

What's on This Week?

Sunday 15th	Easter 3
9.30am	Worship
Tuesday 17th	
9.00am - 10.00am	Exercise class
9.30am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
10am - 1pm	Alanon
12 noon - 3.00pm	Frustration card group
Wednesday 18th	
9.30am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
3.30pm	Music Practice
Thursday 19th	
9.00am - 10.00am	Exercise class
9.30am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
Saturday 21st	
8.00am	Prayer Breakfast
9.30am	Pastoral Care meeting
Sunday 22nd	Easter 4
9.30am	Worship

For You to Note

PRAYER BREAKFAST - You are invited to join us for breakfast and prayer for the needs of our world, our community and our church at the monthly Prayer Breakfast to be held in the church hall at 8am next Saturday, 21st April. We conclude by 9am.

Please add your name to the list in the foyer for catering purposes. If you would like us to pray for any need that you are aware of drop a note in the box next to the sign-on sheet.

COFFEE AND CRAFT: Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 17th April at Freda's home at 10.30. a.m. B.Y.O. lunch and looking forward to seeing what you have achieved since last we met.

HYMN FEST - Sunday 22 April will include some of your favourite hymns. If you have a hymn that you would like to be included, add it to the list in the foyer. Make sure you add your name and tell us why the hymn is a favourite.

ADVANCE NOTICE - Sunday 15th April is the goal for our Planning Team to circulate a "Prolific Planning" Update so we get a snapshot of what has/hasn't happened since last years meetings. Sunday 29th April over morning tea Our Congregational Planning Team invites everyone to meet and do more work on the NCLS focus areas of: building a sense of community; nurturing worship; encouraging use of gifts; and new initiatives. Our calendar for the rest of 2018 and at least one of the focus areas will be looked at in these discussions.

WORSHIP 9.30AM SUNDAY 29TH APRIL will have a theme around 'Love' and will connect us with a Global Love Day network celebrating on May 1st 2018 with among other things, 'declarations' by community leaders and dignitaries across the world around this ethos and it's values. The Bible Reading/s for the 29th lend themselves to joining in this celebration. Stay tuned for more details...

"BRIGHT MINDS" SAUSAGE SIZZLE 4TH JUNE 2018

We've been asked to consider providing a sausage sizzle lunch for Morisset High School Year 7 students, Monday 4th June at Morisset Multi-purpose Centre. There's a sign up sheet on the foyer table or with Rev. Rob at morning tea to see if we have this capacity. We go ahead only if we have enough people. Will include organising food and determining appropriate BBQ resources...

SCRIPTURE IN SCHOOLS

Your generous and consistent monthly donations and prayers are enabling 28 primary classes (approximately 610 primary students) being taught by 18 volunteers across 5 public schools. In addition 20 classes across Years 7-10 at Morisset High school are being taught by Marc Erbsleben and Mitch Thompson. From all accounts the students are eager to be involved in SRE again this year as are the primary school volunteers and the two paid high school teachers. For some of the Kindergarten children this is their first encounter with Christianity and faith practices. Praise God!

The task of forming and nurturing relationships while sharing with children the "good news" of Jesus is a high calling and can only be effective with God's enabling. Please continue to pray and give.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA to support Cancer Council, and have a great time. Ladies Fellowship have set the date, THURSDAY 10th MAY 2018, and thank you to all who come on board to help with this wonderful morning, which of course will include our very popular OP SHOP FASHION PARADE.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: TIME TO UPDATE AGAIN

There is a printout in the foyer. Please check the following 1) Spelling of name, 2) Address, 3) Home Phone 4), Mobile (If Applicable), 5) eMail (if applicable) 6) Comments or Signature & Date checked/signed off. Enquiries. Phill Hart

Duties for 22nd April - Easter 4

Bible Reading	Joan McD & Ron
Welcomer	Lesley Mortimer
Table & Offering	Marie S
Banking	Bob & Margaret
Morning Tea	Leanne & Valda Plum

Lectionary Readings for 22nd April

Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

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 debit 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 Owen Smythe.

Connect in Prayer

ROHINGYA REFUGEES

The world's largest refugee camp is in Bangladesh with more than 900,00 Rohingya people who have fled what the UN has described as 'a text book example of ethnic cleansing', enduring intolerable conditions which will soon worsen with the approach of the monsoon season. Compassionate Father, we again appeal for your intervention to bring to an end this abomination.

PRAYER FOR THE NATION - Pray for God and the Son to be Exalted and Glorified in His Church, in our nation and in our lives. Pray for the Holy Spirit to fall on us in a fresh way and in our nation resulting in a great spiritual awakening.

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 1127 15th April 2018**

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, there's an activity table at the front, needing only to be taken to the Foyer if you feel they are distressed.

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Service 9:30am Sunday
Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

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Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact Mrs Leonie Brodie 49731602 or Rev Joan Horgan 49736135

"Growing in the Spirit, reaching out in love"