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### **SUNDAYS**

- All age Worship Service @ 9:30 AM
- KUCA\* (Sunday School) during school terms
- CONNECT family ministry 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 4:30PM
  - \*Kids of Uniting Church in Australia

## **MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER**

"A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (John 4:5-42)

At the time of Jesus' ministry, religious differences affected how different people groups physically interacted. Samaritans' beliefs and practices had long clashed with Jewish ones. It was unacceptable at the time for Jesus to drink from this woman's water jug, as it would infect him with uncleanness. By the well in the heat of that day, Jesus (who was a Jew) was doing much more than asking for a drink of water. He was taking the first vulnerable step in crossing well-worn prejudices, opening the way for relationship across barriers to begin.

Nowadays, differences in beliefs can at times cause open air arguments around an afternoon barbeque, or eggshell-walking silence. Both can result in the fracturing of relationships. How might we bravely take the first, vulnerable steps with our Lord, who showed us the way to grow and heal relationships, instead?

Grace and peace,

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Our Op Shop is a treasure trove for those who relish a bargain, want to benefit the environment by utilising recycled goods, appreciate finding unique pieces and desire to benefit their community. With items ranging from clothing to furniture to jewellery and books, there is something in our Op Shop for everyone at great prices! Part of the ministry of our church is that it is able to utilise funds from the Op Shop to support the welfare arm of the church which is to assist families who are in need.

Our Managers and volunteers play a dual role in the Op Shop. On the one hand, they serve the community through providing items at a reasonable price, but they are also there to have a chat with those who come and have need of a friendly face and a listening ear. This is a ministry we are blessed to provide.

The Op Shop is open from Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm and Saturdays, from 9:00am to noon.

Lectionary Readings for March 12, 2023 LENT 3			
Exodus 17:1-7			
Psalm 95			
Romans 5:1-11			
John	4:5-42		
Lectionary Readings for March 19, 2023 LENT 4			
1 Samuel	16:1-13		
Psalm	23		
Ephesians	5:8-14		
John 9:1-41			



# Volunteers at UEL, March 25, 10am-1pm

Can you cook a sausage? Can you serve a sausage with a smile? Tara is looking for a few helpers on March 25th, 10am-1pm, to assist at UEL Forest Lake (Child Care Centre). It is their Open Day for new families with underschool-age children and we would love to show our support. Please see Tara.





IF YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE
ONLINE PLEASE USE
OUR DETAILS BELOW.
NAME:
COMMUNITY LIFE
UNITING CHURCH
BSB: 638 060
ACCOUNT NO:
16115848





"VERY RARELY WILL ANYONE DIE FOR A RIGHTEOUS PERSON, THOUGH FOR A GOOD PERSON SOMEONE MIGHT POSSIBLY DARE TO DIE BUT GOD DEMONSTRATES HIS OWN LOVE FOR US IN THIS: WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS, CHRIST DIED FOR US.

### **COMMUNITY PANTRY NEEDS:**

- Milk
- Cereal
- Rice
- Instant Noodles

Please drop items off in the church collection tub or deliver to Leanne in the church office on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday.

Calendar Dates to note:			
Sunday, March 12	CONNECT for families 5:00 - 6:30pm		
Saturday, March 18	Emmaus Gathering @ Community Life Uniting Church 5.30pm BYO dinner 6.30pm Service		
Sunday, March 19	Pastoral Carers Meeting 3pm at Chatz (afternoon tea provided)		
Sunday, March 26	CONNECT for families 5:00 - 6:30pm		

Our Community Pantry stock is very low!! If each of us are able to donate 1-2 items each it would make a huge difference. We have had a big increase in requests for provision of food from the community and all donations are appreciated. Items can be brought to church on Sunday or dropped off at the church office in the Op Shop building on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday to Leanne. D♥nate N♥W

For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink."

#### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

**Council Chairperson:** Mr Greg Braithwaite **0**0438 182 639

Secretary: Mrs Leanne Crick Treasurer: Mrs Debbie Giebel

Church Council congregation reps: Darren Crick, Richard Davis, Vicki Taylor

Greg Braithwaite, Lorraine Christian, Leanne Crick, Gail Edoni,

Pam Kerr, Olive Phillips

### **COME ALONG AND JOIN A GROUP**

TIME	GROUP	LOCATION	CONTACT
MONDAY 9:30 - 11:00AM DURING SCHOOL TERMS	CHAT 'N PLAY playgroup for pre-school age children & babies with their parent/carer	CHATZ playground	Tara R 0429 936 964
MONDAY 6:45 - 8:45PM	LADIES BIBLESTUDY	OP SHOP sorting room	Leanne C 0403 860 074
MONDAY 7:00 - 8:45PM	MENS BIBLESTUDY	CHATZ	lan Smallbone 0413 415 114
WEDNESDAY (9:30AM COFFEE & CHAT) 10:00 - 11:30AM	LADIES BIBLESTUDY	Leichhardt Building (Church Hall)	Pam K 0413 316 737
THURSDAY 6:30 - 7:00PM	PRAYER GROUP 700M meeting		Rev Emma 0429 472 567
SUNDAY 9:30 - 10:45AM DURING SCHOOL TERMS	<b>KUCA</b> Kids of Uniting Church in Australia (Sunday School)	KUCA Room (Prep - Yr6)	Melloney B 0412 024 458

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<b>Ms Ruth Wall</b> Gardener	Ms Rebekah Kruger Cleaner

WEEKLY ROSTERS							
DATE	TYPE OF SERVICE	BIBLE READER	MEET & GREET	COUNT	FLOWERS	MORNING TEA	KUCA
12TH MARCH	REGULAR	LEANNE C	IVAN & URSULA	SAM & RICHARD D	SALOTE	TUINONA FAMILY	P-3 MELLONEY & TUYEN 4-6 GLENDA & TOBY
19TH MARCH	REGULAR COMMUNION	ROSS K	BARRY & JUDITH	DENNIS & ▼ICKI	TASI	O'HANLON FAMILY	P-3 MELLONEY & TBA 4-6 GLENDA & TOBY