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20th Week After Pentecost

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A Fairtrade Faith Community

Phil 4:8

Welcome

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

Evening Worship **6:00pm**
Led by David Stuart

Finally brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable—if there is any moral excellence and if there is anything praiseworthy—dwell on these things.

Come One and All!

This is the call we hear in the parable Jesus tells in Matthew 22:1-14 when he talks of a great banquet to which many people are invited to, but not everyone comes. There are some who refuse the invitation, so others are invited in their place, and it ends up being an open invitation for all people.

This is a wonderful image of the Kingdom of God – anyone and everyone is invited...come one and all. People are invited and welcomed into the banquet (kingdom) just as they are, however if we look a little deeper, we see there is a hope that people will be changed, they will find healing, wholeness, restoration and renewal and meaning.

These changes only come from taking part in and participating in the full aspects of the banquet, which means taking some action and responsibility as to how each person engages in the process. In the parable, this required wearing the correct attire once you were there. The question for us is what does it mean in our life? What might we need to change in order to continue growing in faith and engaging in the kingdom of God? What might need to be healed in our own life in order to allow us to grow closer to Jesus? What kingdom action (justice, mercy, love, grace) might we need to be part of in order to faithfully live as a disciple?

PRAYERS

Pray for those who are homeless or living in poverty, particularly children, the elderly and those with illness or disability.

Pray for other churches in the Illawarra Presbytery, especially those in financial strain or who have a lack of able volunteers

Pray for the ongoing growth in Christ of our members as we begin new prayer gatherings, fellowship groups and education courses

Pray for Doo Ah and her ministry with UOW students on and off campus, and also for the students she serves.

Pray for those who are living with illness or disability, and for those who love and care for them.

Pray for those who are being affected by climate change, and for those who are in a position to enact positive change in our environmental practices.

COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Tues Oct 17th	10:00am- 12:00pm	Eden Playtime
Tues Oct 17th	1:00pm- 3:00pm	KYB Bible Study
Tues Oct 17th	5:30pm - 7:30pm	Burgers n' Bibles
Thurs Oct 19th	5:00pm - 8:00pm	Keiraview Community Night
Fri Oct 20th	5:00pm - 9:30pm	Regeneration Youth Group

From the Safe Church Team

As at 4th June 2023

COVID is Still Around

- Be aware of the symptoms of Covid. If you do have symptoms, please stay home. Avoid gatherings and services if you are unwell.
- Good ventilation is still very important. If you are the first one to a meeting or gathering, please open the windows.
- When gathering indoors, it is still important to maintain a safe distance from others.

Are You a Volunteer at Keiraview?

- Have you filled in your volunteer forms for this year?
- If not, please speak to Pauline or Naomi about what is required.



Bible Studies at Keiraview

KYB Study : Tuesday afternoons 1:00 - 3:00pm. All women are welcome to attend.

Burgers n' Bibles: Tuesday evenings, 5:30 - 7:00pm. All adults welcome.

If you or your teen would like to help start or attend a small group for study, prayer and fellowship, please contact Naomi at office@keiraview.org to register interest.

Display of Talents at Farmborough Village

A display of Talents will be held at Farmborough Grove Village on Thursday 26 October from 2pm.

For a gold coin donation to charity come and see some of the Talents of our Village Seniors displayed.

There will be art, craft, woodwork, 3D puzzles, card making and much more.

All are welcome. Please contact Fae for more information on 02 42 713762

Operation Christmas Child – Shoebox Update

Robyn Johnson would like to thank everyone who helped with putting together shoeboxes this year.

Some people knitted or sewed or purchased items that went into these boxes. Other people gave money to purchase other things that were needed or to help with the shipping of the boxes to the countries where they are to be handed out to some very grateful children.

Some came and helped pack these boxes or filled their own box.

Some of the children who will receive these boxes may never have received a gift before. Children often receive just what they want or need in their shoebox.

Thank you again for all you have done to help. Please pray for the children who will receive your shoe boxes this year.

Advent Art – A Message from Rev. David

Calling all artists (painters, photographers, graphic designers, fashion designers etc.) within the Keiraview community.

I am wanting to compile a number of original artworks that reflect the themes of Advent – Hope, Peace, Joy and Love – with the idea of collating them into a booklet to use as the basis of our Advent study this year.

The artworks can be anything which express the themes of advent, whether individually or as a whole, and they can be in the form of a painting, image, photograph, clothing, or whatever it is that you can do. I would really like to use original artworks for this as I think it is important for us to see the gifts and talents we have within our congregations. Advent begins on Sunday 3rd of December, and I would like to have the booklet completed by Sunday 26th of November. I would need to have a photo of the artwork or the image itself, along with a brief summary of how it speaks of the theme it represents to include in the booklet.

If you are interested in contributing to this project, please contact me at minister@keiraview.org or on 0404 855 434.

“I pray because I can't help myself. I pray because I'm helpless. I pray because the need flows out of me all the time, waking and sleeping. It doesn't change God. It changes me.”

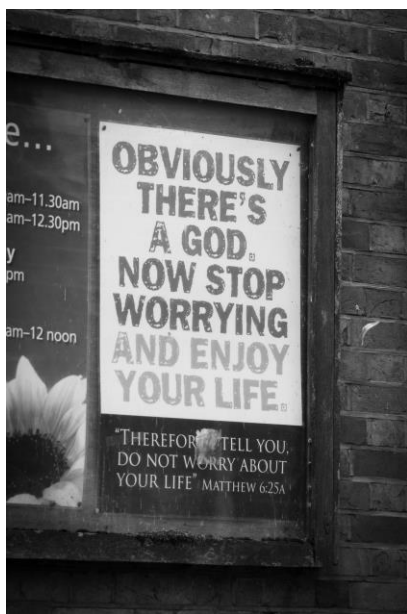
C. S. Lewis

Stand Up and Sing!

Have you been attending a church like Keiraview for many years? During that time have you learnt that before our hymns start, the organist or pianist plays a few bars of music, and then we all stand up to sing.

What do you think would happen if you were new to Keiraview and the Minister invites everyone to: "Please stand as we sing the next song"? Would you know to wait for a few bars of music to be played and then stand up? Or might you stand up straight away and then discover no one else is standing up yet? How do you think that might make you feel if that was you?

The Church Council would like to encourage all those who are able, to stand up together when the Minister invites us to stand, and not to wait for the introductory bars of music. The organist or pianist will still play the introductory bars, but we will all be standing ready to sing together.



Eden Café – Tuesday 24 October - 10:30 to Noon

Please come along to our next Eden Café at Keiraview for a cuppa and some fellowship.

This month we will be sharing book reviews and having a Book Swapping Table. If you have a favourite book you would like to share a review of, please let either Fae or Pauline know. If you have a spare book or two that you would like to swap for some new titles, bring them with you.

Come along and invite a friend to come with you to enjoy some fellowship and morning tea. Hope to see you there!

Thanksgiving Service – Wollongong Mission Congregation

Everyone is invited to a service of thanksgiving marking the transition of the Wollongong Mission Congregation to the Wollongong Wesley Morning Faith Community and the Wesley Congolese Faith Community.

Date: Sunday, November 5th

Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Wollongong Church on the Mall,
Crown St Wollongong

The service will be followed by afternoon tea.
We look forward to seeing you there.

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22nd October 2023

Flowers

Annette Arthur

AV/Streaming

Khairul Hamdan
Kath Hamdan

Welcomers

Keith Smyth
Thelma Smyth

Announcements

Pat Waller

Elder

Geoff Lattimore

Music

Grace Kennedy

Bible Reader

Clive Arthur

Prayer

Alayne Guerin

Offering Counting

Alan Bradley
Lyn Jones

Morning Tea

Ian Almond
Jenny Almond
Don Townsend
Sue Townsend

READINGS

OCTOBER 15, 2023

Ex 32:1-4
Ps 106:1-6, 19-23
Phil 4:1-9
Mt 22:1-14



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