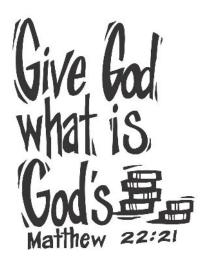
# Together



### Sunday 22 October 2023

Minister Rev. Greg McConnell 0404 046 697

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We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon this land

#### **Worship services**

Sunday 22 October	8.00am	Rev Greg McConnell
	9.45am	Rev Greg McConnell
	5.30pm	Rev Greg McConnell
Sunday 29 October	8.00am	Rev Greg McConnell
	9.45am	Rev Greg McConnell
	5.30pm	Rev Greg McConnell

Narla Hostel services are held each Friday at 3.45pm

## Dinner Church—every Sunday at 5.30pm

Dinner Church is a casual service for all ages with a message, a catered meal, prayer, discussion and friendship. This week Rev Greg will bring us the message with The Hudson's sharing, and Jenny & Julie catering.

#### Lectionary readings for the coming week

Dt 34:1-12 Ps 90:1-6,13-17 1 Thes 2:1-8 Mt 22:34-46

Onsite internet: St Luke's Guest - no password required



# Welcome to St Luke's Uniting Church, Belmont



A place for everyone

A church where you are welcome regardless of who you are, where you are from, and whom you love

Pray for those known to you who are in hospital, not well or recuperating

Bank transfer option for your weekly offerings

If you would like to transfer your offerings into the St Luke's Uniting Church giving account the details follow.

All transfers are anonymous.

BSB: 634 634

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# Calendar

### Monday 23 October

Activity Centre meet from 9.30am with games at 10am

# Tuesday 24 October

Quirky Quilters meet from 10am

Pastoral Care Team meeting at 1.30pm

# Thursday 26 October

Thursday Bible Study meet from 1.30pm

## **Just Kids - Term 4 Dates**

October 29

November 12

November 26

December 10



## 1 Interested in Something New?



Our Thursday Bible Study Group is wondering if a new group for people interested in 'listening to' (rather than 'contributing to',) the Bible being unpacked with an easily explained simple format, is an area to be explored further?

This group would be more a Bible Listening/

Teaching one, rather than a Bible Study Group with an aim to help people discover new truths which can be applied to our lives today. To find out more, speak to one of the following people; Jeanne McClusky, Betty Wares, Barabara Bell.

#### 2 Our Sympathy and our Prayers

Our sympathy and our prayers are with Jeanne McCluskey and her family in the unexpected passing of her son in Queensland recently.

#### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Cathy and Michael Turner who recently competed in the Masters Games in Adelaide playing pickleball.

Michael won gold in the Men's

Doubles (partner from Victoria) and a silver in the Men's Skinnys Singles. Cathy and Michael won silver in the mixed doubles.





# 4 Iona Community 'Hallowing'

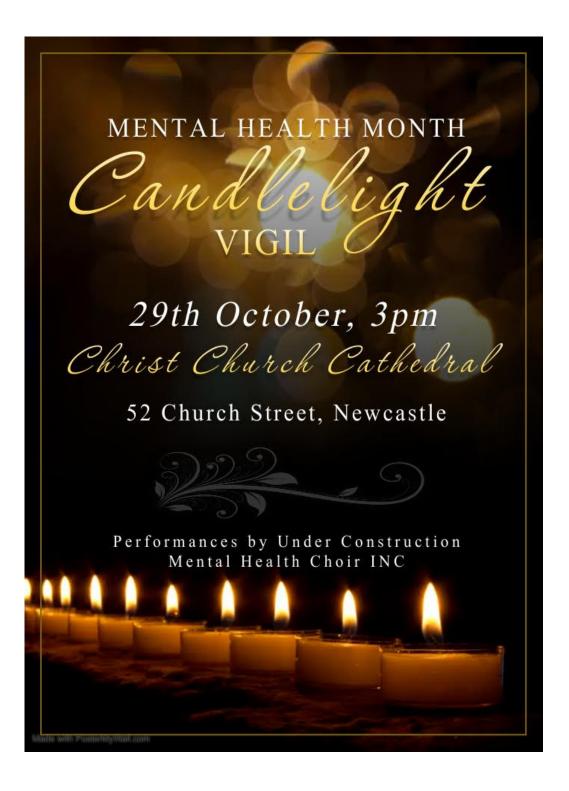
The leader of the Iona Community, Rev Ruth Harvey is currently on a listening tour 'Care for Creation' around Australia meeting with aboriginal leaders and walking on country. She will be in Newcastle on Sunday 29th October for a service of 'Hallowing' at Jesmond Park Uniting Church at 9.30 am. Rev Dr Peter Oliver will also take part.

'Hallowing' is a service of celebration whereby I will become a full member of the Iona Community. Hallowing follows two years of study and prayer. My group of 13 from all over the world, including Alaska, USA, Switzerland and the UK after only meeting by zoom, were hallowed in Glasgow in June but I was not well enough to attend. As Ruth was coming to Australia, she decided to include it in her Newcastle service.

The service will be live streamed by zoom: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/525723545

Thank you for your support





"God of peace, we pray for peace in Palestine, the land where the Prince of Peace walked long ago;
Let there be an end to the cycle of violence and vengeance that has prevailed there for so long;
Let there be an end to the frequent killing and maiming of people, victims of hate and prejudice; Let there be an end to all political agendas that justify and prolong the conflict.

# God of peace, hear our prayer.

"Bring justice for all the people of Palestine regardless of race, culture or religion;

Sustain the courage and determination of all those who work for peace and keep them strong in the face of threats and persecution;

Establish such mutual respect and harmony between Christians and Muslims that they will live and work together for the sake of all.

# God of peace, hear our prayer.

"Keep our own hearts and minds free from fear and prejudice;

Help us to be instruments of your peace where we are.

God of peace, hear our prayer."

#### Exodus 33:12-23 NIV

# Moses and the Glory of the Lord

Moses said to the Lord, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favour with me.' If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favour with you. Remember that this nation is your people."

The Lord replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?"

And the Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name." Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory."

And the Lord said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the Lord, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live."

Then the Lord said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

#### Matthew 22:15-22 NIV

# **Paying the Imperial Tax to Caesar**

Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?"

But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?"

"Caesar's," they replied.

Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.