

## What's on This Week?

### Sunday 13th

9.30am

### Lent 2

Worship  
Congregational Meeting

### Tuesday 15th

9.00am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open

### Wednesday 16th

9.00am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open  
2pm Red Dove Choir

### Thursday 17th

9.00am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open

### Saturday 19th

8.00am Prayer Breakfast  
9.00am Pastoral Care meeting

### Sunday 20th

9.30am

### Lent 3

Worship

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## For You to Note

**WELCOME** - We welcome Rev Stephen Downie as our guest preacher this morning. Stephen is the Field Officer for Redeemer Ministries, and he will be telling us something of their work.

### CONGREGATION MEETING

All are welcome to attend this meeting following morning tea this morning.

### ST PATRICKS DAY PICNIC

This Thursday 17 March, 12 noon at Pendlebury Park. Everyone welcome, and bring an Irish joke or anecdote, and wear something green! Bring your lunch and a folding chair. If the weather is inclement, use your judgement or phone Barbara 0439002392.

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP NOTES (FORMERLY LADIES FELLOWSHIP)

Two events were planned at the recent meeting. First is the Great Outback Barbecue on Palm Sunday 10 April, in support of Frontier Services, to which everyone is warmly invited. Secondly, it is hoped that we will be able to run our Biggest Morning Tea in support of the Cancer Council. Dates to be finalised but probably 9th or 16th June.

### CHURCH COUNCIL

A slight change in the meeting times to 3.30 pm on the fourth Thursday of the month. Next meeting will be Thursday 24 March at 3.30 pm.

### PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, 19 March at 8am in the church hall. Val and Joe are catering and Betty is leading the prayers. All welcome.

### EAST COAST FLOODING EMERGENCY APPEAL

Uniting Church in Australia President Rev Sharon Hollis has launched a national appeal to support people and communities impacted by the intense rainfall and devastating flooding across the East Coast. At present 19 chaplains have been deployed to 11 evacuation centres by the Disaster Recovery Chaplaincy Network (DRCN) of NSW and ACT and chaplains will continue to come alongside disaster-affected people in coming weeks. More information can be found at: <https://uniting.church/east-coast-flooding-emergency-appeal/>

Donations to the appeal can be made to the "National Disaster Relief Fund".

**Direct Deposit** details are: Bank Name: Westpac, BSB: 032 003, Ac No: 269941  
**Cheque** - please make your cheque payable to "UCA Assembly - National Disaster Relief Fund" and post to: UCA Assembly - National Disaster Relief Fund, PO Box A2266, Sydney South NSW 1235  
Please include a reference (for example, your surname or congregation name)  
If you require a receipt, please get in touch with us - email: [enquiries@nat.uca.org.au](mailto:enquiries@nat.uca.org.au) with subject: National Disaster Relief Fund

### MARCH CALENDAR:

Sun 13th - Congregational Meeting  
Thur 17 - St Patricks Day picnic  
Sat 19th - Prayer Breakfast and Pastoral Care  
Tues 22nd - Bible Fellowship  
Thur 24th - Church Council 2 pm

### 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*

### **Duties for 20th March - Lent 3**

Preacher	Owen Smythe
Bible Reading	Barbara Dufty & Derek Cumberworth
Welcomers	Douglas Stewart & Pam Stewart
Offering/Banking	Jan Miller & Margaret Arbon
Morning Tea	Val Sloey & Joe Sloey

### **Lectionary Readings for 20th March**

Isaiah 55:1-9  
Psalm 63:1-8  
1 Corinthians 10:1-13  
Luke 13:1-9

**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**

- Pray for our Congregation Meeting today that we will be open to new ideas and suggestions for improving our various ministries in the church. Pray that people's opinions and thoughts will be heard and valued.
- Pray for our members of government. Pray for wisdom, fair management of resources and funds that benefit all.
- Russian invasion of Ukraine-pray for those who are impacted by this war and pray for God's intervention to end it.

### **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"**



### **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER** **ISSUE 1259 13th March 2022**

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.

Preacher **Barbara Dufty & Stephen Downie**  
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Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact: Helen Edgell  
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