



**CANBERRA CITY**  
**UNITING CHURCH**

## City's Connections

20 December 2020



### Blue Christmas Service.

A quiet, alternative service for anyone who is experiencing grief, loss and pain this season. All Welcome. 7.30 pm, **Monday December 21** at St Margaret's Uniting Church, Cnr Phillip Ave & Antill St. Hackett.

### "Everything in Common" Gift Stalls

Margaret Watt and Anne Buttsworth will be selling gift cards and Christmas cards for UnitingWorld every Sunday morning starting from Sunday, 22 November **until Christmas**. Gift prices start at \$10 for the popular chicken and coffee bean cards. This year we also have chilli paste and/or school book cards for \$15. The gift cards support education, health and livelihood projects in Africa, Asia and the Pacific. UnitingWorld Christmas cards will also be available (\$12 for a pack of 8). Inquiries to Margaret on 6231 7696. **Please note that we cannot take cash this year - all purchases will need to be made by card.**

### Christmas Bowl Appeal 2020

The Christmas Bowl appeal will run from 22 November **to 27 December**. There is a range of ways to give this year - **Giving Envelopes** - available from the narthex; **Give Online** - [www.actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl](http://www.actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl); **Open Plate** - offertory taken on Christmas Day will be donated in total to Act for Peace.

### Gathered Services

Gathered services are held each Sunday morning at 10.00am and City@Night at 5.15pm. Currently the numbers are limited to a maximum of 120 people. For the morning service there is currently no morning tea and no singing and of course people need to practice appropriate social distancing.

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### Christmas/New Year Church Office Closure

The Church Office will be closed from Monday, 21 December 2020 to Friday, 8 January 2021.

**The office will reopen on Monday, 11 January 2021.**

### EMC Basket

The EMC basket is COVID free and open for business again next Sunday. Help the EMC stock its pantry at Church next Sunday by donating some of the items below. The EMC basket will be in the narthex.

Cup of noodles (70g)

Muesli bar (31g)

Cup-a-soup (40g)

Fruit cup (125g)

Tin of baked beans (300g)

Juice box (250ml)

Single pack of cereal (30g)

Sugar-free chewing gum

Pack of sultanas (40g)

Tea bags

Coffee and Sugar sachets

### Special Christmas Services

Christmas Eve – 8.00pm on 24 Dec 2020

Christmas Day – 9.00am on 25 Dec 2020

### Rosters

#### **Today - 20 December 2020**

**Welcomer:** Margaret Martin

**Organist:** Ian Kummerow

**Prayers:** Graeme Lowe

**Readings:** Kathy Trembath

#### **Christmas Day - 25 December 2020**

**Welcomer:** Kumar Sukumar

**Organist:** Hildegard Palafox

**Prayers:** Dennis Martin

**Readings:** Rinda Scott