

What's on This Week?

Sunday 7th	Lent 5
9.30am	Worship
Tuesday 9th	
9.00am - 10.00am	Exercise class
9.30am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
10am - 1pm	Alanon
11.45am - 3.00pm	Frustration card group
Wednesday 10th	
9.30am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
9.30am	C.A.L
1.30pm - 2.30 pm	U3A
2pm	Red Dove Choir
3.30pm	Music Practice
Thursday 11th	
9.00am - 10.00am	Exercise class
9.30am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
9.30am - 12noon	Art Class
10.30am	Bayside
11.30am - 3.30 pm	U3A
5.30pm	Tkwondo
Friday 12th	
10.00am - 11.30am	U3A
10.00am - 12 noon	U3A
Saturday 13th	
8.00am - 9.00am	Prayer Breakfast
10.00am - 2.00pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
Sunday 14th	Palm Sunday
9.30am	Worship

For You to Note

EASTER WORSHIP AT MORISSET UNITING "CHURCH IN THE TREES"

Reflective Easter Thursday 7pm 18th April

Good Friday 9.30am 19th April

Easter Sunday 9.30am 21st April

Note that we are waiting on details for Easter Sunrise approx 6am Shingle Splitters Point (Bonnells Bay Baptist/Salvation Army Churches)

"THE TORONTO CHORALE" 2PM PALM SUNDAY 14TH APRIL 2019

The Toronto Chorale (including members from Newcastle and Lake Macquarie and a few Uniting Churches) will present the Easter Week Story, through well-known music at Toronto Baptist Church, 186 The Boulevards, Toronto. Please come and enjoy this afternoon of song with us. Admission \$10 per person. Enquiries please phone: 0432 799297. Director Roger Alcorn (poster in the foyer)

"OUR VISION FOR A JUST AUSTRALIA"

This is a new timely Statement from the Uniting Church nationally, outlining hopes for a fairer more just society. Those on the internet can browse the summary or download the full statement here <https://uniting.church/visionstatement2019/> Copies will be available to circulate in coming weeks.

INTERGENERATIONAL WORSHIP PLANNING MEETING

The next meeting of all interested people/team members will be 3pm Sunday 14th April 2019 at the Church Hall. Notes from our first Meeting are being circulated and we are aiming to launch our first intergenerational event 4th Sunday in June 2019!! We set this next meeting quickly to pick up the rest of the team and to get onto details and promotional strategies asap. Rev Rob Hanks 0407401833 or robhanks@bigpond.net.au for more details

PRAYER BREAKFAST - meets this Saturday 13 April at 8 am. Note that this is a week earlier than usual because the following week is Easter. Please add your name to the list in the foyer if you would like to come.

"A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM"

Those who are going to the show this afternoon note it is at The Grove Theatre, 1 North Road, Wyong. It starts at 1 pm.

MARCHA WILLIAM AND THE PROMISE, EVENSONG - APRIL 13

Marcha William an esteemed singer, composer and International speaker, and is coming to sing at Evensong on the 13th of April. She has a passion for God that shines through sharing God where ever she gains the opportunity. Come along and hear the soothing vocals of Marcha Williams. Presented by Evensong (Lake Macquarie campus), Avondale College of Higher Education (582 Freemans Dr, Cooranbong), Saturday, April 13, 5 pm- 6 pm. Free

HUMAN LIBRARY - APRIL 13 - What's it like to survive a plane crash, desperately seek parents, or ride a tandem bike from Canberra to Mount Kosciuszko? Talk with people from all walks of life at the Human Library. You will be inspired as you listen to their stories. The Human Library is just like a normal library, except the books are human and the borrowers interact with their book. It aims to reduce stereotypes and prejudice and to promote respect for human rights and dignity. Presented by Avondale Libraries - 582 Freemans Dr, Cooranbong, Saturday, April 13, 10 am-12 pm. Free. www.avondale.edu.au/events

Duties for 14th April - Palm Sunday

Bible Reading	Joan McD & Ron L
Welcomer	Winston
Table & Offering	Betty
Banking	Carol & Bruce B
Morning Tea	Graeme & Elizabeth

Lectionary Readings for 14th April

Liturgy of the Palms

Luke 19:28-40 or John 12:12-16

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

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

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT - O eternal God, how often we worship you and how little we understand you: You, who make the first to be last and the last to be first: You, who frees the slave and enslave the free; You, who makes wealth to be poverty, poverty, wealth; You, who chides the pious and feast with the faithless; You, who makes foe be friend and friend to be foe; You, who brings the outsider in and turns the insider out; You are the God who calls us - a right-side up people - to be come your upside down kingdom. Through your Holy Spirit make this to be so. Amen. (From "Prayers for One Voice").

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 1173 7th April 2019**

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

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