

Welcome to our Multicultural Church

11 February 2024

Monthly Newsletter

There will not be a monthly newsletter for February 2024 for various reasons. In lieu ,I have made this normal weekly news sheet into a 4 page newsletter to make sure you are kept up-to-date with your church's important news.

PRUC Special Council Meeting, Wednesday, 7 February 2024

The special Council meeting was called by George C., following Heather S's resignation on the 5th February. The following proposals were made and accepted by consensus.

- Heather is to continue to be the Acting Chair of the Church Council until a new one is elected at the next AGM and she has agreed to do that. The Council acknowledges her contribution since she assumed the role of the Acting Chair of the Council.
- The AGM scheduled on 18 February 2024 is to be postponed to a later date to allow more time of nominations of candidates to the Church Council. The Chair is asked to report this decision to the Presbytery/Synods & the congregation.

Annual General Meeting of the Congregation

This morning (8 February) after consultation with Rev. Jim Winn, it was decided that the AGM will be Sunday, 24 March 2024 after the worship service, in the hall as we have our morning tea.

We will have elections for Church Council. Please consider prayerfully being on the Council as the church will not run itself.

Heather Schubert—Acting Chair CC

Profile of our Supply/Interim Minister

Hello! Let me introduce myself.

My name is Jim Winn and I'm your interim minister at Payneham Road UC for the next three months.

I was ordained at Maughan Methodist Church on October 17th, 1973. My first appointment was to the Peterborough-Yongala Methodist Circuit until December 1976. After that I was the Pastor of the South Walpole United Methodist Church, in Walpole, Massachusetts, USA from January 1977 to June 1985. While at South Walpole UMC I



also undertook study at Boston University School of Theology. My next position was as Uniting Church Chaplain at Flinders University from January 1986 to December 1996. Following that I was Minister at Walkerville-Greenacres Parish from January 1997 to December 2006 and then my final appointment was half time as Chaplain at Aldersgate Aged Care and half time as Minister at Kensington Gardens UC. I retired from full time ministry in 2010 and my wife and I have lived at Woodcroft since then.

My wife's name is Vivien and we have three adult children and four grandchildren. Our oldest daughter, Tiffany, is a speech pathologist, our son, Rhys, is a bio-medical engineer, and our youngest daughter, Benita, is a radiologist.

Vivien is, among other things, a church organist and plays regularly, on a roster, at Seacliff UC which is our home church. She is rarely able to accompany me when I am away from Seacliff UC.

I'm a keen bike rider. I ride an e-bike and I ride with a group based at Seacliff UC called, "Cogs and Coffee."

With regard to church life my two passions are worship and social justice. I believe that worship is "the work of the people" so most of the services I plan include significant involvement by the congregation through responsive readings and prayers. I do not like services which are basically spiritual entertainment or a ministerial talkfest. My passion for social justice comes from the conviction that the Spirit of God engenders a sense of community which respects our common humanity through reconciliation and respect and also from the conviction that God constantly calls his/ her community to actively shape the world in which we live so that it is more like the world God desires.

I hope that this gives you some useful insight into who I am and what I aspire to for PRUC. I certainly am looking forward to working with you all over the next three months. Please feel free to be in touch with me at anytime. If I am able to help or offer support I will do my best to do so.

Grace and peace, Jim Winn

Church Family News



Please remember in your prayers: Renee, Betty N., John & Heather, Lyle S., Judy R., Ray W., Dennis H, Nessie, Jan C., Jackie, Peter T. (organist)

You are invited by Lorin, Soonwha and Youngsoon to the celebration of their 50th birthdays.

Please join these lovely ladies to celebrate the triple 50th Birthday. The party will be in the church hall at 5:30pm,Saturday, 17 February. Just bring your own drinks. Finger food provided. Please RSVP to Sue by 15 February.



February Birthdays

9th Lorin

16th Norma S

17th Steven Z



18th Sarah K & Rachel M 26th Soonhwa Y 27th Mac M

Please note: Youngsoon's birthday is 6 March.

Congregational Database

Especially for emergencies, it is essential that the church database is kept up to date. It would be most helpful if you would let me know if you have changed your **home address**, **email address**, **phone numbers** and **emergency contacts/phone numbers** in the **last 7** 1/2 **years**. Your information will be held in a private database and will not be shared with anyone other than the minister without your permission. Only phone numbers and email addresses will be in the Congregation Directory, which I am also trying to update. Please also let me know if you no longer have a landline so I can delete the number from the directory. Emergency contacts/numbers will be kept in a place where appointed persons will know in a case of emergency.

Counting the offering

Thank you to Lois who is now happy to be on the roster to count the offering. I am hoping some more people will volunteer their time, once a month or less so the same people don't have to do it every week. Please send me an email or give me a call if you thing you could do it! Sharon.

Diary Dates

Sunday 11 February 2024 10.00am Worship with Steve Roder 10.15am Sunday School

Thursday 15 February 2024 9.30am Coffee, Chat & Craft

Saturday 17 February 2024 5.30pm 50th birthday party in the hall

Sunday 18 February 2024

10.00am Worship with Rev. Jim Winn10.15am Sunday School

Uniting Communities Food Bank

We continue to donate food and toiletries for Uniting Communities at Enfield. Please place only non-perishable foods in the grey box in the church foyer, i.e. cans, jars, UHT contained foods etc.

Empty Bottles and Cans

If you need to get rid of your empty bottles and cans, place them in the bin with a hole in it outside the church kitchen.

Worship Roster

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	11 February	18 February	25 February
Minister/preacher Flowers Organist Sound System Helper Welcome, Offering Bible Reader Offering Count Morning Tea	Steve Roder Lois Noel Vincent Bill Lois, Val Val Heather, TBA Elaine, Margaret, Jan S.	Rev. Jim Winn Leh Casey Vincent Heather Leh, Daniel S. Daniel S. TBA Jennifer, Kelly, Richard	Rev. Doug Hosking Ailini Peter Vincent Russell Val, George George TBA Soonwha, Vincent Richard
Bible Readings			
11 February 18 Transfiguration of Jesus		18 February Lent 1	25 February Lent 2
Psalm 50:1-6		eneses 9:8-17 ?salm 25:1-10 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15	Geneses 17:1-7 Psalm 22:23-31 Romans4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38 or 9:2-9

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