

## What's on This Week?

<b>Sunday 23rd</b> 9.30am	<b>Pentecost 20</b> Worship
<b>Monday 24th</b> 4.00pm - 5.00pm	Stop Listen Pray
<b>Tuesday 25th</b> 9.00am - 2.30pm 10.00am	"The Branch" Op Shop is open Bible Fellowship
<b>Wednesday 26th</b> 9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
<b>Thursday 27th</b> 9.00am - 2.30pm 3.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open Church Council
<b>Sunday 30th</b> 9.30am	<b>Pentecost 21</b> Worship

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## For You to Note

### EVENSONG - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

Celebrate the return of this much-loved Avondale tradition. Close the Sabbath with a collaborative performance of sacred jazz-styled and fine music featuring vocal ensemble The Promise and Avondale Jazz Ensemble and Avondale Singers, supported by Avondale String Orchestra. Evensong is presented by the Conservatorium of Music at Avondale University as part of the 2022 Avondale Concert Series. Freewill offering to support academic prizes for conservatorium students. Ella Hughes Chapel, Saturday, October 29, 6 pm. [www.avondale.edu.au/events](http://www.avondale.edu.au/events)

### BIBLE FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Meets 10 am this Tuesday 25 October, at Hazel Rolfe's home. The group will be looking at Chapter 6 in the booklet "Following Jesus". Suggested next study will be on the letter of James.

**CHURCH COUNCIL** - Meets this Thursday 3.30 pm at the church.

**COOKBOOKS** - Unsold books have been returned, as they were on a "Sale or return" basis. If anyone missed out and would like a book, see Barbara or Hazel.

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP** - Next meeting will be at 10 am on Melbourne Cup day, 1 November, for a picnic meeting (wearing hats!) in Pendlebury Park, Bonnells Bay.

**CENTRAL COAST MARINE DISCOVERY CENTRE** - Friday 4th November 2022. Carpool to Terrigal and learn about sea life off our coast. Morning tea and lunch onsite. Entry \$13 Information and booking sheet in the church foyer. Open to anyone. Details Phill & Anne Hart

### FRIENDSHIP GROUP NOTES

A request will be made to Church Council as to whether our church would agree to use Fair Trade products, as a way to support disadvantaged workers overseas. Next meeting will be on Melbourne Cup day, 1 November, for a picnic meeting (wearing hats!) in Pendlebury Park, Bonnells Bay.

### PREACHERS OCTOBER/NOVEMBER:

Oct 30 Barbara Dufty  
6 Nov Bruce Edgell  
13 Nov Joan Horgan  
20 Nov Barbara Dufty  
27 Nov Pat Coster

### POLICE COMMUNITY PRECINCT MEETING - WARNING ABOUT SCAMS

At the recent Police Community Precinct meeting, Lake Macquarie Police expressed concern at the number of Senior Citizens who are being scammed.

- Be wary of unknown people who may randomly message you on social media.
- Be wary of random people who claim to be from Optus. If you need to contact Optus, you are advised to only use their website – otherwise phone Optus direct.
- Be wary of anyone offering the chance to win something (e.g. a car). Do not provide any information to this type of scam.

To contact Police -

000 - For serious emergency – crime in progress  
131 444 - For non-emergency police assistance line  
1800 333 000 - Crime Stoppers - To report real or suspected criminal activity (reports can be made anonymously)

**SENIORS EXPO** - A hearty thanks to everyone involved in planning and organising such a great day. It succeeded beyond people's expectations. Thanks to the willing workers who helped with setting up beforehand and clearing away at the end, and those who spent the day assisting in a hundred different ways. Thanks to the planning team and the very efficient organising of the event, and special thanks to Bob Starling who had the vision and worked tirelessly to bring it to fruition.

**SAFE CHURCH TRAINING** - All members of Church Council and anyone in a position of leadership in the church is required to undertake a Safe Church training course. The next available course will be held at Raymond Terrace Uniting Church on 12 November. Flyers available in the foyer with more information.

## **Duties for 30th October - Pentecost 21**

Preacher	<i>Barbara Dufty</i>
Bible Reading	<i>Winston James &amp; Margaret Arbon</i>
Welcomers	<i>Margaret Arbon &amp; Joan Harley</i>
Offering/Banking	<i>Winston James &amp; Hazel Rolfe</i>
Morning Tea	<i>Pauline Wilding &amp; Tina Davies</i>

### **Lectionary Readings for 30th October**

*Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4*  
*Psalm 119:137-144*  
*2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12*  
*Luke 19:1-10*

**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**

- We pray for people and decision-makers of the Ukraine and their ongoing conflict with Russia.
- Agencies like Wayside Chapel and Exodus Foundation and other agencies that care for the homeless and those living on the streets.
- Give thanks for those who lead our worship Sunday by Sunday, for their commitment to this area of ministry and all that they contribute. Open their minds and hearts to receive your wisdom as they prepare.
- Pray for the JNC (Joint Nominating Committee) as members wait and act on God's leading in calling a spiritual leader for us.

### **Submissions to the Newsletter**

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



## **MORISSET UNITING CHURCH**

**"THE CHURCH IN THE TREES"**



### **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER** **ISSUE 1291 23rd October 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 **Bruce Edgell**  
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Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact: Helen Edgell  
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**"Growing in the Spirit, reaching out in love"**