



EASTWOOD UNITING CHURCH

14 - 16 Lakeside Road, Eastwood

23rd February 2020

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

23rd February	8.00am Worship	Phil Looby
	9.30am Worship	Rev. Jan Reeve
	Exodus 24:12-18 and Matthew 17:1-9	
	<i>'Mysterious light: listen to God's transforming Son'</i>	
	神秘的光：聽上帝改變形象的兒子	
	신비한 불빛 : 하나님의 변화된 아들에게 들으라	
	2.00pm Chinese Service	Rev. David Wong
1st March	8.00am Worship	Catherine Leal
	9.30am Worship	Catherine/Jan Reeve
	'Something Different'	
	Matthew 4:1-11	
	<i>'Making our retreat in Lent'</i>	
	10.45am Holy Communion	Rev. Jan Reeve
	Psalms 32 and Matthew 4:1-11	
	<i>'Using our freedom wisely: choosing God's ways'</i>	
	2.00pm Chinese Service	Tennyson Chan

欢迎所有第一次来参加崇拜的朋友们。

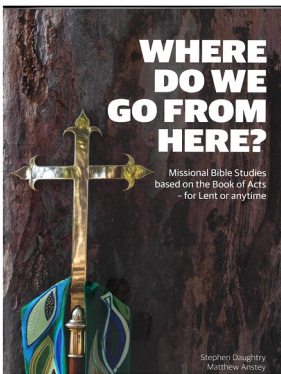
希望你们在和我们一起崇拜的时候感受到上帝的存在。

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.

Rev Jan Reeve will be providing supply ministry during February, while Nicholas is on sick leave.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING today after the 9.30am service. Please collect a copy of the Annual Report from the table in the foyer or download from EUC website.



LENTEN STUDIES BEGIN THIS WEEK. We will be using a study book called 'Where do we go from here?' by Stephen Daughtry & Matthew Anstey. The book follows a theme, has continuity, selected bible passages from Acts, commentary and questions. Books are available from Trevor Bird on Sunday or from the Church office during the week. Cost \$10. Studies commence this week at EUC in the creche on Tuesday mornings at 10am and Thursday evenings at 8pm and will run for 6 weeks. It's not too late to join a study, so please let Trevor know if you would like to join a group or just come along.

BILPIN and MT TOMAH BOTANIC GARDENS DAY TRIP Tennyson is organising another outing on **14th April**. The bus will leave from Eastwood Library at 9am and return at approximately 3.30pm. Cost: \$50. Early bird special \$40 (book before 17 March). Contact Tennyson for more information. This is a great opportunity to support those in areas recently affected by the fires.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Margaret Cochrane
Alston Mahadevan
Hans Duursma

Wednesday
Wednesday
Friday

26th February
26th February
28th February

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday	24 Feb	English Classes	9.30am
Tuesday	25 Feb	Lenten Study	10.00am
		English Classes	7.30pm
Wednesday	26 Feb	Women's Bible Study	10.00am
Thursday	27 Feb	Lenten Study	8.00pm
Friday	6 Mar	World Day of Prayer	10.00am

SRE (Scripture) has commenced at Eastwood and Denistone East Public Schools. Thank you to Maria Allerdice and Julie Worsley for volunteering. Pray, that as they prepare and deliver their lesson each week, they will connect and develop relationships with the students and through them the children will know of God's love for them.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. It's motto is "Informed Prayer and Prayerful



Action," and it's celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. The movement aims to bring together people of various races, cultures and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, and to closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year. This year focuses on Zimbabwe. Eastwood Uniting Church will host the service at **10am on Friday 6 March.**

If you are able to help with cooking slices, biscuits etc for the morning tea following the service, please let Peggy Looby or Elaine Luckie know.

CHURCH PLANTING BISHOP—RIC THORPE will be discussing growing new churches and revitalising existing communities of faith on **Monday 9th March 5.30pm – 9pm** at St Stephens Uniting Church 197 Macquarie Street Sydney. Tickets \$20 are now available. More information from: growth@sccpresbytery.org.au.

'PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS'

Nicholas F.

Shirley W.

Pat E.

Sue H.

30th January 2020 Church Council Meeting Update

- Church Council welcomed and thanked Rev. Jan Reeve for her work and support to EUC during Nicholas's absence.
- **Ministry of Rev. Nicholas Fried:** Letter received in January from Nicholas advising of his intention to retire in November 2020, which will be the conclusion of his 10 years Ministry at EUC. Church Council to advise the Presbytery and Synod and the matter will be discussed with the Congregation at the meeting on 23rd February.
- **Mission Plan:** Vision Umbrella Group was requested to: (i) initiate a review of the current Mission Plan and prepare an updated Draft Mission Plan for consideration by Church Council and the Congregation; (ii) undertake research and consultation to obtain material to inform the Mission Plan update and; (iii) establish a reference group to assist the Vision Umbrella Group with this task.
- **Chinese resource worker:** 2020 weekly activities delayed start due to community concerns with coronavirus. Thanks to Marion Gledhill for supervising Tennyson in Nicholas's absence.
- **Continuing Education Umbrella Group:** Meeting 5th February to plan 2020 education activities, including lent bible studies. Check weekly newsletter for advice.
- **BBQ outreach:** New Helpers needed in order to continue this activity after 2020.
- **Sydney Central Coast Presbytery:** Meeting on 19th February 2020. Assistance with catering required from Congregation. (Go to the Presbytery website <https://www.sccpresbytery.org.au> for information on what is happening in the Presbytery)
- **Property:** Graham Horrocks has agreed to remain as property convenor but not be a member of Church Council. Denistone East site works (for water and sewer supply) completed. Subdivision certificate lodged with Ryde Council. DE church and hall site sold for \$2.7M, with a six month settlement in June 2020.

- **Finance:** Audit Report received for the 2018/2019 financial statements. Collections/donations are 15% lower than last year. A large deficit is predicted for 2019/2020. Increased revenue is required to maintain existing programmes. Volunteer still required to keep records of staff leave.

- **Partnership with Gilgandra:** \$1,500 in donations from Congregation in December were sent to Gilgandra UC as \$50 vouchers for distribution by the church to be spent in local businesses.

- Eastwood Uniting Church Musical Society fundraiser for bushfires held in Jan/Feb.

If you have any comments/questions or issues you wish Church Council to address, please contact any member of the Council: Emma Jarvis (Chair), Michelle Weatherburn (Secretary), Janelle Dodd (Treasurer), Lesley Bradbury (Caring), John Brunton (Vision), Chris Wakefield (Congregation rep), Jason Masters (Congregation Rep), Linda Brunton (Congregation Chair).

Linda Brunton, Congregation Chair.

POSITIONS VACANT

SCCP Business Officer, who will plan and implement strategic finance and property activities at presbytery, zone and congregational levels.

Enquiries: max.blacker@sccpresbytery.org.au

ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT at North Ryde Community Church. 15 hours per week. Contact: minister@nrcc.unitingchurch.org.au.

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED. Ethan attends Jesmond Park Uniting in Newcastle. This year he will be studying at Macquarie University and needs accommodation for Mon, Tues and Wed nights. If you have a spare room and could help, please call Ethan on 0412 527 235. His Pastoral Care leader is happy to provide a reference.

ORDINATION OF DUNCAN MCDIARMID Sunday 8th March 2:30pm at The Forest Kirk 522 Warringah Rd, Frenchs Forest. All welcome.

We are all ministers in Christ's name

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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:

Feb 23 Transfiguration Ex 24:12-18, Ps 2 or 99, 2 Pt 1:16-21, Mt 17:1-9
 Mar 1 Lent 1 Gen 2:15-17, 3:1-7, Ps 32, Rom 5:12-19, Mt 4:1-11

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