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19th 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.

Sent-tember: The Sent Ones

We have arrived at the final week of our series based on “Surprise the World” and using the BELLS model for evangelism – speaking about and sharing our faith.

So far we have engaged with four habits to develop in our daily life to help us live out our call as disciples of Jesus Christ to be missional people – **Bless Eat Listen Learn** – this Sunday we look at the final habit - **Sent**

What are we sent for? Who are we sent to? What does it mean to be sent? How do we live as sent people? These are all very important questions for us to be asking in our faith and life as disciples of Jesus.

In scripture, the word used to describe one who is sent is “apostle.” It is used to describe a group of people like the twelve apostles, but it is also used to express the action which these people undertake in representing the one they are sent by. It is helpful to think of it in terms of being an ambassador, delegate or emissary who speaks on behalf of someone else or has certain power to act in a particular way.

We are sent into the world (our community, where we live, work, shop...everywhere we go) by God, through Jesus, in the power of the Holy Spirit, to live in a way which expresses the kingdom of God. Our whole lives must somehow show others what the kingdom of God is like. This is done through not just what we say and do, but how we listen, how we interact with others, how we go about making decisions, and above all, how we love.

PRAYERS

Pray for the Voice Referendum next Saturday, including for those who have volunteered or are volunteering their time in this important process. Pray that the results peacefully and righteously reflect God’s will for our nation.

Pray for those who are homeless or living in poverty, particularly children.

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.

COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Tues Oct 10th	10:00am- 12:00pm	Eden Playtime
Tues Oct 10th	1:00pm- 3:00pm	KYB Bible Study
Tues Oct 10th	5:30pm - 7:30pm	Burgers n’ Bibles
Thurs Oct 12th	5:00pm - 8:00pm	Keiraview Community Night
Fri Oct 13th	5:00pm - 9:30pm	Trivia Night

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.

SENT-TEMBER

If we are sent to express the kingdom of God in our life, it is helpful to understand the kingdom ourselves. Essentially the kingdom of God can be understood through four characteristics: Reconciliation, Justice, Beauty, and Wholeness. We will explore these characteristics more throughout the service as well as look at how we can live these out in our life.

- Scripture Reading: Matthew 11:2 – 6 and Matthew 28:16 – 20
 - Background Reading: *Surprise the World* Ch. 7
 - Missional value – Apostleship
 - Challenge – I will journal throughout the week about the ways I alerted others to the kingdom of God this week.
- Rev. David Stuart

Burgers n' Bibles

Do you like reading the Bible with others in a casual, friendly environment?

Do you like burgers?

Are you free between 5:30-7:30 on a Tuesday night during term?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, Burgers n' Bibles might be just what you're looking for. We are currently doing a study on the book of James.

Please see Khairul if you would like to come along, or for more details.

UOW Lunches

Keiraview has been asked to support the Mission at UOW by providing lunches on Tuesday 17th October. Each lunch consists of a sandwich, fruit & a piece of cake or slice.

If you can help make a few sandwiches, please let Pauline Doyle know.

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.

Naomi's Back from Holidays!

Thank you to everyone who helped carry on my duties while I was away, particularly Rod and Pauline Doyle who took over the newsletter and bookings. I had a lovely time in England, including 'champing' (church camping) in several medieval village churches and visiting more modern ones, meeting and worshipping with many believers in the Church of England.

office@keiraview.org is now back in commission and is the best way to contact me, particularly urgently.

Below is a photo I took of the tower of St Mary the Virgin in Dartmoor, Devon, which is one of the churches my friend and I stayed at in our travels. There has been a church on the site to God's glory for 1400 years!



Request for Volunteers

Each day the Wollongong Community Care Centre, located adjacent to Wollongong Mission Church, serves around 80 meals to our community in need.

Volunteers are needed on **Friday 13 October** to assist with the Spring-Time Spruce Up.

The main tasks are moving tables, moving mulch etc..

The Bunnings Community Support Program will be supplying trade volunteers, tools, and materials to paint the kitchen, dining area walls and ceilings, and external posts; to install a new notice board; to install extra outside seating and pine bark mulch on the Triangle and other garden areas; karcher-clean around garden beds; weeding and more.

Volunteers will be catered for by Bunnings with the assistance of Karen Zaini, Community Care Centre Food Program Co-ordinator, who is thrilled to have this happen around her workspace.

Please let us know if you can assist for catering purposes – email by Monday 9 October. Admin.ip@nswact.uca.org.au

Save the Date

What date? : Saturday 25th November

What for? : We are planning to hold a masquerade ball and auction on that date to raise money in order to sponsor two children at Agape children's home in Thailand.

If you have anything you would like to donate for the auction, please see Robyn Johnson.

ROSTER

15th October 2023

Flowers

Colleen Claydon

AV/Streaming

Ian Almond
Colin Gold

Welcomers

Pat Waller
Pat Robinson

Announcements

Bev Ratcliffe

Elder

Alayne Guerin

Music

Kerryn Morrison

Bible Reader

Alayne Guerin

Prayer

David Stuart

Offering Counting

Ross Johnson
Geoff Lattimore

Morning Tea

Annette Arthur
Jenny Almond
Robyn Johnson
Sue Lattimore

READINGS

OCTOBER 8, 2023

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

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