



Welcome to our Multicultural Church

17 March 2024 –Lent 5

Church Family News



Please remember in your prayers: Renee, Betty N., John & Heather, Judy R., Ray W., Dennis H, Nessie, Jan C., Jackie, Margaret W., Pam S. and Meng who has injured his shoulders while on holiday in Melbourne.

Dennis H would also like to express his appreciation for messages of support he has received during his recent hospitalisation.

He is Risen

Easter Service Times

Good Friday 9.00 am
Easter Sunday 10.00am

LENT EVENT: **1 week to go!!!** COST OF A CUP OF COFFEE

Bring your coffee cup with your donation to the service on **Easter Day**. They will be blessed and the money used for this years Lent Event, which is to assist with the work being done (particularly in smaller Pacific Countries) as they deal with the effects of Climate Change. If you would rather make your donation online, please see the bank details below.



Importantly, please show the reference as "LENT".

PAYNEHAM ROAD UNITING CHURCH

BSB: 035-039. ACCOUNT: 546 959



PRUC Church Council Report January and February/March meetings 2024

Members continuing from the previous year's Council were Heather Schubert (now Acting Chair), Val Watkinson, Russell Sheldrick, Woody Lee and George Chin. Meng Kheng Tan was an apology.

The main focus of discussions during both meetings was on the financial status of our church. Carole Lyons (PRUC Financial Coordinator) attended the meetings and gave the financial reports – there was initially some confusion over figures given in January and these were corrected by Carole at the March meetings. It was clear that we are operating on a deficit budget and this will be outlined in more detail during the Congregational AGM to be held on March 24th. It has been confirmed that we need to increase our income and decrease expenses where possible. We have currently increased Hall hiring fees and are negotiation with Hooker's to increase property rents for Williamson Hall, The Cottage and the Sheds. The hiring fee for the Liberated Church of Christ who uses our Church on Sunday afternoons has also been increased.

Following Rev. Do Young Kim's resignation in October 2023, Synod has contracted a supply minister to PRUC - Rev. Jim Winn – who commenced a 3 month placement on February 1st. Sharon (our Administrator) and Heather have been meeting with Jim regularly on Thursday mornings to orient him to PRUC and its members. Jim is using his own phone number and email address and utilises the vestry office. Dates have been confirmed for his fortnightly Sunday services – and he has commenced visiting members. Rosters are now a little easier for Sharon to arrange for visiting preachers for the weekly services. As we have had no response as yet, to employing a permanent part time minister to replace Rev. Do Young Kim, we have commenced making arrangements to extend Rev. Jim Winn's

contract for another 3 months from the end of April to include May, June and July 2024.

Problems with homeless people establishing themselves on church property were experienced over Christmas and early in the New Year - but have now been resolved.

The major flood at the rear of the cark park experienced after a severe rainstorm late last year, was of major concern. Possible expensive solutions were considered but ultimately Noel Tiver volunteered to provide a low cost solution that is working well so far – but the real test will come in winter. The office printer ceased working recently and we are currently exploring either repairs or the purchase of a new one. The church email system is also causing Sharon some problems and we are negotiating with Steven Zhang to improve this or transfer to a new provider. Due to Sharon's increased work load due to ministerial changes, we are requesting Synod to increase her hours from 4 to 5 hours/week.

The Manse is now empty and Jan Carpenter has reviewed repairs and renovations necessary before we can rent this out – until it is required by a potential new minister in the future. Indications are that this will prove rather costly and Carole is being kept aware of possible expenses. Bill, Val and other church members are being asked to help with minor repairs and in making necessary arrangements to have other work completed as quickly as possible. We have confirmed a family who will rent the property from the end of April - bringing in some welcome income. Elections for the 2024 Council will occur on March 24th and we currently have eight nominations for Council including elders as listed elsewhere – you will be asked to accept their nomination at the AGM.

Don't forget to bring in your mugs with your Lenten offering on Easter Sunday!

This will be my last report as Acting Council

Chairperson – although I plan to still remain on Council for another year. Thanks for your support over the last difficult 4-5 months after both Rev. Do Young Kim and Lesley Warner resigned from their key roles in the church at short notice late last year.

Heather Schubert
Acting Church Council Chair

Annual General Meeting of the Congregation

As mentioned in the previous report, the AGM of the congregation will be held on 24 March after the worship service. At this important meeting you will be electing members of Church Council and Elders, “leadership in the church”.

The support the following members that have been nominated or renominated for Church Council:

Bill, George, Heather, Leh, Rochelle, Soonwha Sangwoon (Woody) and Val.

Heather will be continuing as an elder and Sunjung (Sue) has nominated as an elder.

During March we wish the following people a very happy birthday!

Richard (2)
Youngsoon (6) 50th birthday!
Brenton (13)
Hannah (22) 13th birthday!
Judy R. (24)
Michelle P. (31)

Singing Group



Every Saturday from 10:30 to 11:30 at the church - bring your favourite song and practice it with us. All are welcome to join us. Contact Sue from more information.

UC E-news

International Mission Update - PROK Korean Partnership

Rev Do Young Kim has sent news of the installation of Na Moksanim (Rev Banghwan Na) as the new PROK Iksan Presbytery Chairperson for the next 12 months. Na Moksanim has been a long-serving member of the Iksan overseas mission committee, making several visits to Adelaide and has been a fabulous host to Uniting Church in SA delegations to Iksan. He has planted new churches for people with disabilities and established a coffee shop and meeting room in an office block that is remotely operated and carries Christian messages of Hope and Life. The Korean International Mission partnership support group is meeting on March 17th at 2.00 pm at Colonel Light Gardens Uniting Church.



Diary Dates

Sunday 17 March 2024

10.00am Worship with Rev. Doug Hosking
10.15am Sunday School

Thursday 21 March 2024 - Harmony Day

9.30am Coffee, Chat & Craft

Sunday 24 March 2024

10.00am Worship with Rev. Jim Winn
10.15am Sunday School

Friday 29 March 2024 - Good Friday

9.00am Worship Service with Rev. Jim Winn

Sunday 31 March 2024 - Easter Day

10.00am Worship with Rev. Doug Hosking

Multicultural Morning Tea

Saturday mornings with James. See James for more information.

Uniting Communities Food Bank

Please don't forget 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.

Worship Roster

	17 March	24 March	29 March Good Friday
Minister/preacher	Rev. Doug Hosking	Rev. Rev. Jim Winn	Rev. Rev. Jim Winn
Flowers	Val	Lois	N/A
Organist	Casey	Peter	Peter
Sound System	Richard	Richard	Richard
Helper	Heather	Bill	Heather
Welcome, Offering	Sue, Daniel L.	Val, Heather.	Rochelle, TBA.
Bible Reader	Daniel L.	Heather	Heather
Offering Count	Jess, George	Rochelle, Sue	N/A
Morning Tea	TBA	Soonwha, Vincent	N/A

Bible Readings

17 March Lent 5	24 March Palm Sunday	29 March Good Friday
Jeremiah 31:31-34	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalms 51:1-2 or 119:9-16	Psalms 31:-16	Psalms 22
Hebrews 5:5-10	Philippians 2:5-11	Hebrews 10:16-25 or 4:14-16,5:7-9
John 12:20-33	Mark 14:1-15:17 or 15:1-39	John 18:1-19:42

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