



### 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

- 18 Sep: Mingles
- 24 Sep: O'Connor UC Visit
- 29 Sep: Film Group
- 15 Oct: Annual Meeting
- 21 Oct: Safe Church Workshop

#### Other Events (check notice board for details)

- 24 Sep: The Great Outback BBQ
- 29 Sep-3 Oct: Synod 2017
- 15-21 Oct: Anti Poverty Week
- 27-28 Oct: Weston Creek Craft Show
- 20 Nov-15 Dec: Christmas Card Shop

### Rosters:

#### Today - 17 September

READER: J Wellington Barchue  
PRAYERS: Grace Birtles  
ORGANIST: Ian Kummerow  
FLOWERS: Tongan Congregation  
MORNING TEA: K Sukumar, B&G Lowe  
WELCOME: Bob Townsend

#### Next Sunday - 24 September

READER: Jenny Rowland  
PRAYERS: Rinda Scott  
ORGANIST: Ian Kummerow  
FLOWERS: Margaret Martin  
MORNING TEA: D Chapman,  
P Kirubairthilaken, R Stewart  
WELCOME: Sitela Naimet



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 17 September 2017

- 10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Betty Stroud
- 2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation
- 5.30pm City at Night
- Readings Joel 1:8-19, 17-20; Psalm 18:1-19; Romans 8:18-27; Matthew 3:13-4:1

#### Next week: Sunday 24 September 2017

- 10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Kerry Bartlett
- 2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation
- 5.30pm City at Night
- Readings Genesis 8:20-22; 9:12-17; Psalm 104:27-33; Revelation 22:1-5; Matthew 28:1-10

### 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.

**Mingles**

We will meet next on **Monday, 18 September** at 7.00pm as usual in the Riley Hall for a dinner. Our speaker for the evening will be one of the members of our congregation, Jack Fenner on the topic "Snapshots of Australian Archaeology". This will cover some of the archaeological evidence for the arrival of the first people in Australia, and then a few later time periods of particular interest. If you intend to come please contact Barbara Lowe in advance so that adequate catering arrangements can be made.

**"The Story Of Christians In Palestine – The Stones Cry Out"**

7.00pm **Wednesday, 20 September** at St Margaret's Uniting and Holy Cross Anglican Churches, 165 Phillip Ave, Hackett. One-hour film about Christians in Palestine from 1948 until today. Sponsored by the Palestine Israel Ecumenical Network, as part of the World Council of Churches' World Week for Peace in Palestine Israel.

**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.

**O'Connor Uniting Church Visiting**

Members of O'Connor Uniting Church will be joining with us for next Sunday's morning service, **24 September**. Please make them welcome and **bring some morning tea to share**.

**Reminder - Church Council, Elders and Congregation Executive Elections**

Nominations for Elders, Church Councillors and Congregation Executive positions close on **Sunday, 24 September 2017**. Nomination forms are available in the narthex.

**The Great Outback BBQ**

"The Great Outback BBQ" in aid of Frontier Services at Yarralumla Uniting Church at 12 noon on **Sunday, 24 September**. Donation \$5 includes salad and dessert. RSVP to [IanLynchRules@gmail.com](mailto:IanLynchRules@gmail.com).

**Film Group**

This month our group will meet at the home of Margaret Hocking in Turner on **Friday, 29 September** at 10.00am. BYO lunch. Our film will be another vintage one, *The Inn of the Sixth Happiness*. It is based on the life of Gladys Aylward, a humble person who was inspired to undertake missionary work and despite many obstacles achieved her ambition of working with orphans in China. When war broke out in the region where she was she led a large group of orphans to safety through the mountains. Ingrid Bergman is the unlikely choice to play Gladys.

**St Francis Sunday**

**Sunday, 1 October** is St Francis Sunday in which we will give thanks for our fellow creatures. You are invited to bring photos of your pets, past and present, preferably in a stand up frame.

**Annual Meeting - Sunday, 15 October 2017**

The main business of the meeting will be the Annual Report and elections for Elders, Church Councillors and Congregation Executive. Please send any other agenda items to Kathy Trembath at [ktrem2@live.com.au](mailto:ktrem2@live.com.au)

**Reminder: Safe Church Awareness Workshop**

Who needs to attend? Church leaders, including Councillors/Elders, pastoral carers, Ministry program leaders and helpers. Attendance from other members also encouraged.

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 wish to register for this workshop, contact Bob Griffiths on 6294 1675, 0451 679 525 or [bob.griffiths7@bigpond.com](mailto:bob.griffiths7@bigpond.com). Flyer is on the notice board.

**UnitingWorld Appeal On Disaster Risk Reduction**

Stop disasters from becoming tragedies. Disasters such as cyclones, earthquakes and floods are an increasing threat to our Pacific neighbours. Investing in disaster preparation saves lives. To donate call UnitingWorld on 1800 988 122 or visit the website: [www.unitingworld.org.au](http://www.unitingworld.org.au)