

NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2025 - AFTER PENTECOST 15

Neurodiversity

I recently watched a fascinating documentary on the ABC called Inside Our ADHD Minds. The presenter, Chris Packham, spoke with two people with Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)¹. They were invited to create a short video to be shown to their families to help them understand what it was like living with ADHD. It was eye opening to watch the young man depict his every waking moment as being constantly bombarded with random thoughts, represented by having several balls being thrown at him at once, with each ball (thought or idea) sending his mind off in a different direction and distracting him from planned tasks. This was happening all day every day! Can you imagine what that must be like?

Neurodiversity may be a new term for many of you. This is not surprising, as it was only introduced as a concept in the 1990s.

Caroline Miller, in an article for the Child Mind Institute, writes “Neurodiversity” is the concept that there is natural variation in how people’s brains work. The idea is that there’s no “correct” way for the brain to work. Instead, there is a wide range of ways that people perceive and respond to the world, including those with ADHD, autism and learning differences.

Seeing this programme and reading some of the literature describing neurodiversity reminded me that human beings are a complex species made up of a diverse range of wonderful people. This is something we should celebrate and embrace.

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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.

Communion Service 9:30am Sunday, 21 September After Pentecost 15 Rev Zac Cronje		Sunday Service 9:30am Sunday, 28 September After Pentecost 16 Rev Raymond Clee	
Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 Psalms 79:1-9 * 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13 * Included in Service	P.740 P.586 P.263 P.100	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15: Psalms 91:1-6 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31 * Included in Service	P.767 P.594 P.266 P.101
HYMNS SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER			
TiS 406	Spirit Divine, Attend our Prayers		
TiS 134	Praise my Soul the King of Heaven		
SotSS 29	Praying		
TiS 447	What a Friend we Have in Jesus		
	SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER	SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER	
Welcomer	Debbie Thornton	Michiko Stuart	
Door Steward	Zoe Hewitt-Dutton	Keith & Linda Harris	
Church Council	Marie Yuncken	Sue Talbert	
Bible Reader	Lee-Anne Burnett	Helen Bloomfield	
Flowers	Margaret Oliver	Marie Yuncken	
Morning Tea	Jean Read Michiko Stuart	Lee-Anne Burnett Margaret Wolfe	
Music	Christine Ryan - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Anne van Drunen - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	
Multimedia	Rhondda Tilbrook	Richard Smith	
Media Clicker	Deborah Marshall	Lee-Anne Burnett	

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Prayers

From The WA Synod: Synod Standing Committee, the Property Trust, Disaster Relief and Community Recovery Committee and the Synod Standing Appeal Panel.

Ecumenical Prayer will be for: Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay

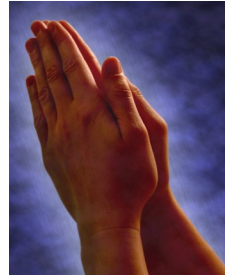
Our local prayers will be for: Bible Studies

All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week

Church Council Meeting	Tuesday, 23 September	6:30pm - Page Room
All Saints Playgroup	Wednesday, 24 September	9:30am - Page Room
KYB (Know Your Bible)	Thursday, 25 September	9:45am - Creche
Crafting for Others	Saturday, 27 September	10am - Page Room

Prayer Chain

If you would like to join All Saints Floreat Prayer Chain or have any prayer requests for the chain please, while Rev Reuben is away, contact Maxine Davies, .



**Sunday Services at All Saints are Live Streamed
and may be viewed via YouTube at 9:30am
each Sunday.**



Offerings

Offerings to All Saints Floreat Uniting Church may be made by bank transfer to:
BSB – 036 063 Account – 122093

CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

Vale Doreen Walters

Doreen Walters, a long-standing member of our church passed away on
Sunday, 7 September 2025

A Funeral Service will be held on Monday, 22 September
at 11:30am at Pinnaroo Cemetery East Chapel
We extend our sympathy to all the Walters family.



Roster: Church Council

Our rosters series continues this week with the Church Council roster.



The first duty of the church councillor is to pray with the minister before the service. This is a moment of calm as the church councillor prays for God's blessing on the minister and our service. Each service of our church begins with a

welcome and announcement by a member of our church council. They also have the privilege of lighting the Christ candles, opening the Bible and pouring the water. Often the church councillor sits next to the minister to lend a hand should anything go amiss during the service (not often but it does happen). Finally, the church councillor processes out during the blessing with the minister and greets members as they leave the service.

If you would like to be part of this important ministry in our services, then you need to nominate to be an Elder or Church Councillor at our next AGM. All confirmed members or members in association are welcome to nominate.

Thank you.

Neurodiversity Cont...

Mark reminds us that when Jesus was asked which of the commandments he considered to be the most important he responded: “The most important one, is this: ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.” (Mark 12: 30-31)

Our recently created Mission Plan reflects the second commandment by including the following: All Saints is place of welcome for all people and our congregation seeks to learn by nourishing and growing people in faith and engage by our care for each other.

As we reflect on the commandment to love one and other equally, I invite you to consider how we might enable our worship to be more welcoming and inclusive of everyone, including neurodiverse individuals.

Debbie Thornton

Elder

¹. Other episodes in the ABC documentary series by Chris Packham include Inside Our Autistic Minds and Inside Our Dyslexic Minds.

Honey Back in Stock

We have received a delivery of honey and you will find it on the top of the foyer in the cupboard along with a beautiful choice of marmalades.

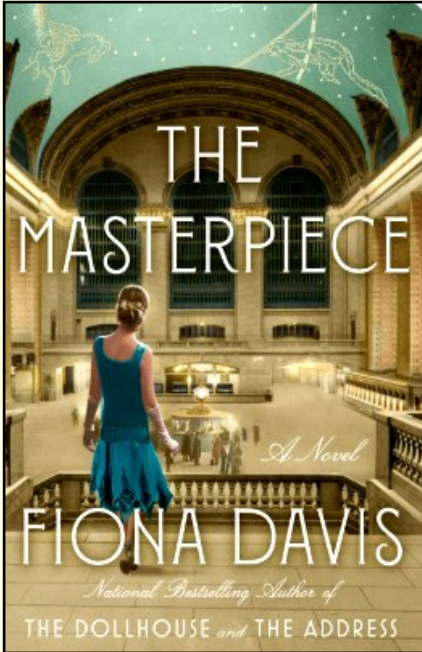
The honey this time is premium Marri/Redgum and is slightly more expensive at \$17 per pot.

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

Thank you.

Book Review

The Masterpiece by Belinda Alexandra



The Masterpiece by Belinda Alexandra is an intriguing novel set initially in 1946 Paris. It follows the stories of Eve Archer and Kristina Belova, alternating between their past personal stories and then their meeting in 1946.

Eve Archer, aged 21 arrives in Paris in 1946 from Australia to meet her father for the first time. Her father has been accused of selling a famous painting to Hitler during the war and murdering its owners. Eve tries desperately to help prove his innocence and the only person who can help her is Kristina Belova, an artist who is suffering from amnesia.

The descriptions of the art world from the 1920s to the end of World War 2 were interesting with art forgeries, the saving of paintings from the Nazis and the restoration of art to its rightful owners after the war.

This novel is a mix of spies, art, Parisian glamour, court trials and heartbreak. The members of the Ladies Bookclub gave the book an average score of 8 out of 10. Well worth reading!!

Rhondra Tilbrook

Introducing Moderator-Elect Rev David Jackson



Rev David Jackson has been named Moderator-Elect of the Synod of Western Australia.

The announcement was made by General Secretary, Rev Dr Andrew Williams, during the Saturday evening business session at the 49th Annual Meeting of the Synod of WA, and received with joyful applause!

To find out more about Rev David Jackson, visit:

[Introducing Moderator-Elect Rev David Jackson - Uniting Church Western Australia](#)

Highlights of Synod 2025 can be found here:

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[WA Synod 2025 - Saturday Highlights - Uniting Church Western Australia](#)

Sunday -

[WA Synod 2025 - Sunday Highlights - Uniting Church Western Australia](#)

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CRAFTING FOR OTHERS

SATURDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2025

10:00AM TO 1:00PM IN THE PAGE ROOM

(AND EVERY FOURTH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH)

**Bring your own materials for your craft or
join in card-making and knitting with others.**

**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

