



## EASTWOOD UNITING CHURCH

*14 - 16 Lakeside Road, Eastwood*

**24th March 2019**

**WELCOME TO ALL WHO ARE WITH US FOR THE FIRST TIME.  
MAY YOU EXPERIENCE GOD'S PRESENCE AS WE WORSHIP TOGETHER**

24th March 8.00am Worship

Allan Harrington

9.30am Worship

Howard Clark

John 9:1-41

*'Love—potential amidst poverty'*

'사랑, 가난 속에 잠재하고 있는 가능성'

2.00pm Chinese Service

Frank Kwok

31st March 8.00am Worship

9.30am Worship

Nicholas Fried and  
Christopher Cooper

Luke 15:11b-32

*'The prodigal daughter'*

浪子女儿 방탕 한 딸

Reception of new members

2.00pm Chinese Service

Moling Chun

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.*

**WE WELCOME** to our service today Howard Clark.

Howard is Volunteer Ambassador with Uniting World. In

speaking to churches and groups he helps to make

connections for change. Howard believes that one of the

most important aspects of UnitingWorld is that every day in

every program, the many people involved in partnership with UnitingWorld

around the world acknowledge the uniqueness of each individual human

and their importance as the created image of God. Howard previously was

a school teacher and later moved to teaching Religious Education, more

recently, he was relieving Chaplain at MLC Burwood.



**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.

**A THANKSGIVING SERVICE AND CELEBRATION** for the life of John Loxton will be held tomorrow at 1pm at Eastwood Uniting Church. All welcome. Please keep Michelle and her family in your prayers.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK TO:**



John Court

Monday

25th March

Kel Edgar

Tuesday

26th March

Arthur Tooke

Tuesday

26th March

Kathleen Herring

Thursday

28th March

Kirby Todd

Saturday

30th March

## **THIS WEEK'S DIARY DATES**

Monday	25 Mar	English Language Classes	9.30am
		'Meditation - a Christian Spiritual Journey'	8.00pm
Tuesday	26 Mar	English Language Classes	7.30pm
		Bible Study at Stephen Kemp's	8.00pm
Wednesday	27 Mar	Women's Bible Study	10.30am
Thursday	28 Mar	Bible study at the church	8.00pm
Friday	29 Mar	Bible study at the church	10.00am
		Chinese Prayer Meeting	10.30am
Saturday	30 Mar	Chinese Bible Fellowship	10.00am

***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.

***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.

***UNITING CHURCH'S BIENNIAL CHINESE NATIONAL CONFERENCE.***

Some of the Chinese-speaking people from our congregation are in Melbourne this weekend attending this conference that brings together Chinese leaders and people of the same culture to meet together for worship, fellowship and development. Jason is also attending and will be happy to share about his experience when he returns. Eastwood Church Council resolved to support 4 people from the 2pm worship to participate.

### ***'PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS'***

Doreen D. for recovery

Sue Howes thanks everyone who prayed for her during her illness. She is in remission at the moment.

**lentevent** <sup>+</sup> 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.



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**

Jesus who healed the sick, touched the hands of those with leprosy and the eyes of the blind: we give you thanks for the miracle of modern medicine. For the commitment of all who study and give their lives in the service of others. We thank you for clinics, hospitals and doctors, nurses, technicians and educators around the world who bring health and hope back into the lives of millions. We think especially today of our friends in Timor Leste. For women, men and children in their thousands who've seen pain transformed and the many more who continue to suffer. We ask that we, like the Christ we follow, might bind up wounds and bring healing in our prayer, our giving and our acting together this Lent. Amen.

### ***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



## 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. today 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](mailto:nuchurch@bigpond.net.au).

### Questions to ponder

沉思一些问题

숙고해야할 질문들

What kind of person do you find it most easy to overlook and ignore?

당신은 어떤 사람들이 가장 쉽게 간과 되거나 무시하기 쉬운 것을 알 수가 있는가?

In what situations, do you find it most easy to overlook shared humanity and us all being children of God?

어떠한 상황에서 당신은 나누어진 인간성과 우리 모두가 하나님의 자녀가 됨이 간과 되는 것이 쉽다는 것을 알게되는가?

Do you ever forget love and judge others too harshly?

당신은 사랑을 잊고 남을 너무 쉽게 판단을 하지는 않는가?

## We are all ministers in Christ's name

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### Please send all notices to the Office



**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.

<b>Values:</b>	Visible	可見的	비전을 가질 수가 있고
	Inclusive	包容的	포괄적이 될 수있고
	Relevant	相關的	적절하고
	Active	積極的	역동적이 될 것이다

### LECTIONARY READINGS:

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

Mar 31 Lent 4: Jos 5:9-12, Ps 32, 2 Cor 5:16-21, Lk 15:1-3, 11b-32.

**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](http://www.euc.org.au)

<b>Banking Details for Direct Giving:    BSB:    634 634</b> <b>Account #:    100020668</b>
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