



Eastwood Uniting Church Newsletter June 2023



8.00am Informal Worship
9.30am Multilingual Service
11.00am Korean Service

Calendar Dates for June 2023

04/06 Services 8am,9.30am &11am
Games Club 12pm
Mainly Music 4.30pm
05/06 English Classes 9.30am
Free Yoga Class 11.30am
06/06 English Classes Zoom7.30pm
07/06 Women's small group 10am
11/06 Services 8am,9.30am &11am
12/06 English Classes 9.30am
13/06 Community Café 10am
English Classes Zoom7.30pm
14/06 Women's small group 10am
16/06 Social Zoom 7.30pm
18/06 Services 8am,9.30am &11am
Games Club 12pm
Mainly Music 4.30pm
19/06 English Classes 9.30am
20/06 English Classes Zoom7.30pm
21/06 Women's small group 10am
22/06 Uniting Church's Anniversary
25/06 Services 8am,9.30am &11am
26/06 English Classes 9.30am
27/06 Community Café 10am
English Classes Zoom7.30pm
28/06 Women's small group 10am
30/06 Social Zoom 7.30pm

If you attend any Church activities, **PLEASE WEAR A NAMETAG**. It is helpful for any new people, makes it much friendlier if you wear a nametag! We will place another order for magnetic badges soon. Cost \$15—to order one please contact the office.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June Birthdays

Dev Samuel	05/06
Michael Rees	06/06
Myrna Toisuta	09/06
Christopher Gee	10/06
Hannah Gee	10/06
Miriam Parker-Lacey	13/06
Christopher Cooper	14/06
Tennyson Chan	18/06
Liz Moran	23/06
Maria Allerdice	26/06
Adam Ferris	29/06
Kiah Westlund	29/06

NEWS FROM HELEN RICHMOND

Helen is in a 3 month placement in Bethlehem

Hello friends at Eastwood it's been a very full and intense couple of weeks. There has been a lot of incidents of violations of human rights. I felt very sad to see a couple of young men yesterday who had mechanic workshops demolished by soldiers despite them having bought the land years ago. 8 brothers, many with young families lost their livelihood and income. And nearby an older man, a shepherd who has lived on this land for 30 years and showed us his papers, had his sheep and chicken sheds demolished. A neighbour fortunately allowed him to put his sheep in their pen but the shepherd was looking very shaken focusing of the lambs and sheep that showed injuries. a number had broken legs and couldn't walk. He was not able to rescue most of his chickens before the structures was demolished. It's distressing seeing this cruelty, life under occupation almost unbearable for so many but we are so often received with kindness and amazing hospitality. One of the mechanics was trying to offer us a drink while he was surrounded by rubble.

One positive story from today (May 27) was going to a cooking class this morning in Ayda Refugee camp. The women who began this initiative all have disabled children and through the money they raise have set up a school and programs to support the children. It was lots of fun and great food.



THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE '13 SUITCASES'

Parramatta Riverside Theatre Wednesday 7th June
7.30pm Tickets: \$35 Please book your own tickets
online. <https://riversideparramatta.com.au/whats-on/13-suitcases/>

Recently arrived refugee high school students perform key moments in their lives that led them to become refugees. The performances are moving, compassionate, sometimes confronting, often endearing. For the students, preparing and performing is deeply healing. For us as audience, we are informed and enriched.



Pastoral CARE

If you might be interested in becoming a Pastoral Friend or finding out about what this valuable ministry involves, please speak with Marion Gledhill or Emma Jarvis.

There will be a meeting of continuing carers and new pastoral friends in the Main Hall after the 9.30am service on Sunday 18th June.

Please consider if you are able to assist with worship.

There are many ways that you can be a part of worship each Sunday. We are always looking for people to help with Bible readings, Prayers, Children's talks and leading the liturgy or presenting the message.

There is also opportunities like preparing the monthly Communion and helping distribute the Communion during the service. There is also the need for more people to assist in serving Morning tea after the 9.30am service. Please contact the office or speak to Michelle.



IN MEMORIAM



Margot McDowell Doust AM
12 November 1927 –
24 May 2023



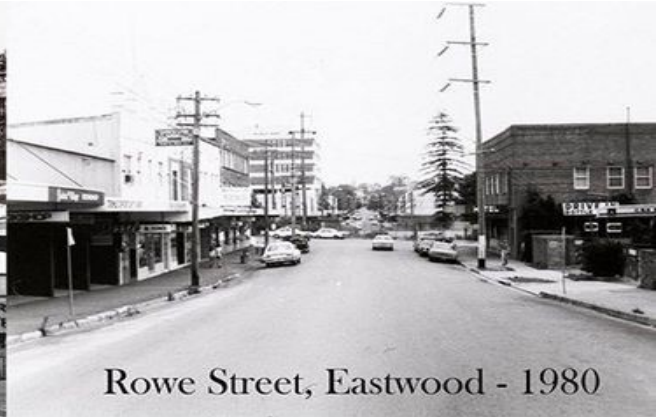
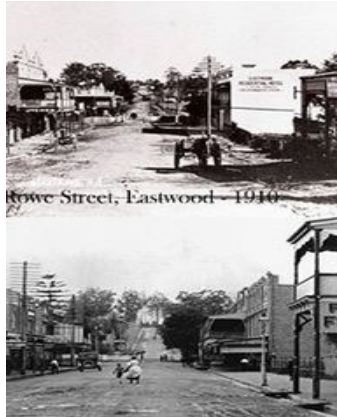
Mr. Nathaniel "Navan" Niles
26 September 1935 -
28 May 2023

Our Sympathy to Mark and Catherine Leal and family on the death of Mark's mother on Wednesday 31st May.

EASTWOOD HISTORY WALK Enjoy walking around Eastwood. Learn something about Eastwood's history . Learn about the history of the Uniting Church in Eastwood. Enjoy a Chinese lunch and meet friends with diverse cultural background. All welcome!

Monday 3rd July starting 10.00am at the church and finishing around 2.30pm. Cost: \$15 per person, includes morning tea and lunch.

To register please contact Tennyson 0411896274.



GAMES CLUB A new ministry called 'Games Club' started on 7th May. The hope is to connect with people from wider community especially the youth. It runs fortnightly on Sunday afternoons. So far, a number of young people from the wider community have participated. The hope is that this can be an intergenerational and intercultural ministry. The next Games Club will be on 18th of June from 12pm to 2pm. Feel free to come, play, chat, and eat. Let's share our love with the wider community.



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