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# NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2025 - PRIDE SUNDAY

## *Through Him, All Things*



*by Lauren Wright Pittman*  
*Block print with oil-based ink over*  
*gouache painting.*

As I created this piece, I thought about a prism. I remember the first time I used this seemingly magical, transparent stone. I held it to the light, which I could not see, and to my surprise the light was broken down into the vibrant colours of a rainbow. It was natural for me to think the stone was creating something that

wasn't there, but this medium revealed the complex truth that light is in fact made up of all the colours in existence.

In my image, Jesus is a prism. The light that is life that comes from the Creator shines through Jesus, and it is through him that we can see the fullness and beauty of who God is. It is through him that all of Creation came into being. I decided to paint the colours of the rainbow in the order I learned as a child: ROYGBIV. It was when picking paints that I realized there are seven colours in a simplified rainbow, and there are also seven days of Creation. In this block carving, each of the days of Creation is referenced through simplified patterning in each of the colours of the rainbow.

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## OUR CHURCH LIFE

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<b>Sunday Service</b> <b>9:30am Sunday, 16 November</b> <b>Pride Sunday</b> <b>Rev Reuben Edmonds</b>	<b>Sunday Service</b> <b>9:30am Sunday, 23 November</b> <b>Reign of Christ</b> <b>Rev Josephine Inkin</b> <b>Rev Reuben Edmonds</b>																						
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### HYMNS SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER

Overhead	Praise the Source of All Creation (Tune: TiS 152)
TiS 693	Come As You Are
Overhead	All Colours of the Rainbow (Tune: TiS 153)
Overhead	Sing A New World Into Being (Tune: TiS 392)
TiS 778	Shalom

	SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER	SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER
Welcomer	Lee-Anne Burnett	Carol Brearley
Door Steward	Jill Heaney	Margaret Smithson
Church Council	Marie Yuncken	Debbie Thornton
Bible Reader	Oli Raynor	Marie Yuncken
Flowers	Heather Booth	Heather Booth
Morning Tea	Margaret Wolfe Marie Yuncken	Lee-Anne Burnett Els Mengler
Music	Christine Ryan - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Geoff Hadley - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin
Multimedia	James Millar	Michael van Drunen
Media Clicker	Deborah Marshall	Rhondda Tilbrook

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### *Prayers*

**From The WA Synod:** Esperance, Katanning, and Kojonup Uniting Churches.  
Synod of Queensland

**Ecumenical Prayer will be for:** Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia

**Our local prayers will be for:** Friendship Groups

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

Lectionary Bible Study	Monday, 17 November	2:00pm - Page Room
All Saints Playgroup	Wednesday, 19 November	9:30am - Page Room
KIT (Keeping in Touch) Group	Wednesday, 19 November	1:00pm - Vestry
KYB (Know Your Bible)	Thursday, 20 November	9:45am - Creche
Sing Along	Thursday, 20 November	2:00pm - Hall
Arafura Yarning (See Page 6)	Thursday, 20 November	6:00pm - Online

### *Through Him, All Things cont...*

It is through Christ that all things came to being, and it is through him that we experience the abounding saturation of God, who chose to dwell among us.

Like light through a prism, the glory of God refracts through the multifaceted life of each and every human being, creating a picture of the divine that is as varied and beautiful as there are colours in existence. In this image, the rainbow also echoes the full spectrum of humanity and celebrates the image of God that is present—not only in every human, but in every facet of Creation.

—*Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman*

### *Offerings*



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



## *Pride Parade Registration for Equal Voices WA Float*

**This year the annual Pride Parade in Northbridge takes place on the 29<sup>th</sup> of November and you are invited to join the Equal Voices WA walking float.**

Participants are asked to arrive between 6 and 7pm. The Parade starts at 8pm and moves along at a slow walking pace. The whole parade is just under 1km long. We are float 57 which is pretty good so we won't have to wait too long after the parade starts to begin walking. It's free to join our float but we only have 50 places as the whole parade has nearly 6000 participants! If you would like to join the Equal Voices WA float please fill out the details in the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/equalvoiceswaparade25> this will enable us to send through more information about where you need to go to access the float form up area.

Any issues please just come and ask me or send me an email.

This year, Equal Voices WA is speaking out in support of the bill to ban conversion practices which will be announced during Pride and hopefully



*Pride Parade 2024 Equal Voices Walking Float*

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made into law before the end of the year.

We are always very positively received by the crowds watching on and a Christian voice supporting the bill will be an important public message. So come along and join this wonderful event as Equal Voices WA declares to all those marching and watching the parade that they are loved by God just as they are.

*Rev Reuben*  
*Convenor of Equal Voices WA*

### *Extending Our Welcome*



On Sunday mornings after worship the hall is buzzing with fellowship as many of you catch up about your week or even discuss the sermon you just heard over tea or coffee and some delicious food. However, for some that buzz is isolating as they can't hear any single voice through the many in the background.

To provide an alternative, the wonderful morning tea folks are going to set up one table in the Page Room for those with hearing aids that require a quieter room to be able to talk to someone. There will be limited seating, so please continue using the hall if you currently can but also feel welcome to join those in the Page room if a spare seat is available. We hope this will help everyone to feel able to join us for morning tea and experience the warm welcome of All Saints Floreat Uniting Church.

Please let me or one of the Elders know if there is anything we can do that you think will help more members of our community feel more welcome.

*Rev Reuben*

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### *Arafura Yarning Group*

On Thursday 20th November at 6pm there will be a meeting of the new Arafura Yarning group online. The group is a meeting of interested people in both Papua and Australia via the "Teams" app. For our first gathering there were 29 people online from Australia, USA, Rwanda and Papua. Last month 48 people tuned in for a chat and although quite chaotic, it was a joyful opportunity to chat and share ideas and stories. The Yarning group has been set up to promote cross-cultural relationships and to give our Papuan English students an opportunity to speak and listen to English.

If you would like to join us online all you need to do is to download the Teams app prior to the meeting and to email Lee-Anne Burnett and inform her of your intention to join. Lee-Anne will then email the link to you on the Monday prior to the gathering and you will be all set to go. If you wish to speak on this month's theme of Holidays or Christmas, please email Lee-Anne so that she can allocate you an opportunity to speak. Stories must be no more than 3 minutes long and speakers need to be careful to speak slowly and clearly so that beginner English students have a chance to decipher your speech. For more information or to request the link, email Lee-Anne at [dunlee4@gmail.com](mailto:dunlee4@gmail.com).

### *Do You Have any Clean Jars??*



The preserve makers are in need of small to medium size jars. If you have any in your cupboard, please consider donating them.

Please remove all labelling before bringing the jars to church. Thank you.

## ***Congregational Meeting Sunday, 30 November 2025***

A Congregational Meeting will be held after worship on Sunday, 30 November 2025.

Business to be addressed is as follows:

- 2026 Budget
- Presentation of Expenditure Policy
- 2026 Church Council Goals

Morning Tea will be served in the Sanctuary.

We encourage all members of our congregation to attend.

## ***Save the Date!!! Christmas Services***

**\*Tuesday, 16 December - Carol Service - 7:00pm**

**\*Sunday, 21 December - Blue Christmas - 5:00pm**

**\*Thursday, 25 December - Christmas Day Service - 9:00am**

For our Carol Service, we have an 8-person choir, and organist and conductor, Angela Currie.

Angela is kindly volunteering her time for the service. However we are providing a fee for each of our choristers. We are keen to enable this to be a free event for all who come.

**If you are able, donations towards the cost of the choir would be appreciated. Please include 'choir' in the description of an electronic donation or you can donate via the church offering on Sunday in a marked envelope or pay by card. Thank you for your support.**

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# *Thursday Fellowship Christmas Gift Bag Appeal 2025 Supporting Uniting Aid*



Thank you to everyone who has made such a magnificent effort in filling their Christmas Gift Bags.

**If you still have a bag to return, please leave it in the church office by Wednesday, 20 November.**

Any questions, please contact Amanda Brown 0434 260 117

## *All Saints Sing Along Thursday, 20 November*

Come and sing your favourite tunes on Thursday, 20 November commencing at 2:00pm in the Church Hall.

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