Web: www.floreat.ucwa.au

Hours: Tues to Fri, 9.00am to 12.00;

#### SUNDAY 21 JANUARY 2024 - DAY OF MOURNING

Since 2019 the Uniting Church has marked a Day of Mourning to reflect on the dispossession of Australia's First Peoples and the ongoing injustices faced by First Nations people in this land. For those of us who are Second Peoples from many lands, we lament that we were and remain complicit.



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As it happens, I attended the very first Day of Mourning service in 2019. It was held at the National Young Adult Leadership Conference in Adelaide and the President of the UCA at the time, Dr Deirde Palmer, led the service alongside several members of the United Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (UAICC). It was an incredibly moving service, as we stopped to listen to the history of pain and recognise the church's part in that history.

For me, this service is essential each year for it gives us an opportunity to begin the year by recognising where we have come from. We begin by recognising the past and the many ways that first nations people of this country have been killed, dispossessed of their land, stolen from their families, and the attempts to obliterate their culture and spirituality. Most of these have occurred with the support of the church.

But we don't remember this pain just to dwell there. Instead, we remember it to remind us of why we are in convent together and why we continue to strive towards greater reconciliation. Once we have recognised the past and our involvement, then we can truly celebrate our work towards peace, love and healing in this land.

Rev Reuben

#### OUR CHURCH LIFE



A warm welcome to visitors worshipping with us today. We invite you to join us in the Hall after the service for Morning Tea and a time of fellowship.

Sunday 21 Janaury			Sunday 28 January		
DAY OF MOURNING			EPIPHANY 4		
9:30 Family Service			9:30 Family Service		
Rev Reuben Edmonds			<b>Rev Reuben Edmonds</b>		
* Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalm 62:5-12 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 * Mark 1:14-20		P.227	Deuteronomy 18:15-20 P.189 Psalm 111 P.608 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 P.212 Mark 1:21-28 P.46		P.608 P.212
* Included in today's service					
Hymns Sunday 21 January					
TiS 674	Inspired by Love and Anger				
TiS 683	God! When Human Bonds are Broken				
TiS 647	Comfort Comfort				
TiS 687	God Gives Us a Future				
Overhead	Blessing: For You Deep Stillness				
	Sunday 21 January		NUARY	SUNDAY 28 JANUARY	
WELCOMER					
DOOR STEWARD				Beth McKechnie	
Elder	Els Mengler			Anne van Drunen	
BIBLE READER	Geoff Hadley			Margaret Oliver	
FLOWERS					
MORNING TEA	Beth McKechnie Carol Brearley			Mavis & Glenn Coughlan	
MUSIC	Rach	el Brayshaw		Geoff Hadley Joseph Lunardi	
MULTIMEDIA	Michael van Drunen			Deborah Marshall	
MEDIA CLICKER	Lilian Hadley			Lee-Anne Burnett	

#### OUR CHURCH LIFE

### Prayers

This week we pray for Osborne Park and Wanneroo Crossways Uniting Churches Assembly Circle of Interest: Seeking Common Ground

Our local prayers will be for the Creative Living Centre

# \*\*\*\*Save the Date - All Saints Floreat AGM\*\*\*\* Sunday, 17 March 2024

# New Bible Study Opportunity

From **Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January,** I am starting a new Bible Study based on the lectionary.

Each we week we will read through the four assigned readings for the coming Sunday, discuss each of them, how they relate to each other, and what they might be saying to us as a community today. This may help me to craft the sermon for the coming Sunday and you might hear your own wise words!

No preparation needed and you can come as a once off, every week or something in between.

Every Monday, 2pm in the Page Room. All are welcome and I look forward to seeing you there.

Rev Reuben

#### Sunday Services at All Saints are Live Streamed and may be viewed via YouTube at 9:30am each Sunday.

If you attend our services and would prefer not to be filmed, please avoid the front four rows of pews. Thank you To contact Rev Reuben Edmonds, Minister of All Saints Floreat Uniting Church, please email: minister@allsaintsfloreat.com.au or telephone: 0404 935 167.



# 9 & 10 FEBRUARY 2024 True to yourself, true to your faith:

Navigating authenticity in a diverse world



Friday 9 February - 6.00pm to 9.00pm The Cambridge Bowling Club, Floreat Dinner & Keynote Speaker Saturday 10 February - 8.30am to 4.30pm All Saints Floreat Uniting Church Guest Speaker Rev Dr Christie Capper plus a variety of workshops to choose from!

#### unitingchurchwa.org.au/events/summer-spirit-2024



Uniting Church in Australia Western Australia



Please register your attendance ASAP. Registration details can be found on the website https://unitingchurchwa.org.au/event/summer-spirit-2024/

### <u>KYB (KNOW YOUR BIBLE)</u> -Thursdays - 9.45-11.30 am - "All Saints" Uniting Church

Ladies - are you interested in learning more about the Bible and how to apply this knowledge in your own life and the life of our Church? The KYB Group provides an opportunity to learn more about our faith and hope through biblical teaching, discuss issues of the day and also share in fellowship and friendship, which is so important in building up the community in which we live. The studies are prepared by Christian Women Communicating International (CWCI) - an ecumenical movement.

Studies for Term 1, 2024, are from the book of "Luke" and commence on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February with Coffee and Introduction to the Study - all ladies welcome.

13 ladies met during 2023 with 8/11 meeting each week - different people each week depending on other activities in their lives – with good discussions and learning and much laughter adding to the fellowship. Although some of us have studied some books before in our more than 30 years, there is always something new for us to learn and others are just beginning. Our diverse backgrounds enable us to enjoy the sharing of insights and experiences as well as building up our faith and praying together.

Contact Sylvia Ryan (9387 4216) or Val Chew (0411 478 833) if you would like more information.

Summer Spirit

#### Donations for Morning Tea

A morning Tea for Summer Spirit will be held at All Saints Floreat on Saturday, 10 February 2024. Can you help with a donation of either biscuits, slices or cakes for the tea please? Please let Marie Yuncken know what you will bring. Thank you.



# DO YOU HAVE SPARE OUTDOOR TABLE & CHAIRS??

The church is in need of replacement outdoor table and chairs. Do you have a set that you no longer use? We would love to put it to good use if you do.





# Do You Have a Spare BBQ?

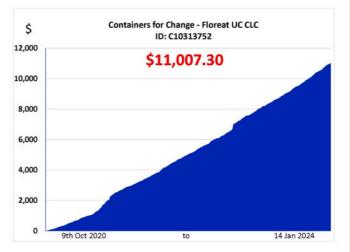
Do you have a spare BBQ in good condition? All Saints Floreat needs to replace the worn out model currently in use.

If you can help with either the Table and Chairs or BBQ (or both!!!), please contact Marie Yuncken. Tel: 0410 061 279.

## **Containers for Change**

Thanks to the magnificent effort from Floreat UC, Wembley Downs UC and Trinity North UC plus many individual efforts the total raised has just passed \$11,000.

Keep up the good work.



Richard Smith

# Wednesday Playgroup is seeking a pianist commencing 31 January 2024

The Wednesday Playgroup runs from 9:30 to 11:30 each Wednesday and the children and parents enjoy the musical session which closes the playgroup each week.

Arriving at 11:00pm for a 11:15pm start, the pianist accompanies the children in a sing a long for 15 minutes.

If you can help, please contact Babs Tuzee - 0414 956 341 or Val Chew - 0411 478 833







In 2024, the Progressive Christianity Network WA is offering a study series at All Saints Floreat Uniting Church from 9.30am (Coffee), Studies at 10am to 11.30am.

The twenty-one studies developed by two United Methodist ministers will be in three series of seven sessions on Monday mornings:



April 15<sup>th</sup> to May 27<sup>th</sup> July 15<sup>th</sup> to August 26<sup>th</sup> October 7<sup>th</sup> to November 18<sup>th</sup>



Study notes and discussion questions will be available for \$20 for each series.

These studies explore the best of modern theological thought with over thirty international scholars, ministers and lay people.



The aim of "Living the Questions" is to foster exploration, intellectual engagement, inclusivity, ethical reflection, adaptability, community building, and personal transformation.



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