



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

16 Mar: Coffee Club

19 Mar: Mingles

23 Mar: Film Group

30 Mar: Passion event

8 Apr: Jazz In The Garden

Other Events (check notice board for details)

24 Mar: Apple Day at Loriendale Orchard

7 Apr: Presbytery Gathering

15 Apr: Reid Uniting Church Heritage

Tour & Afternoon Tea

Rosters:

Today - 11 March

READER: Yixin Gong

PRAYERS: Dennis Martin

ORGANIST: Hildegard Palafox

FLOWERS: Carolyn Kiss

WELCOME: Rinda Scott

MORNING TEA: A&J Andrews

Next Sunday - 18 March

READER: Bob Townsend

PRAYERS: Rinda Scott

ORGANIST: Ian Kummerow

FLOWERS: Tongan Congregation

WELCOME: Willem Ayamiseba

MORNING TEA: K Sukumar, L Aitchison



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 11 March 2018

10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Paul Chalson

2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation

5.15pm City at Night

Readings Nm 21:4-9; Ps 107:1-3, 17-22; Eph 2:1-10; Jn 3:14-21

Next week: Sunday 18 March 2018

10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Paul Chalson

2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation

5.15pm City at Night

Readings Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:1-12 or Ps 119:9-16; Heb 5:5-10; Jn 12:20-33

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.

City Church Coffee Club

The next outing of the Coffee Club will be to the National Arboretum on **Friday, 16 March 2018**. We will meet at the Café in the Village Centre at 10.30am. If you plan to attend or require transport please contact Barbara Lowe, phone 6241 4779 or email barbara.lowe@gbf.id.au

Mingles

Our March meeting will be on **Monday, 19 March** at 7.00pm in the Riley Hall, starting with a dinner together. We can then look forward to a talk about Palestine from two speakers. The first is one of our own members, Ros Harper, who used to work in the Palestinian Territories (The West Bank and Gaza) with the Middle East Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches. Our second guest speaker will be a Ph D student at the ANU, Ahmed Al Abadha. Please let Dora Chapman know in advance if you intend to come to the dinner as this assists in ensuring adequate catering. If you would like to hear the talk but not attend the dinner, come along at 8.15pm.

Small Group Meeting Again

The small group that meets on alternate Wednesdays at Marion Cook's home (6 Dirrawan Gardens, Reid) has started its 2018 program with a short set of Lenten studies. Its next meeting will be on **Wednesday, 21 March** at 10.00am as usual. New members will be very welcome.

Film Group

We will continue our Shakespeare season on **Friday, 23 March** at 10.00am, meeting at the Bairstows' home, 15 Alexandria Street, Hawker. We will see a very lively production of *The Taming of the Shrew*, starring Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton. B.Y.O. lunch – let Ben know in advance if you wish to join the group that day.

Apple Day At Loriendale Orchard (Project supported through the work of North Belconnen Uniting Church)

Saturday, 24 March, 1.30-5.00pm. Discover the wide range of organic apples, pears, quinces and vegetables along with the taste of country style apple pies, freshly crushed apple juice, French crepes and an organic meat BBQ. Relax with live music, Devonshire tea and coffee. Event is free to enter but a gold coin/note donation is welcome to support the *Green Pastures Hospital in Nepal*. Loriendale Orchard is just past Hall village.

Passion

On **Friday, 30 March** at 7.30pm come and see the *Passion* at City Church. It is a reflection on Holy Week through the music of Bach, Handel, Pergolesi, Rutter and others. Tickets \$20, sold at the door. It is in support of the UnitingWorld appeal to assist recovery programs in Tonga following Cyclone Gita.

Presbytery Gathering

The *41st Annual Canberra Region Presbytery Adult Fellowship Gathering* will be held on **Saturday, 7 April** at Braidwood Uniting Church commencing 9.30am for morning tea (The program for the day will conclude by mid afternoon.) The guest speaker will be Rev Noreen Towers the theme being "This is My Story". Nobody can tell your story better than you. This is a gathering for members of all fellowship groups, men and women, in the region, and it is a good opportunity to catch up with old friends and have a day out in the country. Morning and afternoon tea is provided. As is the custom, please bring your own lunch. For further information contact Bronwyn Guy 0248 213 973.

Jazz In The Garden

The Early Morning Centre (EMC) fundraiser - Jazz in the Garden - will be held on **Sunday, 8 April** 2.00-4.00pm. Once again, the EMC will have its Jazz Band providing music in a beautiful autumn garden, with a scrumptious afternoon tea provided as well. Venue 10 Currong Street, Reid; cost \$20, children negotiable! Please come and support the EMC. Offers of cakes, sandwiches etc also welcome. For more information contact Anne Buttsworth or Margaret Watt.

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/>.