

Name Badges

Please wear your name badge to help newcomers and visitors get to know us more easily. If you require a new or replacement name badge, please speak with one of the stewards so we can organise one for you.

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City Church Activities

- 14 May: Student Farm Visit
- 15 May: Mingles Meeting
- 16 May: Student Bible Study
- 26 May: Film Group
- 17 Jun: UCA 40th Anniversary
Presbytery Event
- 26 Jun: Moderator's Visit

Other Events (check notice board for details)

- 21 & 27 May: Musical Matinee
- 8 Jul: Presbytery Meeting at Yass
Uniting Church

Rosters:

Today - 14 May

READER: Ann Andrews
PRAYERS: Norma Brown
ORGANIST: Hildegard Palafox
FLOWERS: Kathy Trembath
MORNING TEA: K Sukumar, B Griffiths
WELCOME: Grace Birtles

Next Sunday - 21 May

READER: Grace Birtles
PRAYERS: Robyn Triglone
ORGANIST: Hildegard Palafox
FLOWERS: Tongan Congregation
MORNING TEA: A Butler, K Trembath,
B BalaretnaRaja
WELCOME: Richard Scott



We warmly welcome all members, friends and visitors to our service today. If you would like to make this church your home please talk to the Minister or one of the Elders on duty or complete a care card available in the foyer. If you are a student you can contact Dennis Martin on 0404 747 608 or marthome@es.co.nz. Otherwise you can contact Barbara Lowe on 6241 4779 or barbara.lowe@gbl.id.au.

Please join us for morning tea after the service.

Today: Sunday 14 May 2017

10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Elizabeth Raine
2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation
5.30pm City at Night
Readings Acts 7:55-60; Ps 31:1-5, 15-16; 1 Pt 2:2-10; Jn 14:1-14

Next week: Sunday 21 May 2017

10.00am Morning Service led by Dennis Martin
2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation
5.30pm City at Night
Readings Acts 17:22-31; Ps 66:8-20; 1 Pt 3:13-22; Jn 14:15-21

Our Vision And Values

Canberra City Uniting Church is a diverse community of people who, by word and action, seek to share the good news of the love of God seen in Jesus Christ.

We try to be an inclusive community providing a place of nurture and care for people of different cultures, abilities, ages, family structures and sexual orientations.

As a congregation of the Uniting Church in Australia, we aim in our worship to bring people into the presence of God, through ordered, thoughtful and innovative liturgy and scholarly interpretation of the Bible. We foster a strong commitment to social justice and peace, both in Australia and in the rest of the world.

As a city church we endeavour to serve the local community as disciples of Christ. We aspire to live as responsible stewards of the earth and its resources, which we understand to be part of God's creation.

This week's reflection is on our website under Minister's Desk



The Case For Christ

Based on Lee Strobel's award-winning bestselling book and starring Mike Vogel, Erika Christensen, Faye Dunaway, and Robert Forster, *The Case For Christ* opened in cinemas on **May 4** - A movie for anyone who has ever pondered the existence of God ... and what role He could play in their lives. For tickets contact movies@crossroad.com.au.

Farm Visit

Students, please note that Terry and Grace Birtles have kindly offered to host us to a farm visit **TODAY Sunday, 14 May**. We will leave from church around 11:30am following the morning service. Your last excursion before FULL TIME study!!!!

Mingles (married and singles) Fellowship Meeting

Monday, 15 May in the Riley Hall commencing 7.00pm

At our May meeting the Mingles fellowship will welcome Franki Sparke, daughter of Margaret Sparke, as our guest speaker. Franki is an established visual artist with over 35 year's experience in Canberra. She will be talking about aspects of her art practice. For catering purposes, please let Dora Chapman know if you are able to attend. The meeting will commence with dinner, as usual (cost \$10 if not bringing food). All welcome.

Student Bible Study

All students: Please note that the last Bible Study will be held in the Rabbit Room at Toad Hall. Shifting our venue on to the ANU campus will make the study much more accessible and easier for students to invite along friends. The date is **Tuesday 16 May**. At the usual time of 5:30pm, with light refreshments available. The study will conclude with Holy Communion. Details of the study have been circulated to all CSU members. This study will conclude our semester one programme as exam weeks follow!! We wish our students well as their studies approach a critical time.

Mail Collection

Tongan Congregation | David Webster



Strategic Indigenous Awareness Training

"*To Understand Our Present, We Must Understand Our Past*" will be held on **Monday, 29 May 2017** and **Wednesday, 31 May 2017** at 9.30am-4.30pm in the Mabo Room, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, 51 Lawson Crescent, Acton ACT 2601. The program provides participants with an opportunity to walk briefly in the shoes of Aboriginal Australians. It provides a generic overview of Aboriginal culture and history and aims to develop a greater appreciation and understanding of modern-day cross cultural problems, issues and challenges that impact upon individuals working in organisations/companies across Australia. Cost is \$300 with food provided. For more information, please talk to Elizabeth Raine.

All Of This Is Us - UCA's 40th Birthday

Canberra Region Presbytery is celebrating the Uniting Church's 40th birthday on **Saturday, 17 June** at Canberra City Uniting Church, 69 Northbourne Avenue 12.30pm for a 1.00pm start, finishing 4.30pm. All are invited. Special guest, Colleen Geyer, Assembly General Secretary, followed by group discussion around the future – reimagining congregations and more. Enquiries: Geoff Wellington at geoff@cruc.org.au or 0400 831 445.

Joint Nominating Committee Update

The JNC has begun initial discussions with the five ministers who have expressed a willingness to consider our two placements. Please pray for wisdom and discernment for the JNC and for the ministers as the JNC continues these discussions over the next weeks. Please note that the work of the JNC needs to be confidential until final recommendations to the three congregations are reached.

Books For Early Morning Centre

We are trying to build up a small library for guests at the Early Morning Centre. If you have any books you think might be suitable (adventure, crime etc) please give them to Anne Butler, Margaret Watt or Graeme Lowe.