



### 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:

30 Apr: Uniting Amala Gordon opening (Amala in Gordon)  
1 May: Funeral Service for Warren Hine  
3 May: Friendship Group  
3 May: Reflecting on Prayer  
18 May: Coffee Club  
21 May: Mingles Fellowship  
25 May: Film Group

### Rosters:

#### Today - 29 April

Reader: Dennis Martin  
Prayers: John Brown  
Organist: Ross Bowden  
Flowers: Esther Kwon  
Welcome: Richard Scott  
Morning Tea: Vacant

#### Next Sunday - 6 May

READER: Student  
PRAYERS: Stella Naimet  
ORGANIST: Lorraine Macknight  
FLOWERS: Tongan Congregation  
WELCOME: Barbara Lowe  
MORNING TEA: Toe Talatalanoa



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 29 April 2018

10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Paul Chalson  
2.00pm Toe Talatalanoa Congregation  
5.15pm City at Night  
Readings: Acts 8:26-40, Ps 22:25-31, 1 Jn 4:7-21, Jn 15:1-8

### Next week: Sunday 6 May 2018

10.00am Morning Service led by Rev Paul Chalson  
5.15pm City at Night  
Readings: Acts 10:44-48, Ps 98, 1 Jn 5:1-6, Jn 15:9-17

### 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.

**Welcome**

This morning our guest preacher is Peter Worland. Peter is the Executive Director of Uniting NSW/ACT and a lay preacher within the Uniting Church. We welcome Peter as he comes to be part of our service this morning.

**In Sympathy**

Our thoughts and prayers are with Betty and Paul Chalson as they reflect on the life of Betty's mother Jessie who died on 19 April 2018. Betty and Paul are returning to Canberra today following the funeral service in Newcastle on Friday 27 April.

**Funeral Service - Tuesday 1 May 2018**

A funeral service for Warren Hine will be held at Canberra City Uniting Church on Tuesday 1 May commencing at 10.30am followed by an interment at Norwood Park starting at 12.00noon. Refreshments will be provided in the Riley Hall following the service. If you are able, please bring a plate of food to share.

**Reflecting on Prayer:**

Prayer can be a difficult part of our Christian life. What to pray for? What answers can we expect? Disappointment and questioning when prayer seems to go unanswered.

We are grateful to our Ministers Paul Chalson, Miriam Parker-Lacey, Norma and John Brown for agreeing to take part in a panel discussion called "Reflecting on Prayer". This will be on **Thursday 3 May** in the **Riley Hall** at **7:30pm to 9.00pm** followed by supper.

There will be the opportunity to ask questions, you can table a question in writing prior to the meeting – hand to Dennis Martin who will be acting as MC.

The Elders and Pastoral Care Committee believe that this evening will have a wide appeal and trust it will be well supported by our congregation.

**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, 3 May at 12 noon. Any questions or if you need a lift ring Anne Nicholls.

**Uniting Amala Gordon Opening**

You're invited to help celebrate the opening of the all-new Uniting Amala Gordon. A contemporary village that features an aged care home, independent living villas, community centre and Uniting Seniors Gym - showcasing the latest thinking in aged care. **Monday, 30 April** 11.30am to 1.00pm at Uniting Amala Gordon Community Centre, 200 Woodcock Drive, Gordon. RSVP 1800 864 846 or ask@uniting.org.

**Olive Picking**

Ian Kummerow advises that the handpicking, harvesting of olives on his Gundaroo property will commence on the weekend of 20th May. Any assistance from able-bodied volunteers will be much appreciated. Lunch will be provided for volunteers on the weekend. Please let him know if you can assist by phoning or leaving a message on 6236 8600 or Ian's mobile 0475 421 333 for catering purposes.

**City Church Coffee Club**

The next outing of the Coffee Club will be to the Beaver Galleries, 81 Denison Street, Deakin on **Friday 18 May 2018**. We will meet in the Café at 10.30am for coffee and cake. Following morning tea you may like to have a look around the Gallery. Please let Barbara Lowe know if you plan to attend and if you require transport, phone 6241 4779 or email barbara.lowe@gbl.id.au

**Mingles 21 May 2018**

We next meet on Monday 21st May at 7 pm in the Riley Hall, commencing with dinner. If you wish to hear the speaker, but not attend the dinner, please turn up at 8.15 pm. Those intending to attend should inform Dora Chapman in advance to ensure adequate catering. Our speaker will be Dr Sue Wareham, OAM, who is a general practitioner in Canberra, an expert on the environmental costs of war, and a campaigner against war and nuclear weapons, and is the current president of the Medical Association for the Prevention of War. She will speak on Opposing war in the 21st century : why it matters and how we can make a start.

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