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NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2025 - ADVENT 1



Zechariah and the Angel by Hannah Garrity Inspired by Luke 1:5-13 Paper lace & graphite drawing, backed with cyanotype print.

Within the political landscape of Herod's time, hope was not on the horizon—that's the point. And Elizabeth had been barren for many years. This miracle visited her—in her body, in her womb— because it was so unexpected.

In this piece, I imagine the angel in a female form arriving close to Zechariah in the darkened Temple, surprising him by her presence. His reaction is a fearful one in this image. He leans away, squints his eyes, and covers his head. He protects himself from her, from her presence, from her power, from her words, from her gaze. He hides. The incense swirls around them. In contrast to his fear, her message is one of hope: long-yearned-for-joy and family security. Here the angel's message is represented by the doves and the stars. Her message flows into his space with the same power that invoked his fear. I imagine Zechariah lets his guard down then, and listens to her in shock. I imagine he takes in her words, lets his arm down, meets her gaze, and holds onto joy, despite his ongoing apprehension.

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 Sunday, 30 November Advent 1 Rev Reuben Edmonds			Communion Service 9:30am Sunday, 7 December Advent 2 Rev Reuben Edmonds		
Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:36-44 * Luke 1:5-13 * Lamentations 3:55-57 * Included in Service		P.671 P.617 P.201 P.36 P.72 P.797	Isaiah 11:1-10 P.679 Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 P.580 Romans 15:4-13 P.202 Matthew 3:1-12 P.5 * Matthew 11:1-11 P.16		
Hymns Sunday 30 November					
Overhead	The Candle of Hope (Tune: TiS 133)				
TiS 647	Comfort Comfort				
TiS 184	When Trouble Strikes (Tune: TiS 124)				
TiS 687	God Gives Us a Future				
TiS 778	Shalom				
	SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER SUNDAY 7 DECEMBER		CEMBER		
Welcomer	Lee-Anne Burnett			Debbie Thornton	
Door Steward	Jean Read			Mavis Coughlan	
Church Council	Debbie Thornton			Els Mengler	
Bible Reader	Lillian Hadley			Margaret Smithson	
Flowers	Margaret Oliver			Marie Yuncken	
Morning Tea	Carol Brearley Margaret Oliver			Coral Lalich Margaret Smithson	
Music	Rachel Brayshaw - Piano Geoff Hadley - Piano		Rachel Brayshaw - Organ Joseph Lunardi - Violin		
Multimedia	Rhondda Tilbrook			Richard Smith	
Media Clicker	Lee-Anne Burnett			Michael van Drunen	

OUR CHURCH LIFE

Prayers

From The WA Synod: Wagin Group (Darkan, Dumbleyung and Wagin

Uniting Churches. Hope Community Services Inc.

Ecumenical Prayer will be for: Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore

Our local prayers will be for: Breakfast Club and Lake Monger Primary School

All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week					
Congregational Meeting	Sunday, 30 November	Immediately After Worship			
Lectionary Bible Study	Monday, 1 December	2:00pm - Page Room			
All Saints Playgroup	Wednesday, 3 December	9:30am - Page Room			

Zechariah and the Angel by Hannah Garrity cont...

In this image, I placed my paper lace over a cyanotype print, which is created using photosensitive paper, objects, and sunlight. The cyanotype didn't work the first time; I had to paint the light-sensitive solution again and then expose the print for longer in brighter daylight. I really needed plexiglass to hold my branches and leaves tightly to the paper, but I didn't have it. Nonetheless, the final print reflected the flow of energy in this text.

The movement in the cyanotype is horizontal—perfect for the lateral conversation between the angel and Zechariah. Pine needles created shapes that appear to reiterate the angel's words as they are leaving her mouth toward Zechariah's ear. These words, this unexpected and miraculous hope, are the focal point in the text and the art. In the cyanotype, there are deep blues with silhouettes of leaves and stems, but nothing so powerful as these words, these pine needles creating a high-contrast focal point. God is breaking in.

Hannah Garrity

Christmas Cakes and Mince Pies Delivery



Christmas Cakes will be available for collection at the church on Sunday, 7 December.

Thank you to those who have paid already. Please see Marie if you still need to pay.

If you cannot make 7 December, you can collect either from the office or ring Marie on 0410 061 279 to arrange collection elsewhere or at other times.

Your Retiring Offering next week Sunday, 7 December will be for Christmas Bowl



Each December, All Saints Floreat Uniting Church supports the ongoing work of the World Council of Churches by giving our December Retiring Offering and Christmas Day Offering to the Act for Peace Christmas Bowl. Your offerings will help support communities around the world affected by conflict and disaster.

If you are making a donation by post or transfer, please include the code CB-A45800 As this will ensure your donation is attributed to All Saints Floreat Uniting Church.

We will be joined by Carmen-Lee Myers, Lead Campaign Manager for the Christmas Bowl on Sunday, 7 December, to tell us more about the impact of your giving.

For more information, contact Bob Sumner on 0439 875 818.

Would you like to make a difference with a primary school student?



Floreat Park Primary School is seeking more caring adults to work with students who

could benefit from having another adult as part of their lives?

Would you be able to fill this role by spending one hour per week with a student at the school?

The Kids Hope Program, which is one of the outreach programs of All Saints, is a structured program which provides initial training for Mentors and on an ongoing basis provides resources and suggestions for how to engage with students. During the hour a Mentor meets with their specific child they can do some academic work as well as activities such as playing games, doing puzzles or craft, or exploring the school grounds.

If you would like to know more about how you can help, please speak to Amanda Brown, Richard Smith or Rhondda Tilbrook.

Vale Rev Margaret Greenhill

Rev Margaret Greenhill, a long-standing member of our church passed away recently.

We extend our sympathy to all the Greenhill family.





Join us at
All Saints Floreat UC
this Christmas Season.
All are welcome.

FESTIVAL OF CAROLS
TUESDAY, 16 DECEMBER
7:00PM

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE SUNDAY, 21 DECEMBER 5:00PM

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE THURSDAY, 25 DECEMBER 9:00AM



Notice to All Saints Floreat Carers

Please note that Christmas Cards are now available. Please pick up your packages for members under your care. Envelopes are available if required.

Thank you.

Donations towards Cost of Choir for Festival of Carols Tuesday, 16 December

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.

Call for Volunteers to Join the Media Roster

As many of you know, at All Saints Floreat we stream all our services. This is a wonderful way for people to attend our service from afar or while ill. However, this service requires volunteers to run the sound and adjust the camera. It is simpler than you think and the iPad is easy to use. I encourage you to answer this call and speak with our Media coordinator, Rhondda Tilbrook.

You would be welcome to sit alongside one of our volunteers during a service to see how it works.

Thank you.

Rev Reuben



Thursday, 18 December
2:00pm

Including Christmas Songs and Carols

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 Uniting Church 48-50 Berkeley Crescent, Floreat



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WEET-BIX & ROLLED OATS
TO CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY