

What's on This Week?

Sunday 5th

9.30am

Epiphany 5

Worship

Tuesday 7th

9.00am - 2.30pm

10.00am

“The Branch” Op Shop is open

Friendship Group

Wednesday 8th

9.00am - 2.30pm

“The Branch” Op Shop is open

Thursday 9th

9.00am - 2.30pm

“The Branch” Op Shop is open

Sunday 12th

9.30am

Epiphany 6

Worship

For You to Note

THE RIVERBOAT POSTMAN - Friday 17th February 2023. Enjoy the magnificent scenery of the lower Hawkesbury River by boat. Morning tea and lunch included.. Boarding 9:45 am at Brooklyn Warf. Travel by train or car. Senior's discount \$54 per person. Details on fliers in the church foyer. Bookings Phill Hart 4973 6441 or 0410 604 730

INTERDENOMINATIONAL SERVICE FOR SRE TEACHERS

This service will be held at the Morisset Branch of the Salvation Army, corner of Marconi Road and Station Street on Sunday, 26th February beginning at 6pm. At this service we will meet the new High School teacher, Warren Eckerman and he and the primary school teachers will be prayed for. We will hear from the SLCEA President, Barry Hill and the Primary Coordinator, Desiree Sleight. You are very welcome to attend and support our local SRE teachers.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - Friday 3 March at 10 am at the Salvation Army church in Station Street. The focus this year will be Taiwan. A warm invitation is extended to all.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP - Meets this Tuesday 7 February at 10 am in the Koala Room. At this meeting, plans will be made for the year ahead, so if you have any suggestions for activities, do come along to the meeting, or else speak to one of the members with your ideas.

WELCOME: We welcome Rev Nancy Brawn and her family to the Manse. They have moved in and are getting settled, but Nancy is on Long Leave for the month, so we are giving them some space and time together before she begins her ministry. During March and April Nancy will be carrying out Supply for Cessnock, (which was already arranged before we began discussions) and during that time will take one service for us each month, before she begins her actual placement with us in May.

AUSTRALIA DAY BBQ - Congratulations to the team who put on the lunch, the games and entertainment on 22 January. It provided a start to the year's activities with a happy morning of fellowship, and also raised \$470 for Frontier Services.

POLICE COMMUNITY PRECINCT MEETING - WARNING ABOUT SCAMS

Lake Macquarie Police are concerned earlier warnings may have been forgotten. Each of the following HAS resulted in criminal activity, in OUR AREA, which could have been prevented:-

- Make sure that you keep your home secure at all times. This includes locking all doors, whether you are at home or away – even if this is only in your yard.
 - Ensure that you do not leave keys, including car keys, near the front door.
 - Do not leave wallets, keys, etc lying around. Criminals are experts at breaking into homes, even while people are asleep, to steal such items. Car keys and credit/debit cards are special targets. Stolen credit/debit cards can be used, in multiple stores, to pay-wave items up to \$200.00, each time, often before card providers realise that something is amiss and refuse more payments. The card owner is usually held liable for these debts.
- For the same reason, never leave credit/debit cards or keys in an unattended car.
- Check your number plates, when returning to your car. These are stolen to place on vehicles before committing a crime, such as driving away before paying for fuel at a service station.

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)

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.

Duties for 12th February - Epiphany 6

Preacher	<i>Joan Horgan</i>
Bible Reading	<i>Val Sloey & Joe Sloey</i>
Welcomer	<i>Elaine Kingston</i>
Offering/Banking	<i>Phil Kesterton & Derek Cumberworth</i>
Morning Tea	<i>Sue Kesterton & Helen Edgell</i>

Lectionary Readings for 12th February

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalm 119:1-8

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37 2

Connect in Prayer

- Pray for people living in Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Afghanistan, Yemen and Pakistan where life is a constant, daily battle against life-threatening situations.
- Give thanks to God that He has called Nancy Brawn to be our Minister of the Word. Pray for Nancy and her family as they become familiar with their new home and surroundings.
- Pray for children, parents/caregivers and teachers now that the school year has commenced. We especially pray for students for whom school is a new experience (Kindergarten) and those who are transitioning to High School or University.

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 1300 5th February 2023**

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.

Preachers **Bruce Edgell & Rev John Martin**
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Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact: Helen Edgell
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