

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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Diary Dates:**City Church Activities**

- 21 Aug: Mingles
- 25 Aug: Film Group
- 27 Aug: West Papuan Fundraiser
- 9 Sep: St John ACT Seminar
- 21 Oct: Safe Church Awareness Workshop

Other Events (check notice board for details)

- 29 Sep-3 Oct: Synod 2017
- 15-21 Oct: Anti Poverty Week
- 27-28 Oct: Weston Creek Craft Show

Rosters:**Today - 20 August**

READER: Bob Townsend
PRAYERS: Marion Cook
ORGANIST: Ian Kummerow
FLOWERS: Tongan Congregation
MORNING TEA: A Butler, K Trembath, B Griffiths
WELCOME: Terry Birtles

Next Sunday - 27 August

READER: Margaret Martin
PRAYERS: John Brown
ORGANIST: David Franks
FLOWERS: Ben Bairstow
MORNING TEA: A&J Andrews
WELCOME: Kumar Sukumar



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@gbf.id.au.

Please join us for morning tea after the service.

Today: Sunday 20 August 2017

- 10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Betty Stroud
- 2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation
- 5.30pm City at Night
- Readings Gn 45:1-15; Ps 133; Rom 11:1-2a, 29-32; Mt 15:(10-20),21-28

Next week: Sunday 27 August 2017

- 10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Kerry Bartlett
- 2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation
- 5.30pm City at Night
- Readings Ex 1:8-2:10; Ps 124; Rom 12:1-8; Mt 16:13-20

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.

Notice Of Congregation Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Canberra City congregation **today** after morning worship. The meeting will consider follow up on the size of Church Council. Members are encouraged to attend.

Mingles

Mingles will meet tomorrow, **Monday, 21 August** at 7.00pm in the Riley Hall. After the usual dinner, the speaker will be Betty Stroud speaking about her recent adventures walking in the Andes and visiting Machu Picchu. Please let Dora Chapman know in advance if you intend to come as this ensures adequate catering.

Choir Practice

Choir practice will be held on **Thursday, 24 August** from 6.15pm to 7.00pm to learn songs in preparation for Seasons of Creation. For more information contact Betty Stroud.

Film Group

This month we will meet on **Friday, 25 August** at 10.00am at the home of Ben and Dorothy Birstow. We will be watching *Out Of Africa*, based on the true life experiences of Karen Blixen in Kenya. Please arrive for a prompt start as this is a long film. BYO lunch and please let Ben or Dorothy know in advance if you wish to attend.

West Papuan Fund-Raiser

Our West Papuan friends in Canberra invite all of us at City Church to a fund-raising evening called *Kita Menudukung Papua – Let's Support Papua*. It will assist West Papuan veteran and executive member of the United Liberation Movement for West Papua, Rex Rumakiek, attend the forthcoming Pacific Islands Forum in Samoa and the United Nations General Assembly in New York. The event will be held in the Riley Hall from 6.00pm on **Sunday, 27 August**. There will be music, food and items for sale. Door prices \$20 for students and \$25 standard rates. Enquiries to Ronny Kareni on 0401 222 177 or ronnykareni@gamil.com, or to Jenny Rowland.

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Tongan Congregation

St John ACT

St John, Saving Lives Through First Aid, is presenting *Project Resilience* on **Saturday, 9 September** from 10.00am to 12.00noon at Canberra City Uniting Church. The Safe Church Committee has organised this event so if you wish to attend please let Dora Chapman know on 6262 2556 or 0402 242 713 or chapman31@gmail.com.

Sunday Morning Exploring Relevant Faith (SMERF)

SMERF is a Small Group which will meet fortnightly on Sunday mornings from 8.30 to 9.45am. The first meeting will be on **Sunday, 24 September** in the Gifford Room, City Church. Warm welcome for anyone who would like to join us. For more information talk to Norma or John Brown, Robyn Triglone or Narelle Sellar.

Safe Church Awareness Workshop

When: Saturday, **21 October 2017** - 9.15am for 9.30am - 3.30pm.
Refresher only (3 year update) - 9.15am for 9.30-1pm | **Venue:** Canberra City Uniting Church | **Cost:** \$25 pp (\$20 refresher). Morning tea provided. Please bring your own lunch. If you would like to register for this workshop, please contact Bob Griffiths on 6294 1675, 0451 679 525 or bob.griffiths7@bigpond.com. Flyer is on the notice board.

New Small Group

A Small Group is planned for Tuesday mornings at 10.00am every fortnight at the home of Barbara and Graeme Lowe in Kaleen. If you are interested in joining the group please let Barbara or Graeme know. Other home groups that meet for discussion, prayer, study and support are held fortnightly at the homes of Carolyn and Elmer Kiss (Wednesday at 7pm) and Richard & Rinda Scott (Tuesday at 7pm). For further information please contact Carolyn (6251 3127) and Rinda (6241 1946).

An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth To Power

A decade after *An Inconvenient Truth* brought climate change into the heart of popular culture comes the riveting and rousing follow-up that shows just how close we are to a real energy revolution. Vice President Al Gore continues his tireless fight, travelling around the world training an army of climate champions and influencing international climate policy. This documentary is currently playing at cinemas in Canberra - don't miss out on seeing the sequel! Message from the Environment Group.