



Gordon Uniting Church

'Love casts out fear'

*We believe that all people, regardless of belief,
are created in the image of God.*



Notices, 7th October 2018

We warmly welcome you to worship

**Meditation:
A Little bit of Space to
Think, to feel and be heard**

Lifeline



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Welcome today all who are involved with **Lifeline**.

Holy Communion will be conducted next week **Sunday 14th October**
by Rev. Paul Swadling.

On Sunday 23rd September we voted to amalgamate Gordon and Pymble Uniting Churches. **Separately we are good; together we can be better.**

We have joined, seeing the possibilities of working together; continuing Jesus vision of a different, more compassionate, and tolerant world.

Never in our generation have compassion and tolerance been more under threat and we are starting from a lower social capital base. We have multiple community gatherings a week on both sites. We expect to keep both sites as they are an important community resource; open to the public most days. We will continue to have an emphasis on effectively communicating the hope of the Gospel to our rapidly changing community. The church carries a large part of the story that created our culture. We will also be continuing our worship, community gatherings, rural city engagement, schools and children's groups.

We employ five staff; 1 minister, 2 community workers, 1 rural field worker and 1 communications and support worker.

We are looking for **nominations** for the election of church councillors of **Gordon-Pymble Uniting Church** from 1 January 2019 until the end of the 2019 annual general meeting of Gordon-Pymble UC. Elections will be at a congregational meeting held on 21 October 2018 after the morning service

Nomination forms can be found outside the office.

Tuesday Conversations In recess until 16th October

No Luncheon Group in October. November meeting at Judy and David Elmslie's

In November Messy Church joins with Pymble with their **Stir Up Messy Church spectacular!** Sunday 4th November 5-6.30pm

With Love to the World

With Love to the World is a daily Bible reading guide based on the Revised Common Lectionary. It is also the basis for the Thursday morning Bible Study group. The November issue of With Love to the World will be the first for the new church year. This means that annual subscriptions of \$20 for the year are now due. Could you please give your \$20 to Ailsa Reichardt today – or to Sue Conde – or place it in an envelope marked WLTW and your name, in the collection plate. If you would like to subscribe, or know more about this highly recommended Bible reading guide, please talk to Ailsa or Sue.

Uniting Gordon Community Centre

Term 4 will commence on Friday, 19 October – enrolments from 9 am. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for Term 4. The Needlecraft group have offered to prepare Christmas baskets for a Christmas raffle, and would be grateful for contributions for the baskets – small gourmet food items, toiletries, small gifts are all welcome. If you would like to help, please leave items in the marked box in Room 4. Thank you!

Book Club

We all enjoyed reading 'The Bunting Quest' adventure, which was a first novel for Stephen Marcuson. Recognising it's Dan Brown similarities we pondered the facts and wrestled with details, including the Irish involvement, with enthusiasm! For **November Kamila Shamsie's 'Home Fire'** has been chosen, which won the 2018 Women's Prize for Fiction and was longlisted for the 2017 Booker Prize. She is a Pakistani-British writer. It is available from both the library and Kindle. We will be meeting as usual at Lyn and Peter's home, on **MONDAY 5th November** at 8pm. Our **December** read is 'Children of the Gods' by author Angela Moore, who visited GUC recently and has been invited to attend our meeting. Lyn McLennan has some copies for sale at \$25.

Save the date **JACARANDA CONCERT**

An afternoon filled with wonderful music featuring renowned theatre organist Glenn Amer

GUC SUNDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 2018 at 3.00 pm



Congratulations

We are delighted to hear that William Liu has been appointed as a Prefect for 2018/19 at Knox, and as a Cadet Under-Officer in the Knox Cadet Unit. We wish him every success in his final year at school, and congratulate him on these leadership positions.

Lifeline was founded in 1963 by the late Reverend Dr. Sir Alan Walker, when he took a call from a distressed man who later took his own life. Determined not to let isolation and lack of support be the cause of more deaths, Sir Alan launched a 24-hour crisis support line. This service (13 11 14) now answers around 1,800 calls each day, with around 50 calls from people at high risk of suicide.

Lifeline's services are now made possible through the efforts of around 1,000 staff and 11,000 volunteers, operating from over 60 locations nationwide.

Services and resources are now provided through phone, face-to-face, and online mediums.



Crisis Support. Suicide Prevention.

Lifeline is a national charity providing all Australians experiencing a personal crisis with access to 24 hour crisis support and suicide prevention services.

We're committed to empowering Australians to be suicide-safe through connection, compassion and hope.

Our vision is for an Australia free of suicide.

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