

What's on This Week?

Sunday 6th	Epiphany 5
9.30am	Worship
Tuesday 8th	
8.30am - 4.00pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
10.00am	Bible Fellowship
Wednesday 9th	
8.30am - 4.00pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
Thursday 10th	
9.30am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
4.00pm	Joint Nominating Committee
Saturday 12th	
8.00am	Prayer Breakfast
9.30am	Pastoral Care meeting
Sunday 13th	Epiphany 6
9.30am	Worship
	NCLS Survey
6.00pm	SLCEA Service

For You to Note

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP GROUP - This Tuesday 8 February at Brodies, meeting at 10 am. Study 9 in the booklet, looking at Revelation 12-13.

SOUTHLAKES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - Interdenominational Service 6 pm next Sunday 13 February - Avondale Memorial SDA Church, 584-586 Freemans Drive, Cooranbong. Please join us as the 2022 school year begins and children are challenged as they learn about Jesus. A light supper will be served at the conclusion of the service. For more information, please contact Desiree on 0407 581 343.

NCLS - Next week you will be asked to complete the National Church Life Survey during worship (or take details to complete at home or online later). Churches from all denominations around Australia are participating. The survey is completely anonymous, but it helps to provide a "snapshot" of church life, the health of our churches, and the directions we are heading, and is enormously helpful in planning for the future. To prepare for the survey, we would ask that during the coming week you would give some thought to your own church commitment, what is important

to you, how well you think the local church is doing, and the direction our church is taking.

Some of the questions you may be asked are to do with issues such as:

- your own involvement;
- what aspects of church life do you value most;
- whether our church has a clear vision or direction;
- whether there is good communication about what is happening;
- what priorities should we be pursuing.

The survey should take about 20 minutes, and time will be allowed towards the end of the service for you to complete it. For any questions, see Bruce Edgell or Bob Starling.

RED DOVE CHOIR REHEARSALS

As singing is not allowed at the moment, we will now commence rehearsals on Wednesday 2nd March, 2pm, subject to Covid restrictions at that time. It is hoped that masks will no longer be necessary after the end of February and social distancing, hopefully, should also be abolished. So many people have said that they need to be close to someone singing the same part when it comes to harmonising. In the meantime, let's have another lunch together so we can renew friendships. This will be on Wednesday 16th February, 12 noon at Rathmines Bowling Club. I hope to see you there so please let me know if you can come. Anne Hart, 0408 333 459.

CHURCH COUNCIL has altered its meeting day to the third Thursday of the month for the time being. Next meeting will be 17th February.

SLCEA DONATIONS

The first week of every month we have a retiring offering for SLCEA which is the combined churches Scripture teaching in both the primary schools and high school. We are introducing two new ways to make that donation, for all those who are happy to use on line banking. You can donate through our church bank account. It is the same as that used for direct debits for offerings:

Name: Morisset Uniting Church

BSB: 032-524

Account: 12-1985

Reference: SLCEA

or you can donate directly to SLEAC. Their details are:

Name: South Lakes Christian Education Association

BSB: 062 832

Account: 1033 7050

DATES FOR FEBRUARY:

Tues 8 Feb - 10 am Bible Fellowship

Sat 12 Feb - 8 am Prayer Breakfast, 9.30 am Pastoral Care

Sun 13 Feb - Church Life Survey during worship

Sun 13 Feb - 6 pm SLCEA interdenominational service at Avondale

Thur 17 Feb - 10 am Church Council

Tues 22 Feb - 10 am Bible Fellowship

Duties for 13th February - Epiphany 6

Preacher	Barbara Dufty
Bible Reading	Phill Hart & Anne Hart
Welcomers	Val Sloey & Joe Sloey
Offering/Banking	Winston James & Hazel Rolfe
Morning Tea	Val Sloey & Joe Sloey

Lectionary Readings for 13th February

Jeremiah 17:5-10
Psalm 1
1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Luke 6:17-26

DIRECT GIVING - Your offering can be set up to go directly from your bank account into the Church accounts and thus avoid the need to use the envelope system on a Sunday. A direct credit can be set up using the Church's Westpac working account BSB 032-524 Account number 12-1985 or by filling in a form to go to Uniting Financial Services. This form is available from Parriss McDougall.

Connect in Prayer

- As they begin the new term in a situation of uncertainty and anxiety, pray for students and teachers, that they might find ways to resolve their worries about vaccines and returning to face-to-face schooling.
- High School Scripture in Morisset will be very different this year, with a seminar each term replacing weekly Religious Education. Pray that God will speak to the hearts and minds of students through this new system.
- Give thanks for the leadership of the past two years as we have come through two difficult years without a minister, and pray for our JNC (Joint Nominating Committee) as they begin the process of searching for a new Minister of the Word.

Submissions to the Newsletter

Articles for the Weekly Newsletter should be submitted in writing by Wednesday.
Email: morissetnews@hunter.uca.org.au



MORISSET UNITING CHURCH

"THE CHURCH IN THE TREES"



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Welcome to the "Church in the Trees" this morning. If you are a visitor, help us to get acquainted with you by signing the Visitors' Book & staying for a time of fellowship at Morning Tea after Worship. Please also collect our Information Brochure.

Children are especially welcome as we share stories and have an activity table at the front.

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Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact: Helen Edgell
Ph: 49705359 or Mb: 0400 460770

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