

ILLAWARRA PRESBYTERY NEWS #4 14 February 2019

Focused on God's Mission - Providing Leadership - Growing Discipleship

The Standing Committee is keen for the best possible communications within the life of the Illawarra Presbytery. To that end, the following notices are issued for your information and consideration. We especially want congregations to be aware of significant events and dates.

Please circulate this newssheet as widely as possible and do not hesitate to contact me if you require further details. Sharon Hoogland, Secretary (illawarrauca@bigpond.com)

1. INFORMATION FOR CONGREGATIONS

Illawarra Presbytery Annual Service of Celebration

is on this Saturday 16 February 2019 in the Wollongong Mission "Church on the Mall" commencing at 2.00pm.

Our Guest Preacher is Reverend Bronwyn Murphy, Assoc. General Secretary, NSW/ACT Synod.

Please invite members of your congregation to come for fellowship and inspiration, thanking God for our amazing blessings of 2018 and committing our Mission & Ministry to Him for 2019.

Please bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea following the service.

AGAPE SUPPORT DINNER

Keiraview Uniting Church
Fundraising to support children @ Agape Children's Home, Thailand
6pm on Saturday 9 March 2019

At Farmborough Grove Retirement Village Administration Centre 6 Waples Road, Unanderra

\$25 per person

Includes Thai food, Thai dancing, other food and entertainment For ticket enquiries contact Robyn Johnson on 0414 307 910



UNITINGWORLD SEEKS BOARD MEMBER WITH FUNDRAISING SKILLS

Be part of something much bigger than yourself.
Contribute to work that transforms lives.
Serve church and community with your unique skills.

UnitingWorld is the agency of the Uniting Church in Australia (UCA) driving international church partnerships to address poverty, injustice and violence. It is funded by faithful supporters in the UCA and accredited to distribute aid funds from the Australian Government.

The UnitingWorld Board is a skill-based body drawn from various sectors of the Uniting Church and beyond, and is responsible for the governance of the agency. We're seeking a person with professional fundraising experience to join the Board. Roles are also open on the Finance, Audit and Risk committee and International Programs committee.

For more information, or to express interest prior to 30th April, contact Dr Andrew Glenn at andrewroderickglenn@gmail.com





Garage Sale

Wollongong Uniting Church Thursday 7th & Friday 8th March 116 Crown St, Wollongong 8:30am-2:00pm

Lots of amazing items!

AUTUMN MARKET

Saturday 8 March 2019 8.00am – 2.0pm

Bowral Uniting Church

Plants –hundreds of pots from \$1
Books
Home Baked Cakes, slices, Jams & Preserves
Bric-A-Brac
BBQ & Light Lunches
Devonshire Tea & Coffee



For more details on the following events, please refer to Presbytery News #3:

- <u>Presbytery Priorities Discussion Paper</u>
 Feedback required from congregations by end February 2019
 Please email to Secretary at illawarrauca@bigpond.com
 - Understanding and responding to conflict <u>a workshop for ministers and church leaders</u> 2 March 2019 @ Jannali UCA

• UCA SYNOD 2019

Synod 2019 will be held **4**th **to 7**th **July 2019** and will be an event not to be missed! We will shortly be calling for nominations to Synod 2019. We encourage your discernment of potential nominees - this might be yourself or others who also have energy, capacity and interest in contributing to the future of our Synod.

If you have any questions regarding nominations, please contact the Presbytery Secretary on the address at the end of this newsletter.

• ASSEMBLY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND ENERGY

On behalf of the Sydney Alliance, the Assembly for Affordable Housing and Energy is holding an event on 14 March 2019 at the Sydney Town Hall.

DIARY DATES 2019

Presbytery Meetings

Thursday 8 May 4.00pm venue tbc Wednesday 14August 4.00pm venue tbc

Saturday 16 November 10.00am (Annual General Meeting) venue tbc

PRESBYTERY EDUCATION/TRAINING COURSES

Ethical Ministry Training

Round 1

Nowra Thursday May 9th at 1.30pm Keiraview Monday May 20th at 9.30am Bowral Thursday June 27 at 9.30 am

Round 2

Nowra Thursday Sept 12 at 1.30pm Keiraview Monday Sept 16 at 9.30pm Bowral Thursday October 31st 9.30pm

Safe Church Workshops for 2018:

February 23 Dapto UC
March 16 Nowra UC
June 15 venue tbc
August 17 Keiraview UC
November 23 Bowral UC

Living Our Values

Keiraview July 27 and 3rd August 9.30pm – 4.30pm



PLEASE DISTRIBUTE THIS NEWSLETTER AS WIDELY AS YOU ARE ABLE.

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