

29th October 2023

22nd Week After Pentecost

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# Keiraview Uniting News



Mat 22:37-39

## Welcome

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

Evening Worship **6:00pm**  
Led by Generation Now

[Jesus] said to him: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and most important command. The second is like it: love your neighbour as yourself."

## Authentic Love

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A Fairtrade Faith Community

There is never a shortage of opportunities to express the kind of authentic love that Jesus practiced. Within our own homes and families, when we prioritise showing love, we discover that our relationships are deepened, our commitment levels are heightened, and our willingness to navigate conflicts with self-giving is strengthened.

In our churches, when we engage with each other with love, we learn from one another, celebrate our differences and make room for the needs of others. Conflicts over the details of worship and ministry prioritise become easier to navigate.

When love drives our mission, the community around us feels and notices the difference. Those who struggle financially are able to find support and dignity in the church. Those who seek God are welcomed, even though they may think or act differently. Those who find themselves in crisis discover a place of safety and comfort and help.

This has always been how the Church should work, but we have too often allowed our fear to conquer our love, and we too easily shut others out, point fingers and pronounce judgment.

It is not our condemnation of others, nor our fear of them, that will lead us to God's life. Rather, our striving to live out the self-giving love of Christ will bring life to those around us and those who are share in our community. We know this, but fail to live it. Perhaps this week our worship can help us to let what we know become what we do.

### 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 our church council and its members, both those whose roles are ongoing and those who have been elected to serve for the first time.

### COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Mon Oct 30th	7:30- 9:30pm	<b>SJ&amp;E Mat Meeting</b>
Tues Oct 31st	10:00am- 12:00pm	<b>Eden Playtime</b>
Tues Oct 31st	1:00pm- 3:00pm	<b>KYB Bible Study</b>
Tues Oct 31st	5:30pm - 7:30pm	<b>Burgers n' Bibles</b>
Thurs Nov 2nd	5:00pm - 8:00pm	<b>Keiraview Community Night</b>
Fri Nov 3rd	7:00pm- 9:30pm	<b>Regeneration Youth Group</b>

## From the Safe Church Team

As at 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:office@keiraview.org) to register interest.

### Evening Worship – Generation Now

The evening service this Sunday 29th of October will be led by the current generation of young people in the life of our congregation.

It will be a great time of worship as we explore the theme of "Being Ourselves in Christ" through fun activities, prayer, teaching and music.

Come along to experience a different style of worship, and to support and encourage our young people.

### Evening Worship – Questions of Faith and Life

The evening service next week, 5th of November, will be based around an interview with Rev. Doo Ah Leming (UCA Chaplain - UOW) and her husband Lew Leming.

This will be a great time of getting to know Doo Ah and Lew and hearing about their life, faith and ministry.

### Rev. David is on Leave Soon...

David will be on leave from Thursday 2nd of November to Sunday 5th of November. Rev. Grant Bilbey (Presbytery Minister - Vital Ministry) will be preaching at the 9:30am service, with the 6pm service being led by the congregation.

If you have any immediate pastoral needs at this time, please contact Scott Morrison or Pauline Doyle.

### Advent Preparation

Rev. David is still looking for creative works (painting, image, photograph, clothing etc.) that reflect the themes of Advent – Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. These works will be collated and compiled into a study/reflection booklet to use through the season of Advent. The original works will also be displayed in the worship space throughout Advent. If you have anything which expresses these themes, please let David know so they can be added to the study. Please also write a sentence or two about how the piece speaks of the theme it represents.

Rev. David is gathering a group to write liturgy (prayers, calls to worship, blessings, music etc.) to use during the Advent season. If this sounds like something you might be interested in, come along on Thursday 9th of November at 6:30pm and Sunday 19th of November at 4:30pm to pray and look through the readings and themes of Advent.

A big thank you to those who have sent through works already, those who have said they are working on something, and those who have indicated they are keen to be part of the liturgy group...there are some very creative people in our midst.

For further information and to register your interest in being involved, email David at [minister@keiraview.org](mailto:minister@keiraview.org)

## Church Council Nominations

Our Church Council elections will be held on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> November, at 5pm.

Nominations are for the following church members:

- Alayne Guerin
- Danny Ivanovski
- Ross Johnson
- Geoff Lattimore

Please pray for these folk and for this important event on our Church Calendar.

- Bev Ratcliffe (Chair of the Congregation)

## Thursday Prayer Group

Please note that there will be no morning prayer group on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The next meeting of the Thursday morning prayer group will be Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

## Updates From Property

A friendly reminder that if you are the last to leave the Keiraview facility after an event, please check and ensure that all windows and doors are properly closed.

We've had a couple of security instances lately where alarms have been triggered as doors haven't been properly secured (our security monitoring company notifies our property committee, who then need to attend the site in person to conduct a check.)

## Reserved Parking Space

Please note the car parking space beyond the pedestrian crossing is now marked Reserved - this space is only for use by staff or the Uniting Bus.



## ROSTER

5<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### Flowers

Colleen Claydon

### AV/Streaming

Kath Hamdan  
Khairul Hamdan

### Welcomers

Pat Waller  
Pat Robinson

### Announcements

Annette Arthur

### Elder

Alayne Guerin

### Music

Lurline Butler

### Bible Reader

Geoff Lattimore

### Prayer

Norma Coudrey

### Communion Preparation

Alayne Guerin

### Communion Elders

Pauline Doyle  
Geoff Lattimore

### Offering Counting

Alan Bradley  
Ross Johnson

### Morning Tea

Annette Arthur  
Sandy Brisbane  
Rod Doyle  
Robyn Johnson

## READINGS

OCTOBER 29, 2023

Deut 34:1-12  
Ps 90:1-6; 13-17  
1 Thess 2:1-8  
Mt 22:34-46



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