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NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 20 JULY 2025 - AFTER PENTECOST 6

New Church Experience

On Wednesday, 2nd July I attended a Supplication Service to the Theotokos (God Bearer or Mother of God) at the Cathedral of Saints Constantine and Helene of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of



Australia. The service was led by a visiting priest and the cathedral parish priest, Father Terry. The Supplicatory Service is a sung service beseeching God to grant spiritual and physical health and wellbeing to the living. This service sought to ask Mary to pray for the community and included an opportunity to venerate the icon of Mary.

This was the first time I had attended an orthodox service. As an evening service it occurred entirely by candlelight and while services are usually in Greek, their Wednesday services are in English. Perhaps this might be why the attending congregation was full of people my age. We stood as the service began. I eventually learnt that traditionally you stand for the whole service... that was an interesting lesson. As the service continued, I listened to prayers sung, smelled incense burnt, and heard the names of the community we were praying for. I was moved by this hour-long service in which the congregation only says the Lord's prayer. For the rest of the service you stand and listen as the priest lifts the words of prayer to God.

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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 Service 9:30am, 20 July After Pentecost 6 Shirley Francis		Sunday Service 9:30am, 27 July After Pentecost 7 Rev Reuben Edmonds	
Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52 Colossians 1:15-28 * Galatians 5: 22-25 * Luke 10:38-42 * Included in Service	P.890 P.568 P.252 P.238 P.91	Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85 Colossians 2:6-15 * Galatians 5: 22-25 * Luke 11:1-13 * Included in Service	P.870 P.589 P.253 P.238 P.92
HYMNS SUNDAY 20 JULY			
TiS 585	I heard the Voice of Jesus Say		
Overhead	Be Still and Know that I am God		
TiS 609	May the mind of Christ my Saviour		
TiS 181	Come O God of all the Earth		
Blessing Hymn	The Fruit of the Spirit		
	SUNDAY 20 JULY	SUNDAY 27 JULY	
Welcomer	Oli Raynor	Shyrelle Bennett	
Door Steward	David Sagers	Bob Sumner	
Church Council	Deborah Marshall	Marie Yuncken	
Bible Reader	Deborah Marshall	Lindsay Wolfe	
Flowers	Debbie Thornton	Marie Yuncken	
Morning Tea	Carol Brearley Beth & John McKechnie	Lee-Anne Burnett Jean Read	
Music	Christine Ryan - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Geoff Hadley - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	
Multimedia	James Millar	Deborah Marshall	
Media Clicker	Els Mengler	Lee-Anne Burnett	

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Prayers

From The WA Synod: Eastern Wheatbelt Group (Merredin and Southern Cross Uniting Churches). Presbyterian Church of Vanuatu

Ecumenical Prayer will be for: Djibouti, Somalia

Our local prayers will be for: Progressive Christian Network

All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week

Lectionary Bible Study	Monday, 21 July	2:00pm - Creche
Gen Y Z Dinner	Monday, 21 July	6:30pm -Manse
Church Council Meeting	Tuesday, 22 July	6:30pm - Page Room
All Saints Playgroup	Wednesday, 23 July	9:30am - Page Room
KYB (Know Your Bible)	Thursday, 24 July	9:45am - Creche
Crafting for Others	Saturday, 26 July	10:00am - Undercroft
Boab Thanksgiving Service	Saturday, 26 July	4:00pm

New Church Experience cont...

The service was followed by a shared supper and then a theology lecture from His Grace Bishop Elpidios of Perth about the Nicene Creed and its 1700th anniversary this year. He spoke of the council of Nicaea as one of the earliest examples of how we govern our church through Synods. No one person can change the doctrine of the church, instead the Orthodox church, and the UCA, come together in Synods to discern the will of God as a group.

I always enjoy opportunities to experience different Christian denominations, learn from them, and appreciate our similarities and differences (I still like sitting for some of the service). If you visit a church of another denomination, I encourage you to share your experience with us in the News and Notes.

Rev Reuben

Roster: Welcomer



Our church services run because of many dedicated volunteers who help in many different ways. To help organise our efforts, each role has a coordinator who manages the roster for their role. Each week we are going to highlight one of

these roles and their duties so you can consider whether you might like to participate in this ministry of the church. First up is the Welcomer.

The welcomer's primary responsibility is to welcome new people as they come to our congregation. For brand new visitors we have gift bags (which includes our News and Notes, a Revive, a pen, etc.). For returning visitors we provide a News and Notes and service handout for you to give them. It can be tricky to know who a visitor is or if they're returning after a break so welcomers are invited to be courageous and ask. Sometimes welcomers offer assistance to those arriving with mobility challenges if able to.

The welcomer also has the honour of ringing the church bell at 9:25 am (you can ask someone else to do it on the morning if you prefer). It lovely to see people crossing the road or heading up the stairs as the bell tolls and reminds the community we are meeting. Welcomers are encouraged to set the doors back to automatic and check that the office is locked before heading into worship.

Welcomers are also encouraged (along with all members of the congregation) to speak to new visitors before and after the service and at morning tea.

If you would like to be part of this ministry which seeks to provide an important friendly welcome for newcomers, please contact the welcomer coordinator, Lee-Anne Burnett, or Marika in the office.

Thank you.



CRAFTING FOR OTHERS CHRISTMAS IN JULY

SATURDAY, 26 JULY 2025

10:00AM TO 1:00PM - IN THE UNDERCROFT

Join in Christmas card making for the
church or bring your own craft
project if you wish.

Enjoy a social morning while making
something which will be cherished by
others.

If you can, please bring a plate
to share for morning tea



Service of Thanksgiving

Saturday, 26 July 2025 - 4:00pm

All Saints Floreat Uniting Church

**Come and celebrate 16 years of
ministry in Mowanjum.
The Service will include a celebration
of Gail Cresswell's ministry
and will be followed by a
light supper.**

All are welcome.



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CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

Visit to Uniting WA Tranby Engagement Hub



Rev Elaine Ledgerwood has organised a visit for members of St Aiden's UC to go and visit Uniting WA's Tranby Engagement

Hub and she would like to extend the invitation to members of the All Saints Floreat UC. The visit will occur from 2 to 3pm on Tuesday the 29th of July. If you are interested in joining this opportunity please contact Rev Elaine on 0412143498 for further information or visit :

<https://unitingwa.org.au/services/homelessness/crisis-support-tranby/>

KYB (KNOW YOUR BIBLE) - Thursdays - 9.45-11.30 am at All Saints Floreat Uniting Church Term 3 Commences Thursday, 24 July

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

Please note Term 3, 2025 commences on Thursday 24th July at 9.45am in the Creche with Coffee and Introduction to the Study – “1 Samuel” – all ladies welcome.



QUIZ NIGHT

Do you have what it takes to be the 2025 IPDC quiz champions? Make up a table of 8-10 friends (or we can help you make up a table and some new friends)! Enjoy a fun filled night while helping to raise money for the work of the Black Pearl Network in Papua, Indonesia. This is your chance to show off your knowledge and make new friends in the Uniting Church family!



Saturday, 23 August

DOORS OPEN AT
6.30PM FOR A 7.00PM
SHARP START



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