



Gordon Uniting Church

'Love casts out fear'

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



Notices, 24th June 2018

We warmly welcome you to worship

Meditation:

The arms race and the armaments industry
are not divided East/ West,
not even North/South...
It is, in fact, an assault upon the poor.

- Helen Steven



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@ Gordon

Lindara

Today, we offer a warm welcome to Peter Rehn and Courtney, the Lindara worker, who will give us an update about this important ministry. Letters are being sent out this week indicating how you can support this ministry if you wish to.

Postponed **Tuesday night Conversations** re Same Gender Proposals will be held this Tuesday 26th June at 6.30pm for dinner, 7.30pm for discussion.

Solar Panels

After worship last Sunday, I was approached by a member of the congregation who expressed an interest in donating funds for panels of the new solar energy system.

After determining the cost per panel, a donation was made of two panels. He suggested that we should give the same opportunity to other members of the congregation. If anyone is interested, please contact me and I will be happy to discuss possibilities with you. Darryl Maytom

The Luncheon Group, Thursday 5th July, midday

Michael will celebrate Holy Communion with us at our next gathering on Thursday, 5th July at the church. Then, we will share lunch together.

Rev MB is leaving Gordon

Rev MB has let us know that he has accepted a call to be the minister at Revesby UC.

His last Sunday at Gordon will be Sunday, 5th August.

A meal to celebrate '*Christmas in Winter*' and say goodbye to Michael, will be held on **Saturday 4th August at 6.30pm.**

We will celebrate along with **Messy Church.**

UGCC Term Dates

The last week for this term is Friday, 29 June. Term 3 will start on Friday, 27 July.

Michael's last week leading the Current Affairs group will be on Friday, 3 August. We are grateful for Michael's stimulating leadership of this group. He will be sadly missed at the Community Centre on Fridays.

Grant from Stockland

We have been successful with our application for a community grant from Stockland Property Group. Our thanks to Chris Hudson who let us know of the availability of these grants through Lourdes Retirement Village. We have a grant of \$990 to establish a small Community Garden. If you are interested in being involved in this project, please let Nicola know.

UnitingWorld Project

The Church Council has approved the donation of \$5000 to UnitingWorld. We have received a partnership proposal from UnitingWorld for GUC which, ideally, will become the start of an on-going commitment to a community in the Pacific. We have been given two options for this project:

Option 1: Healthy Families, Safe Communities in Kiribati – supporting women to grow fresh vegetables to improve health, promote food security and increase family income. These groups form the basis of networks to find solutions for challenges such as women's health and violence in the home.

Option 2: Safe Water Campaign (PNG) – lack of clean water supplies in isolated rural communities in PNG especially affect women and children. For almost 20 years the United Church in PNG has been providing water tanks and taps close to home. This project targets women as change agents who encourage family and community members to wash hands with soap and take care with food preparation and toilet use.

See also comments on insert from Bruce Kwong

Let us know which project you would like GUC to support – a **Voting sheet is available outside the office.**

Envelopes for the new financial year are available outside Nicola's office.

Make sure you collect your copy of **Insights** magazine

Common Dreams 2018, *Following Jesus into the World*

27-29 July at Pitt Street Uniting Church

See noticeboard for further details.

