



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:

Church

1 Mar: Friendship Group
5 Mar: WIT Meeting
19 Mar: Mingles

Other Events (check notice board for details)

1 Mar: Dr Munjed Al Muderis lecture
2 Mar: World Day of Prayer

Rosters:

Today - 25 February

READER: Rinda Scott
PRAYERS: Robyn Triglone
ORGANIST: David Franks
FLOWERS: Margaret Martin
WELCOME: Bala BalaretnaRaja
MORNING TEA: P Verebalavu, S Yaluyalu

Next Sunday - 4 March

READER: Bob Griffiths
PRAYERS: Terry Birtles
ORGANIST: Lorraine Macknight
FLOWERS: Tongan Congregation
WELCOME: Olivia Neethyrajah
MORNING TEA: Tongan Congregation
COMMUNION PREPARATION : Kumar Subramaniam, Malini Neethyrajah.



THE UNITING CHURCH
IN AUSTRALIA



City's Connections

25 February 2018

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 25 February 2018

10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Paul Chalson
2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation
5.15pm City at Night
Readings Gn 17:1-7, 15-16; Ps 22:23-31; Rom 4:13-25; Mk 8:31-38

Next week: Sunday 4 March 2018

10.00am Combined Communion Service led by Rev Paul Chalson
2.00pm No service
5.15pm City at Night
Readings Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19; 1 Cor 1:18-25; Jn 2:13-22

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.

Friendship Group

If you enjoy meeting with old friends and making new ones the Friendship Group is meeting for lunch at the Ainslie Football Club on **Thursday, 1 March** at 12 noon. Any questions or if you need a lift ring Anne Nicholls.

Refugees Make Australia Better

You may have seen Dr Munjed Al Muderis on ABC TV's *Foreign Correspondent* program recently. Dr Al Muderis fled Iraq in fear of his life but after arriving in Australia by boat was locked up in detention. Fortunately he arrived before July 2013 or he would still be trapped on Manus Island. He is now a leading orthopaedic surgeon living in Sydney but spends much of his time providing urgent medical care in war-torn countries. He will be speaking in Canberra on **Thursday, 1 March at 6.30pm at the Copland Lecture Theatre, ANU**. Admission is free. All welcome. Contact: Carolyn Kiss 6251-3127.

World Day Of Prayer Service

This will be held at St Christopher's Cathedral, Manuka, at 11.00am on **Friday, 2 March**. The preacher will be Rev David Campbell, of the Presbyterian Church of St Andrew's. The service was written by a committee from Surinam and the theme is 'All God's Creatures are very good'. A light lunch will be served after the service, for which a small charge is made. All welcome.

Missing - Children's Activity Box - Help!

The large *Children's Activity Box* containing about six clipboards and numerous coloured pencils as well as supplementary activity sheets has not been available in the narthex for about three weeks. It was particularly missed last week when we had some extra Tongan children visiting with the Band. If you can help me track it down, please call 6251 3127 or email eckiss@bigpond.com, or just return it ASAP. Many thanks, Carolyn Kiss

We Welcome Your Participation

At CCUC there are lots of ways to participate. Details on the notice board.

Postlude by David Franks

Voluntary II Joseph Gibbs (1698 – 1788)

Lent Event

Lent Event is an activity held in support of UnitingWorld, the overseas mission partnering and aid and development agency of the Uniting Church. Through Lent Event participants are able to learn more of the activities of Uniting World and our overseas partners with whom we work as well as offer both financial and prayerful support to the work of UnitingWorld. Brochures and stickers which will explain more of Lent Event and how you can be involved are available in the brochure stand in the Steele Craik Lounge. For those with internet access you can learn more, access videos and other resources and download a bible study/prayer resource at <https://www.lentevent.com/>.

Assistance To Tonga After Cyclone Gita

Following the widespread devastation caused by Cyclone Gita in Tonga on Monday 12 February, please pray for those affected. The best way we can assist in terms of donations would be through the international aid and partnerships agency of the Uniting Church in Australia, namely UnitingWorld which has launched an appeal. You may donate online via the website <https://www.unitingworld.org.au/cyclone-gita-appeal/> or give clearly labelled donations at Siasi Siviki (City Church).

Giving Direct

Do you want to give regularly but can't be in church every Sunday because of family, health, work, sport or travel? Do you find the offering envelope system time consuming but still want to give regularly? Would you like your giving to coincide with when you receive or spend your income: weekly, fortnightly, monthly?

Here's how it works - it's easy.

You choose how much to give and when you want the money transferred. This can be as often or as seldom as you like. You fill out a form and provide your account details straight to the Uniting Financial Services. You can sign up for Giving Direct - or quit! - any time you choose. Your contribution is totally anonymous.

Simply ask the Treasurer, Graeme Lowe, or the church office for a copy of the Giving Direct Form, fill it in and post it to the Uniting Financial Services.

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Margaret Watt | Tongan Congregation