



# NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER 2025 - AFTER PENTECOST 18

## *Dr Ming Wang's Life Mission*

Earlier this year, while browsing through the list of books my kindle thought I'd like to read, I came across an autobiography entitled 'From Darkness to Sight – A Journey from Hardship to Healing' by



Ming Wang.

Ming Wang was born in 1960 in Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China during the Chinese Cultural Revolution - a time during which many young people were being deported to remote areas to face a life of poverty and hard labour.

As a teenager Ming Wang and his parents did whatever they could to avoid him being deported. When the Cultural Revolution eased, Ming Wang was able to continue his education in China, culminating in a scholarship to America to continue his studies. He had impressed a visiting American professor who facilitated his path to America. He earned a PhD in laser physics and graduated magna cum laude with the highest honors from Harvard Medical School and MIT. He also embraced the Christian faith and the relationship between Christianity and science.

Dr. Ming Wang is a world-renowned laser eye surgeon and philanthropist. He performed the world's first laser-assisted artificial cornea implantation.

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## OUR CHURCH LIFE

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<b>Sunday Service</b> <b>9:30am Sunday, 12 October</b> <b>After Pentecost 18</b> <b>50th Anniversary of Ordination of</b> <b>Rev Margaret Smithson</b>		<b>Sunday Service</b> <b>9:30am Sunday, 19 October</b> <b>After Pentecost 19</b> <b>Rev Marie Wilson</b>	
* Jeremiah 29:4-8 * Psalms 66: Paraphrase 2 Timothy 2:8-15 * Luke 17:11-19  * Included in Service	P.762 P.574 P.268 P.102	Jeremiah 31:27-34 * Psalms 119-97, 97-1104 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 * Luke 18:1-8  * Included in Service	P.766 P.611 P.269 P.103
<b>HYMNS SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER</b>			
TiS 188	Where wide sky touches down		
TiS 640	Kneels at the feet of his friends		
TiS 658	I the Lord of the sea and sky		
TiS 572	O touch who camest from above		
TiS 779	May the feet of God walk with you		
	<b>SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER</b>	<b>SUNDAY 19 OCTOBER</b>	
Welcomer	Lee-Anne Burnett	Rhondda Tilbrook	
Door Steward	Michiko Stuart	Bob Sumner	
Church Council	Deborah Marshall	Sue Talbert	
Bible Reader	Debbie Thornton	Rita Perry Massey	
Flowers	Linda Harris	Keith Bakker	
Morning Tea	Heather Booth Marie Yuncken	Carol Brearley Oli Raynor	
Music	Christine Ryan - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Rachel Brayshaw- Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	
Multimedia	Michael van Drunen	James Millar	
Media Clicker	Rhondda Tilbrook	Sue Talbert	

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

### *Prayers*

**From The WA Synod:** Foothills St Martin's and Kalamunda Uniting Churches, Good Sammy Enterprises and the United Church of Christ in the Philippines

**Ecumenical Prayer will be for:** Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama

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

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

All Saints Playgroup	Wednesday, 15 October	9:30am - Page Room
KIT Group Meeting	Wednesday, 15 October	1:00pm - Vestry
KYB (Know Your Bible)	Thursday, 16 October	9:45am - Creche
All Saints Sing Along	Thursday, 16 October	2:00pm - Hall

### *Dr Ming Wang's Life Mission cont...*

He strongly feels that God gave him a mission to use his abilities to restore sight to people. He says his Christian faith is integral to his work and he prays with his patients before they undergo surgery. He has also been involved in the 7<sup>th</sup> translation of the bible into Chinese.

Ming Wang's life has followed an extraordinary path and led to a career where he seeks to carry out what he believes is his God given mission. It is an inspiring story.

*Jill Heaney*

### *Offerings*



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

## CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

### ***Do you have any Spare Lemons?***



We would like to donate some  
Lemon Butter to the  
YouthCare Chaplaincy Fundraising Stall  
At the Wembley Downs District Fair on  
25 October 2025 (see page for more info.)

Please bring your lemons this Sunday or leave them in the office during  
the week. Thank you.

*Heather Booth*

### ***Pride March - 29 November 2025***

All Saints Floreat Uniting Church will join Equal Voices in the  
Pride March in Perth on 29 November 2025.



To show our support, we will be wearing T-Shirts printed  
with the Uniting Church logo (see photo).

If you would like to participate in the march, please  
complete the order form on the table in the foyer.

The T-Shirts will cost \$35.00 each and will need to be  
ordered by 23 October 2025.

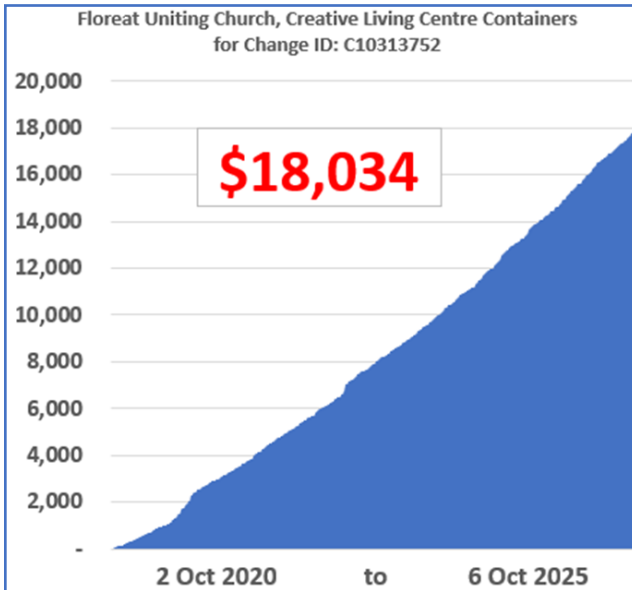
Thank you.



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

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### *Thank You*



This week the total from our Containers for Change passed \$18,000. Almost \$10 a day is being contributed to the work of the Black Pearl Network to assist the people of West Papua to learn English, which opens up employment, business and scholarship opportunities.

Many thanks to the people of the Uniting

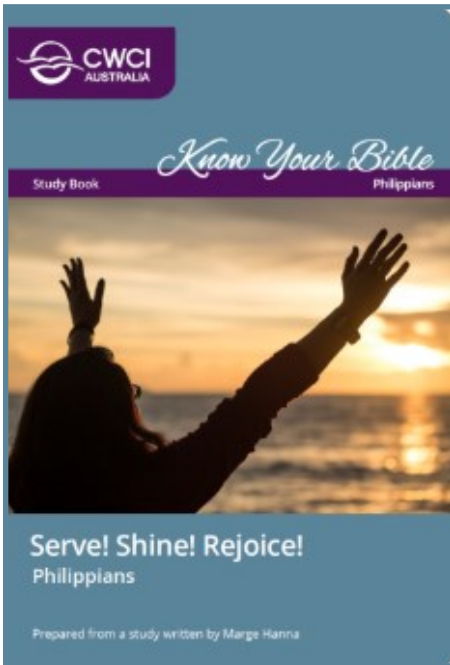
Churches at All Saints Floreat, Wembley Downs and Trinity North and to those making local collections from their surrounding communities.

It is also a great contribution towards transitioning from a linear polluting economy to nature's circular economy where everything is recycled.

Ecclesiastes (The proclaimer) in our Hebrew Scriptures concluded *“Stand in awe of **Nature** and do what it requires of you, for this is the whole duty of humankind. For everything we do **Nature** will bring to judgement, even everything hidden, whether it be good or evil.”* (Lloyd Geering, 2010, *Such is Life: A close encounter with Ecclesiastes*. Page 193-194).

*Richard and Claire Smith*

***KYB (Know Your Bible)***  
***Thursdays - 9.45-11.30 am***  
***(at “All Saints” Uniting Church)***



**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, discussing issues of the day and also sharing 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 4, 2025 commences on  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 9.45am in the Creche with Coffee and  
Introduction to the Study – “Philippians” .**

**All ladies welcome.**

## *Reflections on 50 Years*



My probationary year, and ordination year 1975 was spent as Chaplain at MLC, how Dr Hadley persuaded the Fathers' of the Methodist Conference to allow that I will never know. My ministry at MLC was only to be for one year as I became pregnant with my first child.

The next 8 years were a mixture of part time ministry at Wesley Church, 2 more babies, a period of living in Iraq and one year in supply at Wesley College

In my 10 years as chaplain at PLC the community experienced virtually every form of family tragedy possible. . It was in some of the really rough times that I experienced the care of the staff, I felt wrapped in love. It wasn't all sad, bad and horrible; the staff room was a place of many celebrations, many cakes and lots of laughter. My junior school assemblies were a great source of joy.

From PLC I moved to RPH where I had some very happy years. Although I saw a lot of sadness, I had opportunity to get to know families and patients. The funerals, oh so many funerals, I think 7 in 10 days was my record! Amongst all the sadness there was also lots of laughter

If I have to put one word to my 50 years in ministry, it would be 'privilege'. Privilege at being a part of so many journeys and stories, so many times of happiness at weddings, and sharing sorrow at other times. And baptisms, celebrating new life.

***Rev Margaret Smithson***

***Your Retiring Offering on  
Sunday, 19 October will be for  
Good Sammy***



**Creating employment opportunities for people with  
disability in WA**



***Do You Have a Spare  
Hot Water Urn?***

Our church is looking for another hot water urn after the last one sprang a leak. Before we buy one, I thought I would ask if anyone has one that they don't need any more.

It would be a much appreciated donation.

***Marie Yuncken***



# ALL SAINTS SING ALONG

Our monthly  
Sing Along is  
the perfect  
blend of fun  
and harmony.



Come and sing your  
favourite tunes on the  
third Thursday of every  
month.

2:00pm to 4:00pm

- 16 October
- 20 November
- 18 December

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 Floreat Uniting Church  
48-50 Berkeley Crescent, Floreat

# Covenant in Action

The Covenanting Commission invites  
Uniting Church WA community to participate in a  
Busy Bee.

**Saturday 18 October**

**9.00am to 2.00pm**

**Beananging Kwuurt Institute  
174 Treasure Rd, Queens Park**



Volunteers are needed to help clear rubbish off the site and place in skip bins for removal. This will assist in the development of the site as a Healing Centre for Stolen Generations survivors and their families run by Yokai and BKI.

Volunteers are asked to bring gardening gloves to wear. Come for all or part of the time. Light lunch will be provided.

This is a practical way you can contribute to covenanting, building closer relationships with Nyungar people, working alongside each other on this project.

**To register your attendance on the day contact**

Carolyn Ebell - [ceb15225@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ceb15225@bigpond.net.au)  
or phone 0409 320 041 (after hours)



## CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

### YouthCARE Chaplaincy Fundraising Stall



**Churchlands YouthCARE Council**  
invites you to support our stall @

### Wembley Downs District Fair

Date: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Time: 8:30am - 3:00pm

Venue: Laurie Leckie Park,  
Luita Street, Wembley Downs

**We would love donations of Jams, Chutneys,  
Pickles and Baked Goods (slices, cupcakes, etc.)**

If you can help supply some goods, please contact Robyn, 0455 977 023  
or [lilwi17@hotmail.com](mailto:lilwi17@hotmail.com) or see your Church YouthCARE Council Rep.



The poster features a vibrant, abstract painting in shades of yellow, orange, and blue. In the top left corner is a circular logo with a stylized cross and a red flame. In the top right corner, the words "FREE ENTRY" are written in bold, red, slanted capital letters. The main text is centered and reads: "Trinity School for Seniors" in a white, outlined font, followed by "ART & CRAFT EXHIBITION" in a bold, white, sans-serif font, and "13-16 October 2025" in a large, bold, white, sans-serif font. Below this, the location "Trinity Church Hall" and "72 St Georges Terrace" are listed in a smaller white font, followed by the hours "9am - 3pm Monday to Thursday". At the bottom, the contact information "9483 1333" and "reception@tsfs.org.au" is provided. The background of the poster is the abstract painting, which is signed "Ginette Morin" in the bottom right corner. At the very bottom, there is a small caption "Larapinta Trail (Mixed Media) by Ginette Morin" and a logo for "art belong comm".

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Larapinta Trail (Mixed Media) by Ginette Morin

art belong comm

Trinity School for Seniors (TSFS), one of Perth's best kept secrets amongst the senior community of Perth, is excited to be hosting its annual Art & Craft Exhibition between 13-16 October 2025.

TSFS aims to bring seniors together to experience companionship through learning via the extensive array of classes on offer. The annual Art & Craft Exhibition is one of the main highlights of the Trinity School for Senior's school year, allowing students aged 60+ to showcase their creative talents to the people of Perth – something they might not necessarily be able to do otherwise. Entries in this year's Exhibition will include paintings, drawings, multimedia pieces, needlework and woodwork.

Everyone is invited to come and experience the thriving community hub that TSFS offers. For more info email [reception@tsfs.org.au](mailto:reception@tsfs.org.au) or phone 9483 1333.