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Is. 2:3

“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the temple of the God of Jacob.
He will teach us his ways,
so that we may walk in his paths.”

welcome

Morning Worship **9:30am**

Led by Rev. David Stuart

Evening Worship **6:30pm**

Led by Rev. David Stuart

Thought for the Week

Pursuing Peace We bring November to a close with a dream of peace. Isaiah offers Israel God's vision of the role it can play in unifying the nations with God's teachings. As the Israelites sure up arms and alliances to defend themselves from growing military powers like Assyria and Babylon, Isaiah reminds them that to “walk in the light of the Lord” is to pursue peace.

Instead of winning wars in God's name, Isaiah describes a world where “all the nations shall stream” to Israel to learn the wisdom of the God of Jacob. This vision disarms religion as a force for division and destruction, instead framing it as an offering to Israel's neighbours and the wider world. By describing a physical pilgrimage, Isaiah affirms how inextricable the faith of the Israelites is from their land, but that geography need not be an excluding factor.

God takes on the role of judge for all nations in this vision, arbitrating peaceably where difference causes conflict. Weapons of war become tools for gardening, exchanging the ways of violence for growth and unity.

UCA Reflections Lectionary 27th November 2022

PRAYERS

Pray for the Keiraview Advent and Christmas events starting this week.

Pray for ReGeneration worship.

Pray for the Advent Bible study

Pray for teachers and students as they come to the end of the year.

The Jesus Prayer

Jesus, lead us to the Father.

Jesus, be our light in darkness.

Jesus, send us your Spirit.

O Lord, baptise us with love

COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Sun 27 th	10:45	Advent Bible Study
Tues 29 th	10:00- 12:00	Eden Playtime & Community Gardening
Tues 29 th	19:30- 21:15	Safe Church team meeting
Thurs 1 st	16:00- 17:00	Keiraview Community Bible Study
Thurs 1 st	17:00- 20:30	Keiraview Community Night Ballroom dancing and Board Games
Fri 2 nd	17:30- 19:00	ReGeneration Worship
Fri 2 nd	19:00- 20:30	Three:SixTeens Youth Group for kids Yrs 5-8



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.

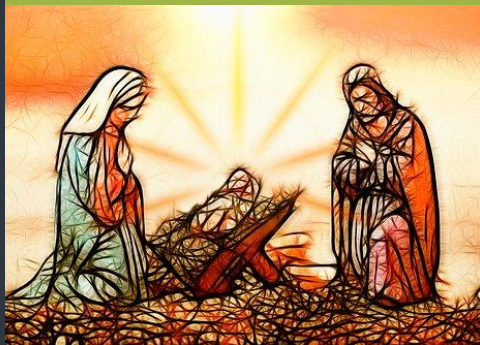
- Be aware of the symptoms of COVID. If you do have symptoms, do a RAT or get a PCR test. Avoid gatherings and services when you are unwell.

- You are encouraged to wear good quality masks when gathering indoors, 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



Keiraview Christmas Services

Save the dates for our Christmas services:

Christmas Without Them, Thurs. 15th Dec 7pm

Community Carols, Sun. 18th Dec. 5:30pm

Christmas Eve, Sat. 24th Dec. 6pm

Christmas Day, Sun. 25th Dec. 9:30am

Advent Bible Study A series of 4 Advent Bible studies will be held leading up to Christmas. There will be groups held on Sundays **27th November, 4th 11th & 18th December** following the morning service. The Sunday evening services will also use the Advent Study material and there will be a Thursday evening study group. Please keep these groups in mind and consider joining one of them.

Colin Buchanan's Christmas Concert

Christian artist Colin Buchanan is BACK, LIVE ON STAGE! There'll be dancing, excitement, fun and mayhem as we all sing along with Colin's classic kids Christian songs - plus a few surprises!

Thurs 15 December 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Wollongong Salvos Church
13 Burelli St, Wollongong NSW 2500

To book a ticket, please visit:
<https://colinbuchanan.com.au/blogs/shows>

If you know someone who would like to go but is experiencing financial difficulties, please contact Michelle Campanella on 0408 251 962

Safe Church Team Meeting to be held on Tuesday 29th November between 7:30-9:15pm. Contact Gavin Whitten

Keiraview Community Bible Study will begin on Thursday 1st December from 16:00-17:00pm (immediately before Community Night activities). Everyone is invited and welcome to attend. Contact Khairul Hamdan for more details.

Eden Playtime and Gardening invite you to join us on **Tuesday 29 November** from 10am til 12 noon to celebrate the Season of Advent.

Our families have enjoyed in the past meeting people from Keiraview church and would love to meet more of you.

We hope you will join us for a special pre-Christmas morning tea. Sit and talk while we make advent calendars. Please let Jenny Almond, Pat Robinson or Sue Lattimore know if you are coming.

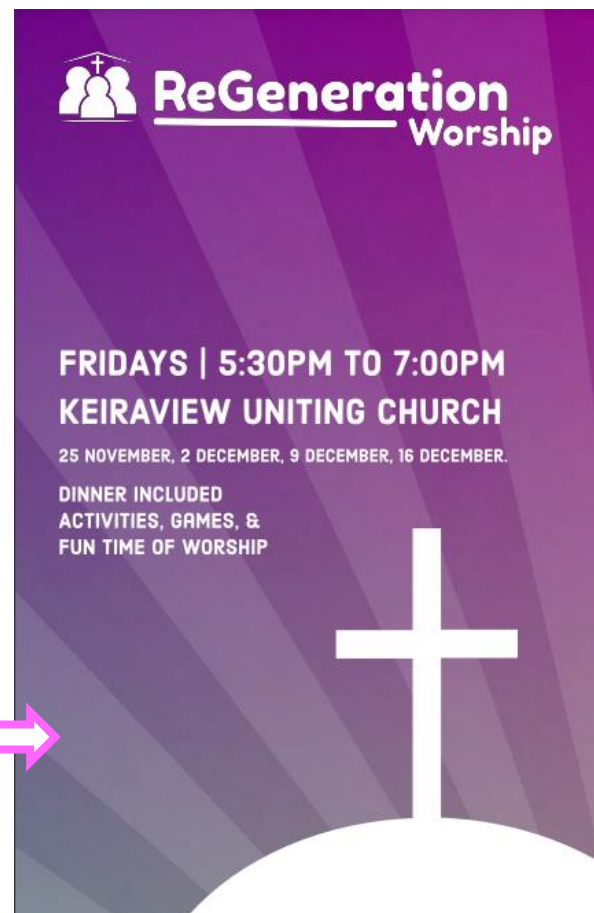
 **ReGeneration**
Worship

FRIDAYS | 5:30PM TO 7:00PM
KEIRAVIEW UNITING CHURCH

25 NOVEMBER, 2 DECEMBER, 9 DECEMBER, 16 DECEMBER.

DINNER INCLUDED
ACTIVITIES, GAMES, &
FUN TIME OF WORSHIP

ReGeneration Worship
CONTINUES THIS FRIDAY



Environmental



Quick Tips

Tips for Travelling More Responsibly. As we head towards the Summer Holidays and we start planning day trips and road trips, we can also prepare by considering responsible car travel.

- Speeding and unnecessary acceleration in the car reduces your mileage by up to 33%, wastes petrol and money, and increases your carbon footprint
- Properly inflated tyres improve petrol mileage by up to 3%
- It pays to use the correct grade motor oil and keep your engine tuned, because some maintenance fixes, like fixing faulty oxygen sensors, can increase fuel efficiency by up to 40%.

For more tips, visit cotap.org

Various Positions are available at these UCA South Coast Ministries.

- **Retail Manager MUUC Outreach Centre.** Part-time 30 hours/week. Milton-Ulladulla Uniting Church is seeking a manager of their Outreach Centre, an onsite second-hand goods retail store (op shop) that plays a key role in serving our local community. Applications close **5th December**.
- **Husky OpShop.** Part-time 19 hours/week. Bay & Basin Uniting Church is seeking a Development Officer of the Husky OpShop, a busy retail store that plays a key role in serving our local community. Applications close **9th December**.

For more information and position descriptions contact email: illawarrauca20@gmail.com

Quote for the Week

“O Thou which art,

Ecclesiastes names thee Almighty, the Maccabees name thee Creator, the Epistle to the Ephesians names thee Liberty, Baruch names thee Immensity, the Psalms name thee Wisdom and Truth, John names thee Light, the Book of Kings names thee Lord, Exodus names thee Providence, Leviticus, Sanctity; Esdras, Justice; creation names thee God, mankind names thee Father; but Solomon names thee Compassion, which is the most beautiful of all thy names.”

- Victor Hugo, *Les Misérables*



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



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

4th DEC 2022

Flowers

Annette Arthur

AV/Streaming

Ian Almond

Rod Doyle

Welcomers

Colin Gold

Pat Robinson

Announcements

Pat Waller

Elder

Alayne Guerin

Music

Lurline Butler

Bible Reader

Pat Waller

Prayer

Robyn Bradley

Communion Prep

Lyn Jones

Communion Elders

Pauline Doyle

Geoff Lattimore

Offering Counting

Clive Arthur

Alan Bradley

Morning Tea

Don Townsend

Sue Townsend

Sue Lattimore

Geoff Lattimore

READINGS

ADVENT 2

Is 11:1-10

Ps 72:1-7, 18-19

Rom 15:4-13

Mt 3:1-12

Please send notices for this news sheet to Naomi Barton **by noon Wednesday.**

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