



EASTWOOD UNITING CHURCH

14 - 16 Lakeside Road, Eastwood

24th November 2019

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



24th November	8.00am Worship	Chris Wakefield
	9.30am Worship Psalm 150, John 4:7-14 <i>'As pants the hart: a desire for God'</i>	Christopher Cooper and John Brunton
	2.00pm Chinese Service Community Fun Day	Kenrick Fung
1st December	8.00am Worship	Phil & Sue Howes
	9.30am Worship Psalm 122, Matthew 24:36-44 <i>'Waiting for the Face of God'</i> '等待上帝的臉' '하나님의 모습을 기다림'	Jason Masters
	10.45am Holy Communion <i>'Now where did that come from?'</i> Luke 1:47-55	Sandra Batey
	2.00pm Chinese Service	Edward Lin

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 is now out of hospital and at home recuperating, but he is very tired and weak. Please, no visitors at this stage. The family would like to thank people for their prayers and best wishes.

SPECIAL MISSION MEETING The church council has organised a meeting with Rev Dr Ji Zhang on **Thursday 5 December** at 7.30pm in the Worship Centre and extends an invitation to anyone interested in mission with Chinese-speaking people, to attend this meeting. It will commence with supper at 7.30pm followed by the meeting at 8.00pm.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR BUSHFIRES. The Synod of NSW and ACT has declared 1 December—the first day of Advent—as a special day to acknowledge the efforts of all our emergency services, local authorities, volunteers and community members who all played a vital part in fighting the recent bushfires. The Moderator has written a prayer for our use and there will be an opportunity for you to donate to the Moderator's Appeal. The Appeal will direct funds to communities and individuals giving short term financial assistance to those suddenly and unexpectedly in need.

THE CHRISTMAS BOWL OF REMEMBRANCE Today is the first



Sunday of the Christmas Bowl appeal. Each week we will be showing a video during the service outlining how your gift will be used. There will be a

Bowl near the sound desk each Sunday during December for your gift or call 1800 025 101 or go to actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl to donate.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Malcolm Gledhill	Thursday	28th Nov
Priya Edward	Friday	29th Nov

THIS WEEK'S DIARY DATES

Monday	25 Nov	English Language Classes	9.30am
		Happy Friend's Club Table Tennis	12.30pm
		Meditation: A Christian Spiritual Journey	8.00pm
Tuesday	26 Nov	English Language Classes	7.30pm
Wednesday	27 Nov	Women's Bible Study	10.00am
Friday	28 Nov	Chinese Prayer Meeting	10.30am



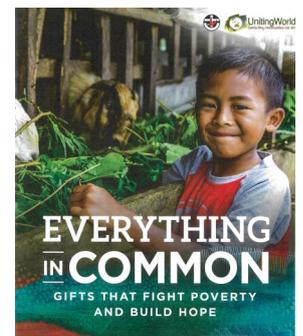
LOOSELY WOVEN—EVENING PRIMROSE. A light-hearted acoustic concert with 19 instrumentalists and singers. 7pm, Friday 6th December at EUC. More information from Robert 9807 6728.

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. Cost: \$60. Contact Tennyson or the church office to register.



UNITING WORLD - Everything in Common stall will be held every Sunday in December, in the church foyer after 9.30am worship. A wonderful opportunity to buy Christmas cards to post to your friends, and gift cards to support life-changing projects of UnitingWorld to help lift people out of poverty.



If you are planning to buy Christmas greeting cards to post, there will be assorted packs of 8 for \$12 a pack. Many colourful gift cards to support various UnitingWorld projects will be there for you to browse and select.

'PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS'

Nicholas F. now home

Navan N. now back home

Pat E. now back home

Shirley W. in hospital

**Uniting's 'Give Hope' 2019 Christmas Voucher appeal has begun !
This is to assist people seeking asylum who are living in Australia.**

With your help again, we can provide a Christmas gift of hope to vulnerable children, young adults and families seeking asylum and living in our communities.



Sadly, thousands of people living and raising families close to home are weeks away from disaster. They face long delays in assessing their refugee claims – while they face increasing cuts to government support such as the Status Resolution Support Service program, meaning they're less able to meet health and other needs while waiting for their immigration status to be clarified.

Vouchers from a retailer of your choice provide a direct lifeline to those in need - whilst taking the lead in building a supportive and welcoming space within our communities. Each voucher gift is a reminder to someone that we care about their wellbeing and safety.

There are 3 ways to send the vouchers.

1. Give voucher or money for voucher to Marion Gledhill (0423355759), or to the church office.
2. Purchase your own voucher and post to
PO Box 7137
Silverwater NSW 2128
(Ph: 9407 3230)
3. Purchase gift E-voucher/s on line, and send to:
socialjustice@uniting.org

Feel free to include a Christmas message that will be passed onto the family or person seeking asylum.

How will our vouchers help?

Uniting 'Give Hope' partners with support agencies, including the Jesuit Refugee Service, House of Welcome and the Asylum Seekers Centre. These agencies are providing an increasing level of emergency relief in a crisis of homelessness and hunger. They distribute your vouchers as a form of wrap around support to people seeking asylum during critical moments of their journey.

What type of vouchers are needed?

The following Giving Guide helps you understand what types of support your voucher can provide. No voucher amount is too small, and will go towards any of the support kits below.

\$25 department store voucher= School Starter Kit

\$35 supermarket voucher= Family Food Pack

\$40 eftpos card voucher= Visa Application Lodgement Admin Fee Support

\$45 department store voucher= Crisis Accommodation Bedding Pack

\$50 eftpos card voucher= One month of Public Transport Opal Top Up Support

\$70 department store voucher= Kitchen Starter Kit

\$100 pharmacy voucher= Medication Support (essential prescriptions for 1 week-1 month)

\$200 Lowes voucher= School Uniform kit

\$250- \$1000 supermarket voucher= Foodbank supply serving over 300 people for a week

\$500 eftpos voucher- One week of family rent assistance/ basic living needs support

Up to \$1000 from the Bower Reuse and Repair Store or a department store= House to Home new starter package.

FESTIVAL of SAINT CECILIA Sat/Sun Nov 23/24 - St. Kevins Church, Hillview Road Eastwood. Continuous (free) Sunday concert in the Church from 1.30 to 5.30pm. Special feature - Handel Chandos Anthem 9 for choir and orchestra. More details - «www.kevinwood.org»

NEIGHBOURHOOD NIGHT at Epping UC, cnr Oxford and Chester Streets, Epping on Friday 6th December, 7.30 pm - 9 pm. Come and hear about GLOBAL SISTERS whose works enable women to be financially independent & stand tall. Providing a genuine alternative for women by removing the barriers they commonly face, & make self-employment a viable option. This is a free event open to all the community and includes supper. For more information call 0412 687 105

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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:

Nov 24 Christ the King Jer 23:1-6, Lk 1:68-79, Lk 23:33-43, Col 1:11-20

Dec 1. Advent 1 Is 2:1-5, Ps 122, Rom 13:11-14, Mt 24:36-44

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

Banking Details for Direct Giving: BSB: 634 634

Account #: 100020668