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# NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2024 - GIVING 2

## *Giving the Gift of Hope, Empowerment and Growth*

I'm sure you will have seen the Uniting World *Everything in Common Gift Catalogue 2024* on the table in the foyer.



“Everything in Common” is a special initiative of Uniting World. The idea behind the gift catalogue is simple yet powerful: instead of material gifts, you can choose from a range of options that provide tangible support for communities, helping to address poverty, support education, improve healthcare, and build resilient livelihoods. These gifts not only bring joy to the recipient but also foster hope, empowerment, and growth for individuals and communities facing significant challenges.

The choices in the catalogue offer a refreshing alternative to consumer-driven gift-giving. Rather than purchasing items that may be quickly forgotten, these gifts provide enduring benefits to individuals, families, and entire communities. It's a chance to stand in solidarity with marginalized populations and to contribute directly to their long-term empowerment.

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## OUR CHURCH LIFE

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**Sunday 17 November**  
**Giving 2**  
**9:30am Family Service**  
**Rev Reuben Edmonds**

**Sunday 24 November**  
**Reign of Christ**  
**9:30am Family Service**  
**Rev Sue Talbert**

\* Matthew 12: 41-44 P.19  
 \* Galatians 5:22-26 P.238  
 \* Mark 12:41-44 P.64  
 \*Included in Service

2 Samuel 23:1-7 P.325  
 Psalm 132:1-12 (13-18) P.619  
 Revelation 1:4b-8 P.312  
 John 18:33-37 P.142  
 \* Included in Service

### HYMNS SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER

TiS 626 Lord of Creation

Tis 686 Because We Bear Your Name

Overhead All Things are Yours (Tune TiS 439)

TiS 690 Beauty for Brokenness

TiS 779 May the Feet

### SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER

### SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER

Welcomer Lee-Anne Burnett

Carol Brearley

Door Steward Jean Read

Helen Bloomfield

Church Council Lee-Anne Burnett

Els Mengler

Bible Reader Lindsay Wolfe

Els Mengler

Flowers Debbie Thornton

Debbie Thornton

Morning Tea Lee-Anne Burnett  
Margaret Wolfe

Margaret Smithson  
Michiko Stuart

Music Christine Ryan - Piano  
Joseph Lunardi - Violin  
James Ahn - Violin

Rachel Brayshaw - Piano  
Joseph Lunardi - Violin

Multimedia Michael van Drunen

Deborah Marshall

Media Clicker Lillian Hadley

Marie Yuncken

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

### *Prayers*

**From The WA Synod:** Esperance Uniting Church and Katanning Regional Council (Katanning, Kojonup and Tambellup Uniting Churches) and Synod of Queensland

**Our local prayers will be for:** Safe Church Committee

### All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week

Graeme Read Memorial Service	Monday, 18 November	2:00pm - All Saints
Elders Meeting	Tuesday, 19 November	5:00pm Page Room
Open House Playgroup	Wednesday, 20 November	9:30 - Page & Buttfield Rooms
KIT Group Meeting	Wednesday, 20 November	1:00pm - Vestry
KYB (Know Your Bible)	Thursday, 21 November	9:45am - Creche
Sing Along	Thursday, 21 November	2:00pm - Church Hall

## *Giving the Gift of Hope, Empowerment and Growth cont....*

Giving through Uniting World's catalogue also strengthens global connections, as donors gain insight into the lives and resilience of communities in places like the Pacific, Asia, and Africa. Through these gifts, we are reminded that we all have a role in creating a more just, compassionate, and equitable world.

For more information, or to browse the 2024 gift catalogue online, visit Uniting World's website and join a global community of individuals who believe in giving gifts that change lives.

[https://donate.unitingworld.org.au/everythingincommon?  
srsltid=AfmBOovvhx4kXl3LhUguwODyxIDNd5Z9ZShcF5eSr1GPmsGT60x  
upqxf](https://donate.unitingworld.org.au/everythingincommon?srsltid=AfmBOovvhx4kXl3LhUguwODyxIDNd5Z9ZShcF5eSr1GPmsGT60xupqxf)

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### ***\*\* Save the Date \*\****

#### ***5pm – Sunday, 8 December - Blue Christmas Service***

For many, Christmas is a time of joy and celebration as we mark the birth of Christ and spend time with family and friends. However, for some, Christmas brings mixed emotions as they mark Christmas without a loved one. A 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.

The service includes a time to acknowledge those who have died with candle lighting and will be followed by supper. The service will be streamed so please let family and friends know about it if you feel this is a service that would be meaningful for them.

#### ***7pm – Tuesday, 17 December - Christmas Carols Service***

This service will be all about the Christmas story and singing. We have an 8-person choir, a guest organist and conductor, Angela Currie.

Andrew and Angela are kindly volunteering their time for the service however we are providing a fee for each of our choristers. We are keen to enable this to be a free event for all who come. If you are able, donations towards the cost of the choir would be appreciated. Please include 'choir' in the description of an electronic donation or you can donate via the church offering on Sunday in a marked envelope. Thank you for your support.

#### ***Offerings may be made to the church via bank transfer to:***

Account Name: Uniting Church in Australia - Parish of Floreat

BSB: 036 063

Account Number: 122093

Thank you

# Accommodation Required in February 2024



Planning is well underway for the next Australian Papuan Cultural Exchange Program (APCEP) course which begins in early February 2025. As usual we are looking for hospitable members of the congregation to offer board and

lodging for the students. They will be here for twelve weeks and we are hoping to place them in one or two homes during their stay. The young women selected this time will



attend Milner International College of English during the



week and the Black Pearl Network will organise outings for them during their program. Hosts would be asked to provide a safe comfortable place for them to stay for up to 12 weeks but preferably for at least 6 weeks as moving house is a stressful time for the

students.

If you can help out with accommodation or would like to assist with outings or other activities, please contact Lee-Anne on 0414 153 323

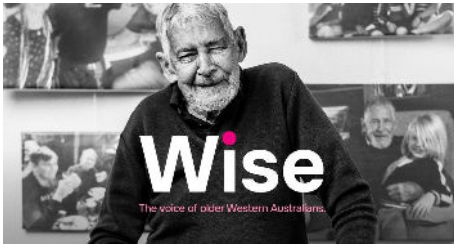
## CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

### *Vale Graeme Read*

Graeme Read, a member of our congregation, passed away surrounded by his family on Tuesday, 5 November 2024

We extend our sympathy to Jean and all the Read family.

A funeral service will be held at All Saints Floreat Uniting Church on Monday, 18 November 2024 at 2:00pm.



### *Wise: the voice of older Western Australians*

***Wise: The voice of older Australians, is a free exhibition at the Perth Town Hall running from 21 to 27 November.***

Featuring the work of one of Australia's foremost portrait photographers, Steve Wise, *Wise* celebrates older Western Australians and the amazing lives they are leading by exploring their stories, views, and hopes for the future.

Alongside each stunning portrait are the subject's fascinating and touching personal stories.

### **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

## CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

### *Cards for Christmas*

The card making group got together recently to make Christmas cards. Margaret Davies, Felicity Taylor, Cath Walker and myself had a very productive and pleasant morning. It's a great way of catching up and getting to know each other better. The cards turned out beautifully. They can be seen and purchased for the bargain price of \$2.50 each. The card stand is in the entrance hall. The proceeds of the sales go to the English teaching program in West Papua.

Thank you for your support.



*Els Mengler*

Come and hear Reuben sing with the UWA Choral Society at their Christmas concert on 22 December 2024 at Winthrop Hall, UWA.

Details can be seen in the poster on Page 12.

Please use code **MEMBERSFRIENDS** when purchasing tickets to enjoy 10% discount.



## *Reflections on Giving*

The most important decision I made was to invest my money, time and talents to the Church.

Although I was born into a Christian family, I received my conversion to God attending a Methodist youth camp at Glen Forrest in my youth. At that time I was attending the Claremont Methodist Church and took on the role of Secretary/Treasurer at the Sunday school under the supervision of George Idle. Over the years George was a very close friend and was very helpful with his encouragement, guidance and advice with my Christian journey. He also was my Best Man at my wedding to Peggy.

Other involvements with the Church were Treasurer/adviser of the Uniting Church campsite at Parkerville and my many duties and involvement at our Floreat Uniting Church. It was through Bill Gamel I took up the role of Finance recorder after a Stewardship programme in 1987.

Psalm 127 touches on God's guidance in our lives and I found true security and wellbeing following God's guidance and placing my trust in God in my work, family and society. Through my giving to the Church I have received wonderful support from the Ministers & congregation particularly with the passing of my wife (2009) and daughter (2010).

I met my wife Peggy at the Claremont Methodist Church and settled in Floreat in 1957 and attended the Floreat Methodist Church. We both became involved with the Church with our gifts and talents. In my giving, I have made a bequest in my will to the Church.

I truly believe that I am here today through the support of the Church, through the ministers and congregation.

*Bob Sumner*



# All Saints Sing Along

Our next Sing Along will be on  
Thursday, 21 November 2024 starting at  
2:00pm in the Church Hall



Create unforgettable  
memories and build  
a community  
through the joy of  
singing.

No auditions.  
No need to read  
music.

Afternoon Tea Provided -  
Gold Coin Donation  
All Saints Uniting Church  
48-50 Berkeley Crescent, Floreat

PERTH INNER CITY YOUTH SERVICES

Friday 22 November 2024

Food Pick-Up Floreat

J & C Schaus 0409 293 319

AM Please



## CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION



The floral arrangements in the Church today are placed in memory of Tom Hoffman.



### *Prayer Chain*

If you would like to join All Saints Floreat Prayer Chain or have any prayer requests for the chain, please contact

Rev Reuben.

Thank you

### *Christmas Cakes and Mince Pies*



It is time to place your orders again for our special Christmas Cakes, Pudding and Mince Pies. The Order Forms are on the table in the Foyer and goods will be here on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December for collection.

Money is to be paid to Marie Yuncken or left in the Church Office.

If you unable to collect your order on 8<sup>th</sup> December please contact Marie on 0410 061 279.

# CHILDREN'S SERVICE



Celebrate the spirit of Christmas at our Children's Service. Children of all ages are invited to come and experience the wonder of Christmas at this service designed especially for children. Parents and family are welcome too!!

**Sunday 15 December 2024**

**9:30am**

**All Saints Floreat Uniting Church  
50 Berkeley Crescent  
Floreat, WA, 6014  
Tel: (08) 6185 1116**



# Christmas

## WITH UWACS

*a perfect prelude to your Christmas celebrations*

*The programme to include:*

Mass in G Major – JS Bach  
Gloria – Perry Joyce (world premiere!)  
well known English Carols  
Morning Song for the Christ Child – Sculthorpe  
Here is the Little Door – Howells.

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**Conducted by Kristin Bowtell  
with**

**Jessica Blunt – Soprano  
Caitlin Forrest – Mezzo Soprano  
Tom Buckmaster – Tenor  
Devon Lake – Baritone  
and Alessandro Pittorino (organ) and orchestra**

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**4.00pm Sunday 22 December 2024  
Winthrop Hall, UWA**

followed by the traditional picnic on the  
lawns of Whitfield Court

**For tickets from  
\$15 go to**

**[ticketsWA.com](https://ticketsWA.com)**



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