



# NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 6 JULY 2025 - AFTER PENTECOST 4

## *Dear White Peacemakers*



I am in an ecumenical clergy book club and the latest book we have read is '*dear white peacemakers*' by Osheta Moore. She is a writer & pastor based in Saint Paul, Minnesota, USA. She describes her book as a "breakup letter to division, a love letter to God's Beloved Community, and an eviction notice to the violent powers that have sustained racism for centuries."

Friends, I cannot recommend this book highly enough. It is very accessible, particularly as Osheta weaves in lyrics of spirituals and personal experiences, as she explains why white Christians are called to be peacemakers. It is confronting at times, encouraging at others and always expresses the love of Christ for black and white people alike. While the book is deeply rooted in her experiences in the US, the theology she preaches is just as applicable here in Australia.

Osheta strongly argues for the anti-racism movement but begins with a reminder that white supremacy has dehumanised both the oppressed and the oppressor and we are all Beloved by God. She suggests that shame is the barrier to belovedness and is not a helpful starting place for white peacemakers. Anti-racism is not about internalizing hate for your own skin. However Osheta is also clear that "a profound act of peacemaking is to hear the cries of suffering and move toward relieving that suffering, even if that means we'd have to suffer to."

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## OUR CHURCH LIFE

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<b>Communion Service</b> <b>9:30am, 6 July</b> <b>After Pentecost 4</b> <b>Rev Reuben Edmonds</b>		<b>Sunday Service</b> <b>9:30am, 13 July</b> <b>After Pentecost 5</b> <b>Rev Reuben Edmonds</b>	
2 Kings 5:1-14 Psalm 30 * Galatians 5:22-25 Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16 * Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 * Included in Service	P.367 P.552 P.238 P.238 P.90	Amos 7:7-17 Psalm 82 Colossians 1:1-14 * Galatians 5:22-25 Luke 10:25-37 * Included in Service	P.889 P.588 P.251 P.238 P.91
<b>HYMNS SUNDAY 6 JULY</b>			
TiS 181	Come O God Of All The Earth		
TiS 607	Make Me A Channel of Your Peace		
TiS 528	Feed Us Now		
SoG 825	The Peace of the Earth		
Overhead	The Fruit of the Spirit (Tune: TiS 531)		
	<b>SUNDAY 6 JULY</b>	<b>SUNDAY 13 JULY</b>	
Welcomer	Michiko Stuart	Lee-Anne Burnett	
Door Steward	Margaret Smithson	Sue & Bruce Kennedy	
Church Council	Els Mengler	Lee-Anne Burnett	
Bible Reader	Rhondda Tilbrook	Sue Talbert	
Flowers	Keith Bakker	Debbie Thornton	
Morning Tea	Coral Lalich Oli Raynor	Margaret Oliver Marie Yuncken	
Music	Glenn Coughlan - Organ Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Anne van Drunen - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	
Multimedia	Richard Smith	Michael van Drunen	
Media Clicker	Sue Talbert	Els Mengler	

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

### *Prayers*

**From The WA Synod:** Central Wheatbelt group (Tammin and Trayning Uniting Churches) Dowerin and Kalgoorlie-Boulder Uniting Churches

Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress

**Ecumenical Prayer will be for:** Sudan, South Sudan, Uganda

**Our local prayers will be for:** Juniper

### **All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week**

Lectionary Bible Study	Monday, 7 July	2:00pm - Creche
CLC Finance Committee Mtg	Monday, 7 July	4:00pm - Vestry
Confirmation Conversation	Wednesday, 9 July	6:30pm - Manse
CLC Board Meeting	Thursday, 10 July	6:30pm - Undercroft

### *Dear White Peacemakers cont...*

I can't do justice to this beautifully written book in this short space, so I highly recommend you read it or listen to it and journey with Osheta as she seeks to hold your hand as you make the first steps, or more steps, on a journey to becoming a peacemaker.

Looking for a preview? You might like to listen to her talk about the book and some of the ideas here: <https://amyjuliabecker.com/s4-e16-dear-white-peacemakers-with-osheta-moore/>

*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**

## CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

### *News from City Beach Probus Club*



We are very pleased to hear that Ruth White will be inducted into the City Beach Probus Club on Monday, 14 July 2025.

The Club has recently changed to include both male and female members and Ruth is the first female from this church to be inducted. The Club has nine male members from this church and is looking forward to more female members in the future.

### *Mark your calendars for the 2025 Ageing Well Expo*



The annual Ageing Well Expo is back on Friday 11 July and Saturday 12 July from 9.30am to 4.00pm with fun, entertainment and loads of advice to help you age well.

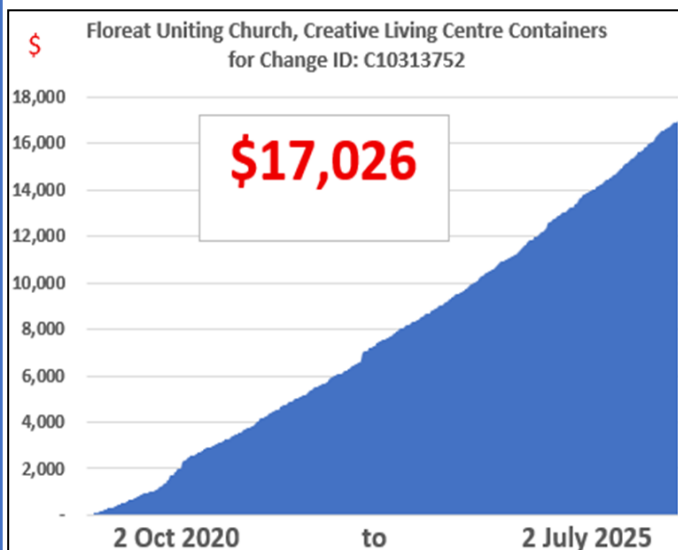
Juniper is proud to be the principal sponsor of the free two-day event happening at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

While entry to the expo is free, ticket registrations are now open via [www.ageingwellexpo.com.au/perth/about](http://www.ageingwellexpo.com.au/perth/about)

For more information about the Expo, visit: <https://www.juniper.org.au/news/mark-your-calendars-for-the-2025-ageing-well-expo>

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### *Thank You*



This week we passed \$17,000 in support of the work of the Black Pearl Network which enables the people of West Papua to learn English. This opens up many employment, business and scholarship opportunities. Every day, on average, \$9.86 is being contributed to

this cause by recycling containers.

Many thanks to all the people at All Saints Floreat Uniting Church, Wembley Downs Uniting Church and Trinity North Uniting Church and to those who make local collections from their surrounding communities. A great collective effort towards our local charity and towards a transition for a linear polluting economy to a net-zero circular economy that in the concluding words of Charles Darwin in 1859 in his “On the Origin of Species”:

*There is grandeur in this view of life, with its several powers, having been originally breathed into a few forms or into one; and that, whilst this planet has gone cycling on according to the fixed law of gravity, from so simple a beginning endless forms most beautiful and most wonderful have been, and are being, evolved.*

***Claire and Richard Smith***

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*International Partnerships and  
Development (IPDC)  
Quiz Night*

*All Saints Floreat Uniting Church  
30th August 2025 - 6:30pm for 7:00pm*

International Partnerships and Development will hold their Quiz Night in support of the new Black Pearl English Academy in Papua on 30 August 2025 and it will be a major fundraiser for the BPN. Doors will open at 6:30 for a 7pm start and we encourage UCA people from all over Perth to attend.

Perhaps Friendship groups could incorporate it into their annual calendar events.

### PERTH INNER CITY YOUTH SERVICES

**Friday 12 July 2025**

**Food Pick-Up City Beach**

**Jean Young 0424 711 673**

**and**

**Lynne Jackson 9446 5319**



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### *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.



### *Reminder*

Please switch your phone to  
silent mode before  
worship begins.

Thank you

### *Preserves for Sale*



A beautiful array of preserves 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.



The Poetry of Farming

# Geoffrey Lilburne Book Launch

Join us at Kalamunda Library, to celebrate the release of Geoffrey Lilburne's new book: *The Poetry of Farming*. His latest book features poetry inspired by over three decades of reflection and writing about the joys and sorrows of a small farmer.

Guests will be treated to a poetry reading, followed by a lovely afternoon tea. Guests will have the opportunity to meet the Poet and pick up a signed copy of his book. Bookings are kindly requested.

Kalamunda Library  
7 Williams Street, Kalamunda  
Friday 11 July 2025  
2:00pm - 3:30pm

\$5

Please visit: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1418465> for tickets

*The Poetry of Farming*

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