

# Together



Sunday 29 October 2023

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Love God,  
Love Others.

**Matthew 22:37,39**

*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 29 October	8.00am	Rev Greg McConnell	
	9.45am	Rev Greg McConnell	
	5.30pm	Rev Greg McConnell	
Sunday 5 November	8.00am	Rev Greg McConnell	HC
	9.45am	Rev Greg McConnell	HC
	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 Alison sharing and The Keast family catering.

## Lectionary readings for the coming week

Jos 3:7-17	Ps 107:1-7,33-37
1 Thes 2:9-13	Mt 23:1-12

**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

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

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### 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

Account No. 100028307

Account name: St Luke's Uniting-Giving Acc

*Thank you for supporting the St Luke's Uniting Church!*



## Calendar

### ***Monday 30 October***

Activity Centre meet from 9.30am

### ***Tuesday 31 October***

Quirky Quilters meet from 10am

St Luke's Leadership Team meeting 7.30pm via Zoom

### ***Wednesday 1 November***

Fellowship meet from 9.30am

### ***Thursday 2 November***

Thursday Bible Study meet from 1.30pm

### ***Friday 3 November***

Friday Plus Bible Study meet from 9.30am

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

October 29

November 12

November 26

December 10



## 1 Our Sympathy and our Prayers

Our sympathy and our prayers are with the family of Dita Yabsley. Dita passed away on Saturday morning. Dita was a member of the 9.45am service and Dinner Church. She was the Team Leader of St Luke's Local & Global Mission Team and a member of St Luke's Leadership Team. She has been involved in many groups and activities in the life of St Luke's over all the years she has been at St Luke's. We will miss her.

A Service of Celebration of Dita's life will be held at St Luke's on Thursday 2nd November at 11am. The family have asked us to provide morning tea following the service, but also the family are inviting all to join them for lunch at a Wake to be held at Valentine Bowling Club at 1pm. If you will be attending at Valentine Bowling Club they would like an indication of numbers, so please RSVP by writing your name on the sheet on the table in the entry area, or contact Jenny Mathieson: 4946 8143 or email: [jennyandray@bigpond.com](mailto:jennyandray@bigpond.com) by Monday night.

## 2 Accommodation Needed

Alison and Chris Gill have a single 24 year old female family friend who is looking for accommodation. Ideally it would be in a house with a separate bedroom, bathroom and small living area (e.g. a downstairs area or end of house area). A granny flat would also be ideal.

Will pay board, rent, expenses etc. If anyone has information of this that would be helpful, please call Alison on 0435 653 531.



## 3 TV Program

For those who knew Ron and Jan Hallett and their family (Ron was minister here at St Lukes in the 80's and 90's), the TV show "Million Dollar Murders" that aired this week on channel 9 was about the lengthy investigation into the murder of their daughter, Melissa Hunt. If you missed it and would like to watch it then here are the details ...

*9NOW (Channel 9's catch-up TV app that can be used on computers, iPads, smart TV's etc)*

*Million Dolllar Murders, S02, E01 - Melissa Hunt, 23 October, 2023  
- Retired DSU Deborah Wallace seeks new leads for the 1994 unsolved murder of Melissa Hunt, whose body was found floating in a dam near Newcastle in a mystery that has haunted the community.*

Let's all join in prayer this week that someone will come forward with information and help this family get some closure, peace and justice.

## 4 Fellowship

Fellowship will meet next Wednesday 1st November, commencing with the usual morning tea, followed by the meeting which is the AGM, at 10am. Our good friends Clare and Eric Brock will then share their travels around the lovely Scottish Islands. As usual visitors are most welcome to come.



MENTAL HEALTH MONTH  
*Candlelight*  
VIGIL

*29th October, 3pm*  
*Christ Church Cathedral*  
52 Church Street, Newcastle



Performances by Under Construction  
Mental Health Choir INC



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5 **Friday Plus Bible Study**

This week, Friday 3rd November, at Friday Plus Bible study we will be looking at Paul's letter to Titus who was ministering to the people on the island of Crete. This is a very short but important letter and we invite you to join us as we explore the content of this epistle. Tea/coffee at 9.30 in the gathering area and aiming to finish by 11.30.

Any enquiries to Julie Killeen 0427 505 874 or Jan Kellahan 0424 139 100.

6 **Congratulations**

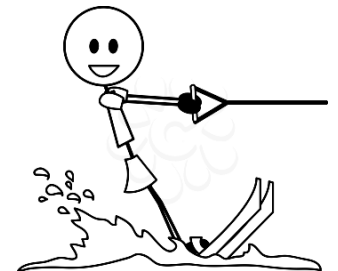


Congratulations to Vickie Dougherty who recently won silver and bronze in the Bocce singles and doubles championships. Great news!

7 **Unite / Men & Boys**

**Weekend Away at Myall Lakes National Park**

November 17th—19th. Waterskiing, swimming, canoeing, footy and eating—for men and boys all ages. Bring tents, camping gear, eating utensils, clothes and own drinks. Cost: \$50 (13 and above) \$35 (12 and under) - includes all meals, camping fees and boat petrol. RSVP with attendance (and if bringing a boat) by 8th November via email to Paul Smart: [smart-family@bigpond.com](mailto:smart-family@bigpond.com) or text 0419 267 074.



## **Deuteronomy 34:1-12 NIV**

### **The Death of Moses**

Then Moses climbed Mount Nebo from the plains of Moab to the top of Pisgah, across from Jericho. There the Lord showed him the whole land—from Gilead to Dan, all of Naphtali, the territory of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Mediterranean Sea, the Negev and the whole region from the Valley of Jericho, the City of Palms, as far as Zoar. Then the Lord said to him, “This is the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when I said, ‘I will give it to your descendants.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it.”

And Moses the servant of the Lord died there in Moab, as the Lord had said. He buried him in Moab, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, but to this day no one knows where his grave is. Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died, yet his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone. The Israelites grieved for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days, until the time of weeping and mourning was over.

Now Joshua son of Nun was filled with the spirit[b] of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the Lord had commanded Moses.

Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, who did all those signs and wonders the Lord sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land. For no one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

## **Matthew 22:34-46 NIV**

### **The Greatest Commandment**

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”

Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

### **Whose Son Is the Messiah?**

While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, “What do you think about the Messiah? Whose son is he?” “The son of David,” they replied.

He said to them, “How is it then that David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him ‘Lord’? For he says,

“‘The Lord said to my Lord:

“Sit at my right hand  
until I put your enemies  
under your feet.””

If then David calls him ‘Lord,’ how can he be his son?” No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.