



50 Berkeley Crescent, Floreat WA 6014; Tel: (08) 6185 1116;

Office: Marika Leonard; office@allsaintsfloreat.com.au; Hours: Tues to Fri, 9.00am to 12.00; Web: www.floreat.uca.wa.au

NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER 2024 - ADVENT 1

A New Lectionary Year

This Sunday marks the beginning of Advent and the beginning of a new church year. We will begin Year C, which focuses on the Gospel of Luke. In the newly released Uniting Church in Australia Lectionary resource, the President of the Uniting Church, Rev Chariss Suli, introduces the Gospel of Luke. You can read an excerpt of the introduction below or read it in full here: <https://uniting.church/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/Lectionary-YrC-2025-1.pdf>

“The Gospel of Luke invites us into a unique and profoundly compassionate vision of Christ’s ministry — a vision that speaks especially to the lost, the marginalised, and the least among us. This gospel highlights a Jesus anointed by the Spirit to bring good news to the poor, proclaim release to captives, recovery of sight to the blind, and to set the oppressed free (Lk 4:18-19). In Luke, we see Jesus fulfilling a radical mission of liberation, with salvation woven through as an inclusive hope for all people.

Luke’s narrative also offers a unique space for women, lifting up their voices and experiences in ways unseen in other gospels. Mary, Elizabeth and Anna take central roles in the story of Jesus’ birth and early ministry. Through Mary’s prophetic song—the Magnificat—we hear the cry for justice and liberation resound as she proclaims a God who scatters the proud and exalts the humble, a truth that echoes through the ages.

Continued on page 3

OUR CHURCH LIFE

To contact Rev Reuben Edmonds, Minister of All Saints Floreat Uniting Church, please email: minister@allsaintsfloreat.com.au or telephone: 0404 935 167.

Sunday 1 December Advent 1 9:30am Communion Service Rev Reuben Edmonds	Sunday 8 December Advent 2 9:30am Family Service Rev Reuben Edmonds
* Jeremiah 33:14-16 P.769 Psalm 25:1-10 P.550 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13 P.258 * Luke 21: 25-36 P.108 *Included in Service	Malachi 3:1-4 P.926 Luke 1:68-79 P.74 Philippians 1:3-11 P.246 Luke 3:1-6 P.48 * Included in Service

HYMNS SUNDAY 1 DECMEBER

TiS 286	Light One Candle
TiS 629	When I Needed a Neighbour
TiS 534	Love Is His Word
TiS 265	O Come, O Come Emmanuel
TiS 779	May The Feet

	SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER	SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER
Welcomer	Rhondda Tilbrook	Rhondda Tilbrook
Door Steward	Beth McKechnie	Linda & Keith Harris
Church Council	Deborah Marshall	Lee-Anne Burnett
Bible Reader	Carmen Savundra	Jean Read
Flowers	Margaret Oliver	Margaret Oliver
Morning Tea	Margaret Oliver Carol Brearley	John & Beth McKechnie
Music	Christine Ryan - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Geoff Hadley - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin
Multimedia	Rhondda Tilbrook	Richard Smith
Media Clicker	Lee-Anne Burnett	Michael van Drunen

OUR CHURCH LIFE

Prayers

From The WA Synod: Narrogin Group (Cuballing and Narrogin Uniting Churches), the Wagin Group (Darkan, Dumbleyung and Wagin Uniting Churches). The Church of North India

Our local prayers will be for: Uniting Aid

Ecumenical Prayer will be for: Myanmar, Thailand

All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week

Lectionary Bible Study	Monday, 2 December	2:00pm - Page Room
Open House Playgroup	Wednesday, 4 December	9:30pm - Page & Buttfield Rooms
Care Group Meeting	Wednesday, 4 December	1:45 - Vestry
KYB (Know Your Bible)	Thursday, 5 December	9:45am - Creche

A New Lectionary Year cont....

Luke's gospel is a call to see the kingdom of God not as distant or inaccessible but as breaking into our lives here and now. As we journey through this liturgical year, let us reflect on the Spirit's anointing upon us—to be good news to the poor, to set captives free, and to proclaim God's grace to all.

May Luke's witness inspire us to weave Christ's love that knows no bounds, welcoming all with the same compassion, justice, and joy that Jesus embodied."

Rev Charissa Suli, President of the Uniting Church in Australia

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



Blue

Christmas Service

**SUNDAY, 8TH DECEMBER
AT 7:00 PM**

For some, Christmas brings mixed emotions as they mark Christmas without a loved one. Our Blue Christmas Service is for those who wish to mark the hope of Christmas while acknowledging this time of grief and sadness - of feeling blue.

All Saints Floreat Uniting Church
50 Berkeley Crescent
Floreat, Wa, 6014
(08) 61895 1116

CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone at All Saints Floreat Uniting Church for all the care and support I received during Graeme's illness and death.

It is very much appreciated.

Jean Read

Donations towards the cost of the choir for the Christmas Carol Service can be made by electronic transfer to:

Account Name: Uniting Church in Australia - Parish of Floreat

BSB: 036 063 - Account Number: 122093

Thank you

Your Retiring offering 8 December and all offerings on 25 December 2025 will go to Christmas Bowl

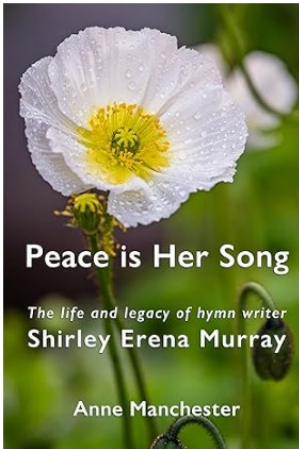


Each December All Saints Floreat Uniting Church supports the ongoing work of the World Council of Churches' by giving our Christmas Day Offering to the Act for Peace Christmas Bowl. Your offerings will help support communities around the world affected by conflict and disaster.

If you are making a donation by post or transfer, please include the code CB45800 as this will ensure your donation is attributed to All Saints Floreat Uniting Church.

For more information contact Bob Sumner on 0439 875 818

Book Review



Peace is Her Song: The life and legacy of hymn writer Shirley Erena Murray by Anne Manchester pp338. Phillip Garside Publishing Ltd.

A truly stimulating book by noted journalist and writer Ann Manchester about New Zealand hymn writer Shirely Eren Murray (1931 – 2020) whose hymns have significantly influenced contemporary church music.

Raised a Methodist, she became a Presbyterian on marrying Rev John Stewart Murray, who with

Shirley's help took St Andrews on the Terrace in Wellington on the verge of closure to becoming a hub for music, progressive theology, social action, including the anti-apartheid movement, racial equality and the integrity of creation. Sir Lloyd Geering played a significant role where he served as an honorary assistant minister and lecturer, contributing to the church's focus on contemporary theological thought and community engagement.

Only a couple of Shirely Murray's hymns are included in our *Together in Song: Australian Hymn Book* used extensively in the Uniting Church. In contrast her hymns are included in more than **140 collections** worldwide, particularly in North America. Murray's approach to hymn writing emphasized the importance of singing as an expression of belief, famously stating: *"If you don't sing it, you don't believe it"*. Her hymns serve not only as expressions of faith but also as calls to action for justice, peace within communities and care of creation.

Richard Smith

Ladies Bookclub
10 December - 2:30pm



Our final meeting for 2024 will be Afternoon Tea at Margaret Wolfe's home on Tuesday 10th December at 2.30 pm.

Come and enjoy a social time together

Wesley at One
Free Lunchtime Recital

Classical Swoon

Friday 6 December 2024
1pm

Wesley Uniting Church
cnr of William & Hay Streets
Perth

Bring along your lunch and enjoy some beautiful music in a peaceful sanctuary



Uniting Church in Australia
Uniting Church in the City

www.perthunitingchurch.org.au



@PerthUCIC



ucic_perth_wa



PICYS Christmas Appeal

As pick-ups have now concluded for the year, the people at PICYS would greatly appreciate any donations towards the Christmas lunch they provide for people in need of their help.



Would you please leave any donations at the Church office and I will collect them before Christmas.

Thank you so much to our loyal band of donors and collectors.

PICYS 2025

Due to ill health, I have found it very difficult to do my share this year and have greatly appreciated the support I have received from all the helpers.

I am happy to arrange the roster for 2025 but would be very grateful if we could recruit some new donors and collectors. This is not an onerous task and I would be very happy to explain what is involved if you are interested.

Thanking you all.

Lynne Jackson

9446 5319

Do you know we have a Facebook page?



Follow All Saints Floreat Uniting Church at:[https://
www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61561322934251](https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61561322934251)

CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

The following article appeared in The Post newspaper on 23 November 2024. It's a fitting acknowledgement of the effort made and kindness shown by this wonderful team. Well done everybody involved!!



From left Margaret Harris, Merle Schupp, Heather Booth, Carol Brearley, Margaret Davies, Kathy Lubcke and Margaret Oliver.

Teddy bears from Floreat with love

The clever knitters at All Saints Floreat Uniting Church have been applying their talents to ease the stress of kids in hospital.

In September church members Heather Booth and Carol Brearley decided to make teddy bears to give to children admitted to hospital.

Their decision followed a talk given by child and adolescent health service volunteer coordinator Andy Wahid about the role of Perth Children's Hospital volunteers.

He said some volunteers had donated articles to help distract children from the trauma of the incident that led to their hospital visit.

So Heather and Carol, who at-

tend All Saints Floreat Uniting Church, decided to create trauma teddies to be given to kids in hospital as a cuddly way to distract them from their traumatic experience.

They spread the word and it has become a real team effort.

Heather, a former nurse, said the women had made more than 200 of the teddies so far, using leftover wool they had in their cupboards, and donations.

They each contributed their bit to each teddy: some knitted, some sewed, some stuffed the bears and others added the trimmings that made each bear unique.

Each one is finished off with a small tag with the words "Hand made with Love" and "Floreat

Uniting Church", before being packed into a cellophane bag with washing instructions.

Heather said she stuffed the bears while she watched Antiques Roadshow on TV.

"We all said 'If I can be useful, I'd like to be useful'," she said.

"We took them to church to be blessed by our minister. It's all been very positive."

Perth Children's Hospital volunteers use their training and discretion to give out a teddy bear to calm an anxious child who might be waiting for emergency treatment, having ongoing treatment, or attending the immunisation clinic.

Siblings are considered also, because they can be apprehensive about visiting hospital.

Summer Spirit - Introducing our Speakers



Summer Spirit will be held on Friday, 21 February at Cambridge Bowling Club and Saturday, 22 February 2025 at All Saints Floreat Uniting Church, Floreat.

Introducing the first of the 2025 Summer Spirit keynote speakers.

MICHAEL FROST

Mike Frost is an internationally recognised Australian missiologist

and one of the leading voices in the missional church movement. His books are required reading in colleges and seminaries around the world and he is much sought after as an international conference speaker. He is the author or editor of nineteen theological books, his most recent being 'Mission is the Shape of Water' (2023). Mike's presentations at Summer Spirit 2025 will draw upon his work in this book.

Click below to find out more. <https://unitingchurchwa.org.au/event/summer-spirit-2025/>

Preserves for Sale

A beautiful array of jam, marmalade, chutney and honey are for sale on top of the cupboard in the foyer. Prices as marked.

Please place cash payment in the slot on the top right of the cupboard.



Thank you.

A CHRISTMAS CHARM-AGEDDON

Date: Friday 13th & Saturday 14th December

Time: 6:45pm show starts | Doors open at 6:25pm with pre-show entertainment

Bar & canteen open from 6pm for pre-show drinks

Where: Taryn Fiebig Concert Hall, Churchlands



Keep up with
us on Instagram

@superfinspantomime

Will the Superfins restore
the Treasurer's Charm?

Or will the spirit of the
Pantomime be lost...

forever?!

www.trybooking.com

Search

"Superfins Pantomime"



"Broadway WISHES they
had a show like this!"
- Critics

lotterywest
supported





*Join us at
All Saints Floreat UC
this Christmas Season.
All are welcome.*

**SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER
9:30AM - CHILDREN'S SERVICE**

**TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER
7:00PM - CAROL SERVICE**

**WEDNESDAY 25TH DECEMBER
9:00AM - CHRISTMAS DAY
SERVICE**

**All Saints Floreat Uniting Church
50 Berkeley Crescent. Floreat
Tel: (08) 6168 1116**