory of fair food in the Illawarra. <https://foodfairnessillawarra.org.au/>

**Birthday Card Writers** are needed! The Nurture & Fellowship MAT along with the leaders of Eden Playtime have agreed that it would be nice to send a birthday card to all the young children that are part of the Eden Playtime community (approximately 60 children). We are hoping that we will be able to get 12 volunteers to take on ONE MONTH in the year and send birthday cards to the kids that have a birthday in that month. We will need our first volunteer to write cards in the month of November.



The cards and stamps are ready and a message has been prepared. All we need are some people who will be happy to write in the cards and drop into a post box. If you would like to participate in the church's mission in this way please let Sandy, Robyn B. or Pauline know.

# Keiraview Congregational AGM

**Keiraview Church Elections** will be held on Sunday 13th November at 10:45 am. Nominations are being called for positions on Church Council, for Chair and Secretary of the Congregation, and for a Presbytery Rep. Please prayerfully consider if you, or someone in your thoughts, is being called to serve in this way. You may wish to speak to David on this matter.

Nominations to Bev Ratcliffe by **next Sunday, 23rd October**

## Presbytery Note: Seeking Committee Members

*Plans fail for lack of counsel but with many advisors they succeed (Proverbs 15:22).*

Join your Church Council or a Presbytery Committee and help the Uniting Church make a difference. Churches that grow have strong councils. Each one of us has a spiritual calling along with incredible skills, talents, abilities and experience. Is yours to serve on your Church Council or Presbytery Committee? Get involved, develop plans, provide advice.

Church Councils and Presbytery Committees meet monthly for around two hours. Being a member of a Church Council or Presbytery Committee means you are actively involved in caring for the people in your congregation and working together with others to discern what God is calling the Uniting Church to do and how to do it. There is a wide range of issues that come to the table during meetings and each of them is important in the wider work of the church. Personal qualities required

Church Councillors and members of Presbytery Committees need to be good listeners, be willing to speak up and express their point of view and be open minded to what others think who may have different points of view. You need to be willing to prioritise time to doing God's work in the world whilst also caring and supporting the people in your congregation. Church Councillors and Presbytery Committee members must be UCA members.

Is God calling you to serve on Church Council or Presbytery Committee? Feel free to talk with your minister, Presbytery member or any one of the current members of your Church Council.

Nominations for Presbytery Committees for 2023 close **31 October**. Contact Presbytery Administrator Vi Richardson for more information (0491 185 320) [Admin.ip@nswact.uca.org.au](mailto:Admin.ip@nswact.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

23<sup>rd</sup> OCT 2022

### Flowers

Robyn Johnson

### AV/Streaming

Ian Almond

Rod Doyle

### Welcomers

Colin Gold

Pat Judd

### Announcements

Bev Ratcliffe

### Elder

Pauline Doyle

### Music

Robyn Bradley

### Bible Reader

Annette Arthur

### Prayer

Norma Coudrey

### Offering Counting

Clive Arthur

Geoff Lattimore

### Morning Tea

Annette Arthur

Robyn Johnson

Glenys Jonston

Pat Waller

## READINGS

### PENTECOST 20

Joel 2:23-32

Psalms 65

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18: 9-14

Please send notices for this news sheet to Grace

**by noon Wednesday.**

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