



EASTWOOD UNITING CHURCH

14 - 16 Lakeside Road, Eastwood

3rd November 2019

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

3rd November	8.00am Worship	Catherine Leal
	9.30am Worship Psalm 119:137-144, Luke 19:1-10 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12	Catherine & Mark Leal
	10.45am Holy Communion <i>'Getting a bird's eye view'</i> Luke 19:1-10	Sandra Batey
	2.00pm Chinese Service	Frank Kwok
10th November	8.00am Worship	
	9.30am Holy Communion 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17, Luke 20:27-38 <i>'Holding fast'</i>	Graham Perry
	2.00pm Chinese Service	Kitty Kwei

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.

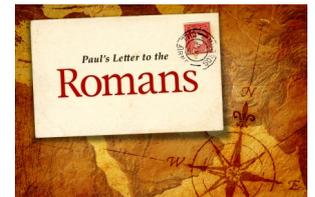
We are glad you are here, and hope the service is thought-provoking, relevant and helpful.

NICHOLAS has been slowly improving this week, and the family is thankful for everyone's prayers and well wishes.

Thank You

To everyone who has stepped up to help in so many ways while Nicholas is on sick leave. Michelle and Kerrie especially appreciate your help as we try to keep things 'ticking along'. We will continue to need assistance with the worship services in the near future.

BIBLE STUDIES. The studies will start this week and will run for 4 weeks. Study booklets are on the table in the foyer, please look for the copy with your name on it. It's not too late to join a group, if you have not signed up. Spare copies are also on the table for anyone who would like one.



Wednesday Morning: 10am at Christopher and Elisabeth Cooper's,
Wednesday Evening: 8pm at Bob & Kerrie Springett's,
Thursday Evening: 8pm at John Court's.

More information from Bob on 0408 448 107 or call the church office.



FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP will meet at Wings Restaurant, Vimiera Road Marsfield on Friday 15th November at 12 noon. Please let Elaine know you will be coming. Phone 9868 2895.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Phil Howes

Wednesday 6th Nov

THIS WEEK'S DIARY DATES

Monday	4 Nov	English Language Classes	9.30am
		Happy Friend's Club Table Tennis	12.30pm
		Meditation: A Christian Spiritual Journey	7.30pm
Tuesday	5 Nov	English Language Classes	7.30pm
Wednesday	6 Nov	Women's Bible Study	10.00am
Friday	7 Nov	Chinese Prayer Meeting	10.30am



EUCMS SUPPERS. The show finishes up next Saturday. If you are able to help with baking or serving please contact Janine on 0403 313 537.

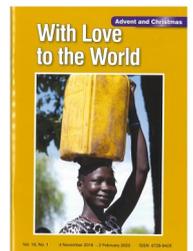
CHERRY PICKING BUS TRIP on 17th December.

Departing 7am from Eastwood Library and returning around 8pm. BYO lunch or join others for a buffet lunch at Orange Bowling Club (at your expense). Taste the freshest cherries and buy some to bring home for Christmas. Early bird registration and payment by 13 November is \$50, after 13th \$60. Contact Tennyson or the church office to register.



EASTWOOD BARBEQUE Sunday 17th November in Eastwood Park from 11.30am. Please come and meet people from our local community

WITH LOVE TO THE WORLD for the period 4 Nov—2 Feb covering Advent and Christmas is available on the table in the foyer. Cost \$5.



'PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS'

Nicholas F. in hospital.

Navan N. in the San Hospital

Pat E. now back home



LOOSELY WOVEN—EVENING PRIMROSE. A light-hearted acoustic concert with 19 instrumentalists and singers. 7pm, Friday 6th December at EUC. More information from Robert 9807 6728.

LOFA'S ORDINATION. Saturday 9 November at 2pm Tau'alofa Fakaloloma-Ki-Ngatabuwae Anga'aelangi is being ordained at Auburn Uniting Church, 60 Harrow Rd, Auburn. RSVP to assist with catering numbers by phone: 0403 283 756 or email: langaaelangi@me.com

SAFE CHURCH AWARENESS WORKSHOPS Wednesday 20th November at Uniting Church Pitt St Sydney. Full workshop from 10am–3.30pm or Refresher 10am—1.30pm. Also at Turrumurra Uniting Saturday 23rd November Full workshop 12.30– 5.30pm or refresher 1.30pm-3.30pm. Cost: \$25 full or Refresher \$20. Registrations at safechurch@nswact.uca.org.au. Please see flyer on the noticeboard.

NORTH RYDE TWILIGHT COMMUNITY MARKET 4pm—8pm on 9th November 6-8 Cutler Pde North Ryde. Gourmet foods, craft, clothes, jewellery, gifts.

EPPING UNITING CHURCH—2 upcoming events.

NEIGHBOURHOOD NIGHT 14th Nov 7.30-9.00. Discussing affordable housing, transport etc. Representatives from Sydney Alliance and Uniting Social Justice. More information 0412 687 105

FREE DISABILITY EXPO 22nd Nov 10am to 1pm. Providing Chinese and local communities' general information relating to disability services and support. Enquiries Jini 0475 820 564 (Chinese) or Andrew 0412 687 105 (English) or go to <https://wj.qq.com/s4446249/2483> to register.

'CROSSINGS' We recently advertised an event for Beecroft Uniting Church which was called "Crossings". Bruce Graham kindly sent a report of the event in this week's SSCP News.

During the past week I attended a Community Forum called "Crossings", mentioned in a previous newsletter. The topic was "How we should respond as people of faith to the many aspects of Climate Change". The result was a fascinating journey across wildly different intersections and perspectives.

A speaker from Defence told us how the concept of “defence” now includes considering sustainability, defending us from an environmental disaster as well as persons and countries hostile to us. Purchasing material must now allow for this.

We were astonished to learn that manufacture and use of concrete is responsible for 7 percent of world emissions of carbon dioxide.

A speaker from Pacific Calling Partnership explained that this partnership is active in enhancing the voice of those from islands, especially those most affected or least able to make their voice heard. Kiribati is composed entirely of atolls. Tuvalu is only 3 metres above sea level and wave-driven flooding there causes immense damage, including infiltration of fresh water. Millions are set to be displaced.

David Reichardt outlined the common misunderstanding of the difference between climate and weather: the average person finds it difficult to imagine a 10,000- year cycle and how mankind has disrupted this natural cycle.

Emma Heyde, councillor from Hornsby, told us how this council came close to declaring a state of climate emergency. She suggested that we should not just grieve or despair: we have risen to emergencies before.

A speaker from the Centre for Smart Green Cities at Macquarie University explained the great importance of trees, showing an aerial heat map of a suburb where only areas planted with trees were cool.

Our UC Advocate for the Environment showed us how individual churches (and people) can make a difference. Trees can be planted, gardens created, water re-cycled, setting a fine and visible example. There is a good deal of such activity in the Lane Cove area.

Another speaker from Macquarie’s Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences also emphasised the importance of “ground-up” activity. He claimed that population growth is usually presented as the core problem, one without a solution, but he reminded us that developed countries use up 80% of the world’s resources. Thus our collective responsibility is greater and individual action is important in swaying authorities. We could each buy only green power, for example. We can join a group and add to the numbers of concerned people.

I asked a speaker about petitions: she said that individual letters to members of the parliaments and similar bodies are more effective. So we could each resolve to write one letter a month and support what the UC is doing at the National level could we not?

Bruce Graham

