



## EASTWOOD UNITING CHURCH

*14 - 16 Lakeside Road, Eastwood*

**29th 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**

- 29th August      8.00am Worship online      Jason Masters  
<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  
Psalm 15, John 6:56-69, James 1:17-27  
*'Working out faith'*
- 2.00pm Chinese Service via WeChat contact Tennyson
- 5th September 8.00am Communion online      Amelia Koh-Butler
- 9.15 am Congregational Meeting on Zoom**
- 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	30 Aug	English Language Classes via Zoom	9.30am
Tuesday	31 Aug	English Language Classes via Zoom	7.30pm
Wednesday	1 Sept	Women's Bible Study via Zoom	10.00am
Friday	3 Sept	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. 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**

Julie Byron	Monday	30th August
Priyani Mahadevan	Wednesday	1st September
Helen Ramsay	Thursday	2nd September
Gwen Davis	Saturday	4th September

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



**I've been meaning to ask...**  
a series for curiosity, courage, & connection

## **WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER**

September worship will be using a series called 'I've been meaning to ask'. Devotional material and creative resources are on the way to you that will hopefully arrive during next week.

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In September, Please gather these items in preparation as we explore

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**PLEASE SUPPORT PETER MCBURNEY'S HALFCUT FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN** to purchase threatened Daintree



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.

This is the last chance to make a donation as 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>

## **THANKYOU LETTER FROM UNITINGWORLD**

Dear friends in Christ,

Thank you for your incredible generosity over so many years. We were overjoyed to see your significant \$30,000 gift to UnitingWorld and our partners in the United Church of PNG. We recognise that the congregation support a number of organisations and feel privileged that you have gifted this to our work in PNG.

Your support of their clean water project has meant that thousands of people have been able to access clean water, toilets and education around handwashing and hygiene. Your gift will mean this work continues serving communities in PNG.

In the last 18 months, your support has also meant that people in remote parts of PNG have been able to access information and health advice about preventing COVID-19. The UCPNG has been offering practical training to health workers, trying to increase the number of sanitation stations in schools and going village to village to encourage social distancing, hand washing and the wearing of masks.

Rumours about the vaccine have been running rampant in PNG, with some members of parliament supporting the idea that they are unsafe. The Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) have recognised the critical importance of working in partnership with PNG churches, who have reach and influence in areas where the virus is growing unchecked.

We are currently working with the UCPNG Development Unit on plans for the future and will send you a more thorough update in the coming weeks.

Thank you for taking this journey with us. We are privileged to partner with you in this part of God's work in the world. Please keep us and the United Church in PNG in your prayers; particularly Jack, Bena, Kali and their teams.

I'd also love to visit Eastwood Uniting Church (either in future in person or via Zoom) to share some of the success stories of God's work in PNG. Please let me know when would be a good time for the congregation.

Kindly, Dr Sureka Goringe  
National Director, UnitingWorld

## 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 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

Sept 5 Pent 15: Prv 22:1-2,8-9, 22-23, Ps 125 Jas 2:1-10, (11-13),14-17,  
Mk 7:24-37

**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**