

Lugar Brae Ministry Teams & Programs

Minister: Rev. Kwang Min (Kevin) Kim (0414 746 735)

Children & Family Worker: Ryan Buesnel (0406 409 846)

Pianist: Keira Tu

Prayer Group: Bob Vickery (9369 2705)

Meets every Sunday at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Area

Music Team: Rehearses at 6:30pm on Thursday

Bronte Playgroup: Ryan B. / Rev. Kevin Kim

Meets Mondays & Wednesdays from 10:00 – 11:30 am in the Church Hall

Bible Study: David Robinson (0410 568 849)

Meets Monday at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Area

Tuesday Bible Study: Kevin / Meets every second Tuesday at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Area

Lugar Brae Community Choir:

Rehearses at 4:30 pm every Wednesday in the Church

Lugar Brae Community Dance: Keira Tu (0423 584 462)

Meets Saturdays at 6:30pm in the Church Hall

Saturday Fellowship Group: Margery Whitehead (9663 1827)

Meets on the first Saturday of the month at 2pm in the Fellowship Area

Upcoming Events & Announcements

- Next Friday Youth gathering will be held on Friday 10th of March.
- Please consider to participate 'Lent Event' 2017.

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Our vision

: To effectively engage with the community to proclaim God's love through word and deed and revitalise the Church community

Sunday 5 March, 2017

*A very warm welcome to all our visitors to Lugar Brae Uniting Church
Feel free to sign our visitor book on your way out
Please join us for refreshments after the service if you are able*

Edward Eager Lodge
This month we are collecting tinned foods or toiletries (soap, toothpaste etc.) in support of all the residents.

PRAY FOR:

Alan W. and Margaret
Ryan B.
Mandy
Bob's family
Keira's family
Zena
Margery & her family
Ida, and her son, Jason
Daphne(Marilyn's mum)
Joyce

SERVICE SCHEDULE

This week (March 5): 9:30am

Worship Service – Rev. Kevin Kim

Sunday School – Ryan Buesnel

Holy Communion – Elders: Margaret / Bob

Bible Readers: Keira T. Margaret W.

Bible Readings: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Ps 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

Next week (March 12): 9:30am

Worship Service – Rev. Kevin Kim

Sunday School – Ryan Buesnel

Bible Readers: Ryan B. Sarah J.

Bible Readings: Gen 12:1-4a; Ps 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

What's on in March 2017

Sundays Worship, 9:30 am, followed by tea

Mondays Bronte Playgroup, 10 am
Bible Study, 6:30 pm

Tuesdays Bible Study (March 7, 21), 5:30pm

Wednesdays Bronte Playgroup, 10 am
Choir Practice, 4:30 pm

Saturdays Community Dance, 6:30 pm

Sun. 5 Lent 1 (Holy Communion)

Sun. 12 Lent 2

Sun. 19 Lent 3

Church Council Meeting

Sun. 26 Lent 4 (Lunch with Us)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Friday 10 March 2017 the Uniting Church in Australia will appear at a public hearing for Case Study 56 of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses into Child Sexual Abuse.

Assembly General Secretary Colleen Geyer, General Secretary of the Queensland Synod Rev. Heather den Houting and I will answer questions about the policies and procedures of our Church in relation to child-protection and child-safety standards, including how we have responded to allegations of child sexual abuse.

We will be asked about factors that may have contributed to the occurrence of child sexual abuse at Uniting Church institutions; factors that may have affected our institutional response to child sexual abuse; as well as our responses to previous case study reports and other Royal Commission reports.

I would ask first and foremost for your prayers for all those who have suffered abuse while in our care, for whom some this hearing may re-open past traumas.

Prayers for those who have suffered abuse and for others involved in the Royal Commission are attached to this letter and I ask that you share them in worship with your congregation or faith community and in your personal prayers.

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In the five years since we proclaimed these values, many faithful people across our Church, our agencies and affiliated schools have worked to address the many issues raised by the Royal Commission.

Our governance, our care and the quality of justice we have offered to those who have suffered abuse have all come under close scrutiny in several case studies.

We have been confronted with our failures to live up to our Christian commitment to healing, justice and reconciliation.

When the Chief Commissioner Justice Peter McClellan addressed the 14th Assembly meeting in Perth on July 2015, he told us that the Commission had received 399 allegations of abuse in 132 institutions which were either Uniting or predecessor churches. That number has since increased.

In Case Study 56, on 10 March we will be called on to explain what we have learned and reflect publicly on how much we have left to do to ensure our Church and our institutions are the safest places they can be for all children in our care.

To live up to this pledge will require the diligence and vigilance of every Church member. Be under no illusion – this is not someone else's problem.

Child sexual abuse is an insidious crime to which the Royal Commission has proved that faith-based institutions are particularly vulnerable.

May God grant us the strength of character and unity of purpose to follow through with the hard work required to honour our pledge of a safe church for children in the years ahead.

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Stuart McMillan

President, Uniting Church in Australia