

Together



Sunday 26 November 2023

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*Just as you did it
to one of the least of these.*

Matthew 25:40

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 26 November	8.00am	Rev Greg McConnell
	9.45am	Rev Greg McConnell
	5.30pm	Rev Greg McConnell
Sunday 3 December	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. Rev Greg will bring us the message this week, there will be sharing, and Greg Anderson will be catering

Lectionary readings for the coming week

Is 64:-1-9	Ps 80:1-7,17-19
1 Cor 1:3-9	Mk 13:24-37

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

Account No. 100028307

Account name: St Luke's Uniting-Giving Acc

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



Calendar

Monday 27 November

Activity Centre meet from 9.30am
with games at 10am

Tuesday 28 November

Quirky Quilters meet from 10am

Thursday 30 November

Thursday Bible Study meet from 1.30pm

Friday 1 December

Friday Plus Bible Study meet from 9.30am

Just Kids - Term 4 Dates

December 10



1 Welcome!

We warmly welcome the friends and family of Micaiah Folau Robert Letoga who is being baptised here this morning.



2 St Luke's Mosaic Project



As you are aware St Luke's supports a wider work project each year and the current project is for Mosaic, the organisation that works with and assists Refugees in the Hunter area. Our commitment is \$6,000 per year. If you would like to make a donation towards this project, you may do so by using one of the special envelopes on the table or in an envelope marked "Mosaic Appeal" and place in the offering bag. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

3 St Luke's Congregation - Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Congregation will be held on Sunday 3rd December at 9.15am (in-between the two morning services). At this meeting, annual reports will be presented and the election of ten members for our Leadership Team (Church Council) will be held. Stay on after 8.00am or come early before 9.45am. Annual Reports of the Congregation are available today for you to take home and read in preparation for the Annual Meeting next Sunday

4 Thursday Bible Study

Please note that Bruce Kay will be away on 7th December, so no Bible Study that week. On the 14th December we will have a Christmas celebration with a shared afternoon tea. We will meet for a 'catch up' on 18th January 10am at the Sixteen Footers Club and resume our Bible Study for 2024 on 25th January at 1.30pm. Enquiries to Barbara Bell 4946 8549

5 Project Blessing 2023: Christmas hampers for our local school families.

Here is the timeline

- **TODAY until Sunday 10th December at 11am** - Donations of cash or suitable food hamper items are donated by members of St Luke's congregation.
Cash - please place in an envelope and give to Jean Thirkettle, Jenny Mathieson or Marj Hicks
Food - Lollies & chocolate (bags or boxes), shortbread, puddings etc. Boxes provided in gathering area to place your donations in.
- **Wednesday 13th December / 10am** - Delivery of hampers to schools and individuals. If you can help with this, please write your name on the sheet provided in the gathering area.



6 Offering Envelopes

New Offering Envelopes are available on the table at the back for you to take. Thank you to everyone who contributes to St Luke's, whether it be by Direct Debit or weekly offerings.

7 Invitation

Invitation to all to attend the Induction Service for Rev Mitchell Forbes into his new Placement at New Lambton Uniting Church to be held on Sunday 3rd December at 4pm.

8 Nominations

Nominations received for St Luke's Leadership Team (Church Council) are: Greg Anderson, Stewart Ellway, Alison Gill, Margaret Guerke, Julie Killeen, Jenny Mathieson and Michael Turner. The nomination received for St Luke's member to the Hunter Presbytery meeting: Eldrene March. Voting will take place at the Annual General Meeting of the congregation on Sunday 3rd December 2023.

9 Uniting World Christmas

Uniting World Christmas gift cards and Christmas cards will be for sale next Sunday. Information brochures about what is available are on the table in the entrance.



10 Friday Plus Bible Study

Friday Plus Bible study this week is based on Isaiah 8:19-9:7. This passage is about the coming of the Messiah. Please join us at 9.30 in the Gathering Area for tea/coffee before a 10am start. Any enquiries to Julie Killeen 0427 505 874 or Jan Kellahan 0424 139 100.



Thanks to Dan

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ANOTHER ESKIMO BAPTISM GONE BAD

Matthew 25:31-46 NIV

The Sheep and the Goats

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I

was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

“They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

“He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’

“Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”