



## EASTWOOD UNITING CHURCH

*14 - 16 Lakeside Road, Eastwood*

**22nd August 2021**

**WELCOME TO ALL WHO ARE WITH US FOR THE FIRST TIME.  
MAY YOU EXPERIENCE GOD'S PRESENCE AS WE FIND DIFFERENT WAYS  
TO WORSHIP AND BE COMMUNITY**

22nd August      8.00am Worship online      Sue & Phil Howes  
<https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/5450786355>  
Meeting ID: 545 078 6355

9.30am Worship online      Amelia Koh-Butler  
<https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/5450786355> or  
mobile/landline phone 80156011 and  
meeting ID: 5450786355  
Eph 6:10-20, John 6:56-69  
*'National Day for COVID Prayers'*

2.00pm Chinese Service via WeChat contact Tennyson

29th August      8.00am Worship online      Jason Masters

**Congregational Meeting postponed**

9.30 am Worship online      Amelia Koh-Butler

2.00pm Chinese Service via WeChat contact Tennyso

The new church website is: <https://www.eastwooduca.org/>

**Please note the online Congregational Meeting has been moved  
back a week and is now Sunday 5th September starting 9.15am  
using the worship link or mobile/landline phone 80156011 and  
meeting ID 5450786355**

欢迎所有第一次来参加崇拜的朋友们。

希望你们在和我们一起崇拜的时候感受到上帝的存在。

유나이팅 교회에 처음 방문해주신 모든 분들을 환영합니다. 함께 예배하는 가운데 살아계신 주님을 만나고 돌아갈 수 있길 소망합니다.



We are glad to have you with us today, to share in this online worship service led by Rev Dr Amelia Koh-Butler. We hope that you enjoy the time of worship, and feel welcomed and included even as we cannot meet in person.

**WORSHIP RESOURCES** are emailed before Sunday to those with email. Printed copies will be delivered to those without internet access.

To join the services any Sunday via Zoom please use the link below.

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The Assembly website has a list of livestreaming and online worship services. <https://assembly.uca.org.au/resources/ministry-during-covid-19>.

Updates on services and news are also available on the Presbytery website: <https://sydneycentralcoastpresbytery.uca.org.au>

Synod has stipulated that **every group** that either meets in the name of Eastwood Uniting Church (including Bible studies in a home) or uses the Church premises for any activity, **must provide Church Council with a safety plan** that complies with regulations and guidelines set out by both the NSW Government and the NSW/ACT Synod. Chris Wakefield kindly agreed to be our contact person with Synod on behalf of Church Council.

**FOOD DONATIONS FOR CCA. Urgently needing** canned food, pantry staples and toiletries for emergency food packages. Contributions can be dropped off at CCA, 12 Lakeside Rd, Mon-Fri.

**PASTORAL CARE** Please continue to keep connected with each other by phone, email and text as we are in lockdown again.

**'PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS'**

Sue H

Merrill B

Jason M

Margaret S

Yvonne VE

Liz M's mother Katy

### ***THIS WEEK'S DIARY DATES***

Monday	23 Aug	English Language Classes via Zoom	9.30am
Tuesday	24 Aug	English Language Classes via Zoom	7.30pm
Wednesday	25 Aug	Women's Bible Study via Zoom	10.00am
Friday	27 Aug	English Classes via Zoom	9.30am
		Social Zoom	7.30pm

**No worship services or activities are able to be held at the church.**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.** The next Congregational meeting will be **Sunday 5th September** starting at **9.15am** between the two services. Please let the office know if you require voting cards to be posted to you for this meeting. It can be accessed via the Zoom link used for worship either online or by phone. <https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/5450786355> or mobile/landline phone 80156011 and enter meeting ID: 5450786355

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS.** The Office team are mostly working from home during the lock down. Best contact is via email. Phone messages can be left and will be checked when someone is in the office. Contact details for the ministry team are on the back page of the weekly notices.

**CHURCH WEBSITE.** A reminder that the old church website's hosting platform will be closing late September. If you access the new website using a saved link to the old site, this will stop when the platform closes in September. We encourage all of you to 'save' or 'bookmark' the new website address when opening it in the next few weeks for easy ongoing access. The office team are very happy to assist anyone needing assistance accessing online resources, or help with meeting via Zoom. Here is the direct link to the page where resources are located: <https://www.eastwooduca.org/resources.html> You will find under 'Upcoming' near the top, the Zoom link for worship, order of service , weekly notices and the link to the recorded sermon. Simply click on the item you want and they will open for access. Below these are the video recordings of services that also play with one 'click'




### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Trevor Bird	Friday	27th August
Jason Masters	Friday	27th August

**2PM CHINESE SERVICE** via WeChat. Please contact Tennyson 0411896274 for further information and the link to WeChat activities.

**WITH LOVE TO THE WORLD** Aug 16-Nov 14 issue available. Please email the office for a copy. Cost \$6



**WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER**

We are postponing Creation month from September to October this year. September worship will be using a series called 'I've been meaning to ask'. We will be distributing devotional material and creative resources to you in the coming weeks.

Is there a household that you would like to intentionally invite to be part of our September series? Devotional material and creative resources can be sent to them too. Please let the office know in the next couple of weeks.

If you do not have your own candle to use during worship in September, contact the office and we can organise to get a candle to you.

**PLEASE SUPPORT PETER MCBURNEY'S HALFCUT FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**



to purchase threatened Daintree Rainforest lots and add them to Daintree National Park. Peter is a member of Epping UC, and also participates in our local Uniting Churches social justice group, UCASE.

At the end of August, Peter will be shaving off half of his beard & head to represent that half of the world's forests have been cut down by humans in the last 500 years - disastrous for many species & catastrophic for climate change.

The campaign is in conjunction with a sustainability group that is facilitating the purchase of freehold properties adjoining National Parkland that may otherwise be cleared. They are then managed by the local Kuku Yalanji indigenous people, giving them back access to their land and employment. See: <https://go.halfcut.org/peter-mcburney>

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY.** As part of our covenant commitments with Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress, we speak an Acknowledgement in every act of public worship and at the beginning of meetings. Our local Aboriginal language is Darug and so we say Cooee, Warami Mittigar, meaning Come—you are welcome here! The traditional owners of this land were the Wallematagal people. We acknowledge them and pay our respects to leaders and elders, past and present and pray for those who will follow in their paths.

**PRAYER FOR AFGHANISTAN**

O God of mercy and of peace,

We hold before you the peoples of Afghanistan.

Be living bread to those who are hungry each day

Be healing and wholeness to those who have no access to health care amidst the ravages of pandemic

Be their true home to all who have been displaced

Be open arms of loving acceptance to those who fear because of their gender, ethnicity, religious or political views

Be peace to those engaged in armed conflict and those who live within its shadow.

Turn our hearts and minds to your ways of just and gentle peace,

Open our eyes to see you in all acts of compassionate care

Strengthen our hearts to step out in solidarity with your suffering people

Hold us all in your unfailing love.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who emptied himself of all but love in order to bring life in all its fullness. AMEN.

Ramani Leathard (Christian Aid, a fellow ACT Alliance Member)

**JOIN WITH OUR SYNOD IN PRAYER FOR:**

The people of Afghanistan and the Afghan community in Australia who seek peace, security and a safe future.

Defence force personnel and retired veterans who served in Afghanistan.

All those impacted by COVID-19 here in Australia and across the world as we mark more than 200 million cases globally and 4.4 million deaths.

Our leaders navigating the response to the pandemic, health workers caring for the sick and those providing care and support to the most vulnerable.

Families and communities engaged in Messy Church in the UCA and beyond.

## We are all ministers in Christ's name

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### Please send all notices to the Office

Mission: Witness to the gospel and spread the good news of Jesus Christ in word and action.



Vision: Engage and connect with our diverse community through active discipleship.

Values: Visible 可見的 비전을 가질 수가 있고

Inclusive 包容的 포괄적이 될 수있고

Relevant 相關的 적절하고

Active 積極的 역동적이 될 것이다

### LECTIONARY READINGS:

Aug 22 Pent 13: 1 Kgs 8: (1,6,10-11), 22-30, 41-43, Ps 84, Eph 6:10-20, Jn 6:56-69

Aug 29 Pent 14: Song 2:8-13, Ps 45:1-2,6-9, Jas 1:17-27, Mk 7:1-8,14-15, 21-23

**WEEKLY NOTICES**, and **SUNDAY SERVICES** for Eastwood are available for viewing on our website. So, if you are away on any Sunday you can catch up at [www.eastwooduca.org](http://www.eastwooduca.org)

**Banking Details for Direct Giving: BSB: 634 634**

**Account #: 100020668**