



EASTWOOD UNITING CHURCH

14 - 16 Lakeside Road, Eastwood

23rd May 2021

**WELCOME TO ALL WHO ARE WITH US FOR THE FIRST TIME.
MAY YOU EXPERIENCE GOD'S PRESENCE AS WE FIND DIFFERENT WAYS
TO WORSHIP AND BE COMMUNITY**

23rd May	8.00am Worship Pentecost	Janine Joannou
	9.30am Worship Pentecost Acts 2:1-13 Message: Tennyson Chan <i>'Birthday of the church'</i>	Amelia Koh-Butler
	2.00pm Chinese Service	Tennyson Chan
30th May	8.00am Worship Trinity Sunday	John Brunton
	9.30am Worship Isaiah 6:1-8 and John 3:1-17 Message: Ji Zhang <i>'God so loved the world'</i> 神口世人	Amelia Koh-Butler
	2.00pm Chinese Service	Ji Zhang



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 to have you with us today, to share in this worship service led by Rev Dr Amelia Koh-Butler and Rev Tennyson Chan. We hope that you enjoy the time of worship, and feel welcomed and included even as we work within the new COVID-19 guidelines.

WORSHIP RESOURCES are emailed on Fridays to those with email. Printed copies will be delivered to those without internet access.

To join the service any Sunday via Zoom please use the link below.

<https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/5450786355> Meeting ID: 545 078 6355

The Assembly website has a list of livestreaming and online worship services. <https://assembly.uca.org.au/resources/ministry-during-covid-19>.

Updates on services and news are also available on the Presbytery website: <https://sydneycentralcoastpresbytery.uca.org.au>

Synod has stipulated that **every group** that either meets in the name of Eastwood Uniting Church (including Bible studies in a home) or uses the Church premises for any activity, **must provide Church Council with a safety plan** that complies with regulations and guidelines set out by both the NSW Government and the NSW/ACT Synod. Chris Wakefield kindly agreed to be our contact person with Synod on behalf of Church Council.

MASKS are no longer mandatory in services, but encouraged where 1.5metre distancing is difficult or for those caring for vulnerable people. Congregational singing is permitted again without masks.

PASTORAL CARE Please continue to keep connected with each other by phone, email and text. Carers meeting 2pm Tuesday 25 May at 2pm

‘PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS’

Sue H

Merrill B

Jason M

Margaret S

Liz M’s mother Katy

Bronwyn T

THIS WEEK'S DIARY DATES

Monday	24 May	English Language Classes	9.30am
Tuesday	25 May	Carers Meeting	2.00pm
		English language Classes	7.30pm
Wednesday	26 May	Women's Bible Study	10.00am
		Presbytery Meeting Turramurra UC	7.00pm



Sunday 30th May Ji Zhang will be guest preacher at both the 9.30am and 2pm services. There will be a sit down morning tea after the morning service with a conversation with Ji on 'vision for multicultural church'.

The following Sunday, June 6th there will be morning tea and a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** after the 9.30am worship service.

The Church Council Annual Report for 2020 is available on the church website under 'other resources' and printed copies will be available for anyone requiring them.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS We welcome Nilu Thambimuttu to the office team. The office will be now open Tuesday to Friday 9am—2.30pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY As part of our covenant commitments with Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress, we speak an Acknowledgement in every act of public worship and at the beginning of meetings. Our local Aboriginal language is Darug and so we say Cooee, Warami Mittigar, meaning Come—you are welcome here! The traditional owners of this land were the Wallematagal people. We acknowledge them and pay our respects to leaders and elders, past and present and pray for those who will follow in their paths.

2PM CHINESE SERVICE every Sunday. Please contact Tennyson 0411896274 for further information and the link to WeChat activities.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Geoffrey Gee
Kate Prowse

Thursday
Thursday

27th May
27th May

NAME BADGES Please wear a name badge to assist in building community.

WITH LOVE TO THE WORLD issue for the period May 17—August 15, covering is now available. Cost \$6.

INDUCTION of Rev Jean Bell at North Ryde Community Church:
Sunday 13th June 2021 at 2pm

HEARING AID BATTERIES. There are Connect Hearing +10 batteries for free for anyone who can use them. Contact the church office.

FOOD DONATIONS FOR CCA. CCA are reaching out for donations of canned food, pantry staples and toiletries to restock their store of items for emergency food packages. Baskets are in the foyer for any contributions each Sunday.



GOOD MORNING EASTWOOD—Coffee with the Community

You are invited to have a coffee , meet new friends, get to know Aussie & different cultures, practise conversation in different languages . Could each participant please order & pay for their own drink to help the local small business.



Dates : June 1, 15 and 29, July 13 and 27.

Time : 10.00 - 11.30 am

Venue : Provence Garden Café, 35-43 W Parade, Eastwood

Please call Tennyson 0411896274 for booking in advance

PRAYER

- The gift of the Spirit to dwell amongst us, and in giving thanks for the diversity of languages and cultures that make up the Uniting Church.
- The fellowship and communion of all Christians. As followers of Jesus, may we work together in giving witness to God's love, hope and grace.
- The people of Palestine and Israel and for a just peace to prevail.



India's COVID-19 surge has overloaded its struggling health system and is causing thousands of deaths per day.

Our Uniting Church partners, the Church of North India (CNI), are not immune. Battling to keep people fed as a second lockdown wreaks havoc, and spreading critical health information to help beat the spread of the disease, they're on the frontline of the response in their communities.

"The 'Corona 'Tsunami', if one could say that, has left all of us paralysed," Bishop Khimla of the Diocese of Durgapur told UnitingWorld. "There is immense suffering as the medical and social infrastructure struggles to cope with the pandemic. The Church has also lost many ministers, both Pastors and Bishops."

Project Officer Sanjay Khaling was recently hospitalised after contracting COVID-19, while several staff of the Durgapur Education and Social Empowerment project have contracted COVID-19 along with family and friends.

Despite the dangers, the church continues to serve the community as best they're able. Bishop Samantaroy of the Amritsar Diocese said the church is working on immediate interventions including free distribution of cooked food, dry rations and hygiene products like masks, sanitiser and soap.

Schools have been closed across the area, so girls attending the hostel project in Amritsar have gone home to their villages for at least a month and possibly two. At the Amritsar Social Empowerment and Education project, study centres will continue in each village and the team are doing what they can to support people remotely.

The Eastern Himalayas Education project has had to close the school and move all activities online. Teachers are navigating the difficult task of teaching online while resourcing children who have little or no access to internet or devices.

"UnitingWorld continues to be with us in spirit and prayers and believe that this too shall pass. We very much appreciate your prayers."

UnitingWorld is supporting partners to divert project funds to their COVID-19 responses where needed. Donations will be very gratefully received to support their work. You can donate online.

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.

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:

May 23 Pentecost: Acts 2:1-21 or Ezek 37:1-14, Ps 104:24-34, 35b,
 Rom 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21, Jn 15:26-27 16:4b-15

May 30 Trinity Sunday: Is 6:1-8, Ps 29, Rom 8:12-17, Jn 3:1-17

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