



EASTWOOD UNITING CHURCH

14 - 16 Lakeside Road, Eastwood

17th March 2019

WELCOME TO ALL WHO ARE WITH US FOR THE FIRST TIME.

MAY YOU EXPERIENCE GOD'S PRESENCE AS WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

17th March 8.00am Worship

Phil & Peggy Looby

9.30am Worship

Michaela Sisk

Psalm 27:1-6, Luke 13:31-35

'From threat to lament'

从威胁到恸哭

위협에서 슬픔에 이르기까지

12.00 Marsfield Outreach Barbeque

2.00pm Chinese Service

Esther Shih

24th March 8.00am Worship

Allan Harrington

9.30am Worship

Howard Clark

John 9:1-41

'Love—potential amidst poverty'

2.00pm Chinese Service

Frank Kwok

欢迎所有第一次来参加崇拜的朋友们。

希望你们在和我们一起崇拜的时候感受到上帝的存在。

유나이팅 교회에 처음 방문해주신 모든 분들을 환영합니다. 함께 예배하는 가운데 살아계신 주님을 만나고 돌아갈 수 있길 소망합니다.



We are glad that you are here, and we hope that the service is thought-provoking, relevant and helpful as we worship together.

MARSHFIELD OUTREACH BARBEQUE Today at 12 noon in Waterloo Park, Marsfield. A great opportunity to engage with the wider community. All welcome.



THE HAPPY WANDERERS are off to Buckley's Restaurant at Circular Quay Tuesday 19th March. Train to Circular Quay. Trains leave Epping 10.47am, Eastwood 10.51, West Ryde 10.56. Arrive at Central platform 16 at 11.25 and transfer to platform 17 for Circular Quay. Meeting point—Ferries to Manly Wharf by 11.45. Ron Hoffmann has more information.

LENT and MEDITATION - Paul says "*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances*". Meditation in the long Christian tradition can draw you closer to praying without ceasing in this time of Lent. Join us to experience this ancient Christian practice, Mondays 8.00pm in the Lakeside Chapel. Call Allan Harrington 0408 961 486 for more information.

SYMPATHY. It is with great sadness that we let you know of the death of John Loxton last Monday night. Our prayers are with Michelle and his family at this sad time. A Thanksgiving Service for John will be held on Monday 25th March at 1pm at Eastwood Uniting Church.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK TO:



Owen Gillard	Tuesday	19th March
Yashmin Lance	Wednesday	20th March
Doreen Wright	Wednesday	20th March
Jake Choe	Friday	22nd March
Michelle Weatherburn	Saturday	23rd March

THIS WEEK'S DIARY DATES

Monday	18 Mar	English Language Classes	9.30am
		'Meditation - a Christian Spiritual Journey'	8.00pm
Tuesday	19 Mar	English Language Classes	7.30pm
		Bible Study at Stephen Kemp's	8.00pm
Wednesday	20 Mar	Women's Bible Study	10.30am
		Bible Study at Bronwyn & Kingsley's	7.00pm
Thursday	21 Mar	Bible study at the church	8.00pm
Friday	22 Mar	Bible study at the church	10.00am
		Chinese Prayer Meeting	10.30am

VOLUNTEERS APPRECIATION EVENING - March 30th at 7.00pm.

Please mark this in your diaries and come and enjoy the hospitality and entertainment from the staff here at EUC.

FAITH IN ACTION See diary dates above for places and times. There is still time to join a group. Copies of study 2 are on the table in the foyer.

INSIGHTS MAGAZINE for Autumn is available in the foyer.

SYNOD 2019. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else to attend Synod this year, the meeting is on July 5-7 in the Great Hall of Knox Grammar School in Wahroonga. Please contact the church office for a nomination form. Nomination forms need to be sent to the Presbytery office by 25 March.

URGENT APPEAL

from Bridge for Asylum Seekers Foundation.

They are so short of money that even the \$75-a-week support they provide is beyond them. Demand for funding is about \$33,000 a month, however, monies from regular donors total about \$4,400. (Grants to make up the shortfall are precious few until the new financial year). Policy changes by the Dept of Home Affairs have stripped clients of support.

Please consider a direct debit to UnitingCare—Bridge for Asylum Seekers Foundation BSB 634 634 A/c # 100028813. Cheque or money order to Bridge for Asylum Seekers Foundation Box 868 Newtown. 2042

lentevent) 2019 - 'find courage, build hope, end poverty'

is 40 days of simple living and inspiration by people building God's Kingdom. Join others who are giving up something from daily life. Saving what they'd otherwise have spent, donating and fundraising for projects that help end poverty and build hope. The focus in 2019 is water and sanitation, leadership and child protection in Timor Leste. Brochures and information available on the table in the foyer.



During the struggle for independence, a generation of people in Timor Leste were traumatised by violence and have missed out on basic education. There's now a severe shortage of leaders and teachers, particularly in rural areas. As well, there is widespread violence against women and children. More than half Timor Leste's population live below the poverty line of \$2 a day and 60% cannot read or write. The need for education and support is great.

With very high levels of violence against children widely reported, the Church has identified leadership training in child protection as their most urgent need. We are helping the church develop child protection policies to immediately implement them in schools and communities, standing up to sexual violence in a culture which often protects perpetrators due to shame.

Your donation will enable our partners to train teachers and leaders to prevent child abuse in their communities, educate families on better ways to relate to children and provide support those who've been harmed.



PRAYER

We are all your children and we pray for our friends in Timor Leste, teaching, guiding, nurturing and loving in your name. Give us the courage to stand beside our neighbours as they build a nation and to see each child as precious as our own. Amen.



GILGANDRA NEWS

Gilgandra UC has asked us to join their community in praying for relief from the continuing drought throughout their area.

WEST EPPING UC is holding a community action workshop, in conjunction with the Synod Social Justice Forum. Meeting at 2 p.m. on Sunday 24th March in 'The cottage' at West Epping UC. For further information and expressions of interest please contact Marion Gledhill.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 2019 23rd March—1st April at Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Exhibition Space—Campbell St, Northmead. For more information or to book contact Northmead Uniting Church 9890 5814 or nuchurch@bigpond.net.au.

Questions to ponder

沉思一些问题

숙고해야할 질문들

What situation has caused you great grief in the name of the Lord? Or, what situation causes you to lament similarly to Jesus lamenting over Jerusalem?

有什么情况使得你以主的名义感到极大的悲痛？或者，什么情况使得你跟耶稣哀悼耶路撒冷一样哀悼？

Are you willing to take actions to correct or help the situation?

你是否愿意采取行动去纠正或者帮助这种情况？

What are you willing to give up or sacrifice to work in the name of the cause?

你愿意放弃或者牺牲什么去以这个目标的名义去努力？

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Mission: Witness to the gospel and spread the good news of Jesus Christ in word and action.

Vision: Engage and connect with our diverse community through active discipleship.

Values:	Visible	可见的	비전을 가질 수가 있고
	Inclusive	包容的	포괄적이 될 수있고
	Relevant	相关的	적절하고
	Active	积极的	역동적이 될 것이다

LECTIONARY READINGS:

Mar 17 Lent 2: Gen 15:1-12 & 17-18, Ps 27, Phil 3:17 - 4:1, Lk 13:31-35.

Mar 24 Lent 3: Is 55:1-9, Ps 63:1-8, 1 Cor 10:1-13, Lk 13:1-9

WEEKLY NOTICES, and **SUNDAY SERVICES** for Eastwood are available for viewing on our website. So, if you are away on any Sunday you can catch up at www.euc.org.au

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