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# NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER 2024 - ADVENT 2

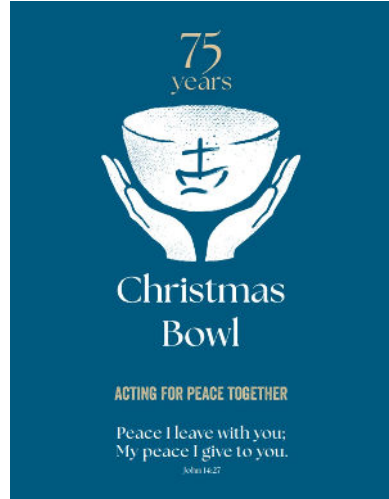
## Christmas Bowl

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we approach the joyous season of Christmas, I am delighted to endorse the NCCA's Christmas Bowl appeal on behalf of Act for Peace. This year marks the 75th anniversary of the Christmas Bowl, a powerful testament to our enduring commitment to those in need.

For 75 years, our church communities have embodied the spirit of Christ's love by giving hope to displaced families through the Christmas Bowl. Your generous contributions have provided food, care, and lifesaving support to those facing unimaginable hardships. From your church community to theirs, your Christmas Bowl gifts bring the peace of a safe place to belong to those who need it most.

Let us continue this legacy of compassion and action. As we celebrate the birth of our Saviour, let us also celebrate the peace and hope we can bring to others. Please join me in supporting the Christmas Bowl appeal, praying for peace, and acting to uplift the most vulnerable among us.



In Christ's love and service,

**Rev Charissa Suli**

**President, Uniting Church in Australia**

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

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

<p><b>Sunday 8 December</b>  <b>Advent 2</b>  <b>9:30am Family Service</b>  <b>Rev Reuben Edmonds</b></p>	<p><b>Sunday 8 December</b>  <b>Blue Christmas Service</b>  <b>5:00pm</b>  <b>Rev Reuben Edmonds</b></p>
<p>* 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</p>	<p>* Isaiah 40: 1, 6-8 P.701          * Psalm 139: 7 – 12 P.622          * John 14: 1-4, 18-19 P.137          * Included in Service</p>

### HYMNS SUNDAY 8 DECMEBER

TiS 286	Light One Candle
TiS 647	Comfort Comfort
Overhead	Christmas Bowl Blessing (Tune: TiS 348)
TiS 607	Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
TiS 778	Shalom

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

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

### *Prayers*

**From The WA Synod:** North Midlands Shared Ministry (Carnamah, and Three Springs Uniting Churches)

**Our local prayers will be for:** Church Hospitality Volunteers

**Ecumenical Prayer will be for:** Myanmar, Thailand

### All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week

Lectionary Bible Study	Monday, 9 December	2:00pm - Page Room
Open House Playgroup	Wednesday, 11 December	9:30pm - Page & Buttfield Rooms

***Donations towards the cost of the choir for the Christmas Carol Service to be held on 17 February 2024 can be made by electronic transfer to:***

Account Name: Uniting Church in Australia - Parish of Floreat

BSB: 036 063 - Account Number: 122093

Thank you

### *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



### **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

### *Friendship Groups 2025*

January is the month when we reallocate people to new groups. This enables each of us to get to know more people at All Saints.

If you would like to join a group, please let Anne van Drunen know. We currently have seven groups. If for any reason you need to withdraw from a group, please let your group leader or Anne know.

Anne can be found at Church on Sunday or phone her on 0415 716 046.

Thank you.

### *Vale Coral Currie*

Coral Currie, a member of All Saints Floreat Uniting Church, died peacefully on Monday 2 December.

The Funeral Service will be held in the Bowra & O'Dea chapel Cannington on Wednesday, 11 December at 2.30pm.

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the Currie family.



### *A Service of Lament and Hope*

A service of Lament and Hope on the final day of the 16 days of Activism will be held at St Nicholas Church, Floreat on Tuesday, 10 December at 5:00pm. The service will include the launch and blessing of their purple benches. Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy will attend the service. St Nicholas Church would like to extend an invitation to all the people of All Saints Uniting Church.

Light refreshments will be served after the service.

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### 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

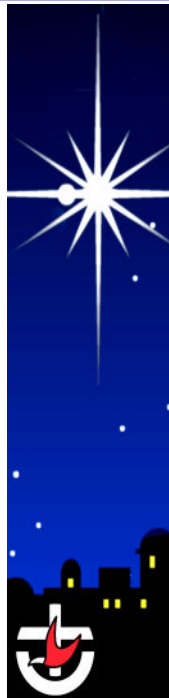
**ALL SAINTS  
SING ALONG**

THURSDAY 19 DECEMBER  
2:00PM TILL 4:00PM

**Come and sing your favourite  
tunes, Christmas Songs and  
Carols**

**No auditions. No need to read music.**

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



*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

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### *Friendship Group News*

Our Friendship Group enjoyed a final lunch for 2024 at Maison Saint-Honore in East Perth. During lunch we discovered that there is branch of this restaurant chain in Birkdale St Floreat so we could have saved some driving!! However, we agreed that it is good to try new and different venues.

This restaurant is in a building which looked as though it could have been a warehouse in a former life. We all enjoyed our meal especially the cake!!

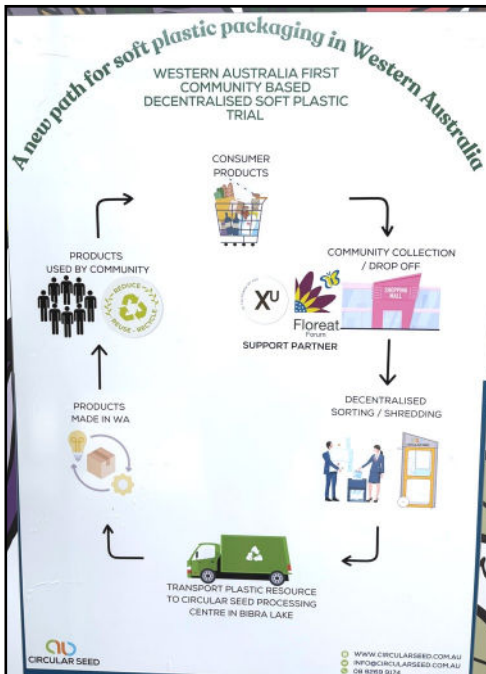


*At lunch - Helen Lilly, Rhondda Tilbrook, Sue Talbert, Bob Sumner, Richard Lilly*

*Rhondda Tilbrook*



## *Trial for Recycling Soft Plastics*



According to Clean Up Australia's most recent Litter Report\*\* soft plastic pieces such as plastic bags, bread bags, cling film, confectionary wrappers and fresh and frozen produce bags, are the most common item found in litter. In addition to that, the amount of soft plastic collected has increased compared to the year before due to increased use by consumers and a lack of current facilities and programs to collect.

Research into the recycling of soft plastics is being carried out and

you can help by participating in the collection of soft plastics. A community collection/drop off point is available in the Floreat Forum for the next three weeks and can be found opposite the Floreat Market and Post Office. Please save all your soft plastics and take them to the drop off point.

Your assistance in this important research will be greatly appreciated.

\*\* <https://www.cleanup.org.au/rubbish-report>

### *Do you know we have a Facebook page?*



Follow All Saints Floreat Uniting Church at: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61561322934251>

# 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**

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