

## What's on This Week?

### Sunday 2nd

9.30am

### Advent 1

Worship

### Tuesday 4th

9.00am - 10.00am Exercise class  
9.30am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open  
10.00am Ladies Fellowship  
10am - 1pm Alanon  
12 noon - 3.00pm Frustration card group

### Wednesday 5th

9.30am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open  
9.30am C.A.L  
2pm Red Dove Choir  
3.30pm Music Practice

### Thursday 6th

9.00am - 10.00am Exercise class  
9.30am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open

### Saturday 8th

10.00am - 2.00pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open

### Sunday 9th

9.30am

### Advent 2

Worship

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## For You to Note

**LADIES FELLOWSHIP** invite you to the Church Christmas Dinner on Friday 14th December 2016, 6pm for nibbles, non-alcoholic drinks will be provided or BYO. A salad dinner will be served at 6.30pm, followed by Cheesecake, (Fruit Salad if Cheesecake is not your thing) Cost \$10, children under 10 no charge. RSVP by placing name on list in foyer no later than Sunday 9th Dec. Tickets available from Hazel Rolfe on Sunday 2nd and 9th Dec. Come and join us for fellowship, fun, good food and sing a few carols.

**OP SHOP** - will be open next Saturday 8 December for the final Saturday opening for this year. Any support you can offer, with goods for sale or simply coming along, will be appreciated.

### CHURCH COUNCIL NOVEMBER MEETING

- Gave formal approval to the plans for extension to the op shop
- There is a need to update the Next Of Kin information for our members, in case of emergencies
- Lake Macquarie Council may provide better signage to our church and a small sub-committee will consider where this would best be placed
- The January meeting of Church Council will focus on future directions

**"THE STABLE DOOR"** will be held on the 11,12,13 December from 6pm each night. This is a guided journey to experience the birth of Jesus being held at the Hillview Church 95 Freemans Drive Morisset. All Welcome. We are having FREE family fun activities which include face painting, petting farms, crafts and the Tower of Terror. There will also be night markets with locally crafted goods and food stalls.

**SURPRISE EVENT:** Our annual "surprise" event will take place at Morisset Square 11 am on Saturday 15th December. Anyone interested in joining the singers, there will be rehearsals Friday 7th December 2 pm and Thursday 13th December 2pm. Otherwise, be at Morisset Square (target end) by 10:45 am (earlier if you want to buy a cup of coffee) Dress - INCOGNITO!

**LADIES FELLOWSHIP** invite anyone who would like to, to join them at their traditional Christmas Lunch out, on Tuesday 4th December. This year we are going to the Cafe at the Wyong Milk Factory. Please write your name on sheet in foyer, by Sunday 25th November, if you are coming. We will car pool at 11am at the Church.

**NATIVITY ON DISPLAY** at Toronto Uniting Church 118 The Boulevard. Come and view over 150 display items depicting the Christmas Story, including tapestry, figurines and many more. Free Entry. Light Refreshments available.

Opening times:

Thursday 29th November 2018 - 10.00am - 4.00pm

Friday 30th November 2018 - 10.00am - 6.00pm

Saturday 1st December 2018 - 10.00am - 4.00pm

Sunday 2nd December 2018 - 10.00am - 4.00pm

**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.

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## ***Duties for 9th December - Advent 2***

Bible Reading	Lenise & Bron
Welcomer	Elizabeth O'L
Table & Offering	Elaine G & Sylvania
Banking	Joe & Phillip
Morning Tea	Pauline & Valda P

### ***Lectionary Readings for 9th December***

Malachi 3:1-4  
Luke 1:68-79  
Philippians 1:3-11  
Luke 3:1-6

## ***Connect in Prayer***

### **PRAY FOR FIREFIGHTERS**

Give thanks for new equipment available for fighting fires this season, pray for all who have a role to play and for the safety of all involved, both in fighting the fires and the people and communities under threat from windy dry conditions.

**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](mailto:morissetnews@hunter.uca.org.au)



## **MORISSET UNITING CHURCH**

***"THE CHURCH IN THE TREES"***



## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

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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 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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Op Shop                    Ph: 0249 735967

Prayer Circle            Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact Rev Joan Horgan 49736135

***"Growing in the Spirit, reaching out in love"***