

General Notices

-Play Group Thankyou as always for the provision of food for our parents and children. Please let Jan Rossow know how you can help, especially when James is on leave. Help for the morning set up between 7-8am is really appreciated and makes a big difference.

-Fellowship of Fixing Every Thursday morning from 7.30am, a small group of dedicated people clean, mow, fix and share together in preparing our church and grounds. We do need more help, even if it is for one day a month to come and help it would help spread the load.

- Lenten Bible Study *The Grace of Les Miserables - When grace and Justice meet*
Based on the historical novel by Victor Hugo the characters represent the great themes of life, passion, grace, justice, poverty and love. We will begin with a viewing of *Les Miserables* with an afternoon tea/supper break.

Mondays 2-4pm March 2,9,16,23. at **41 Allora Gardens**

Thursdays 7-9pm March 5,12,19,26 at **98 Allora Gardens.**

-Lent Event - Building Peace Beating Poverty (for your consideration and prayer)

Lent Event is *UnitingWorld's* annual fundraising event, bringing people together to build peace and beat poverty. Pledge to live simply for the 40 days of Lent (26 Feb - 9 Apr 2020) and help make a difference for people striving to be free from poverty and injustice. The focus this year is Ambon, Indonesia. To find out how Christians and Muslims, can build peace, end war, beat poverty through *UnitingWorld* partners, go to unitingworld.org.au/event/lent-event/home

-Invitation- to Creative Arts Worship March 29, 5pm Buderim UC. the service will incorporate music, dance, poetry, sculpture, art and I.T. goals are to involve creative arts in worship, build connections between congregations, increase our joy of worship, minister to each other and provide a space to bring non-Christian friends. A fellowship tea will follow.

-James and Long Service Leave (April-June) I have long service leave that I need to take and therefore it has been arranged to be taken from 1 April to 30 June for that period of 3 months. There will be supply ministry provided during this time.

-Does anyone know where the remaining miniature envelopes with the congregation's **favourite verses** are?

-Thankyou Margaret, for taking on the position of Secretary for our congregational meetings now that Helen is unwell



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Uniting in Christ
acting with love
living with hope
witnessing in faith
working for justice

Lent 2

We seek to be a prayerful and listening church

Please note the location of the Hearing Loop in the church

*Good morning, welcome to worship at Maroochydore Uniting Church
After worship please join us to share morning tea in the Hall*

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Worship Services

English Language Sundays, 8.30am

Korean Language Sundays, 11am

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Thank you for the ongoing support for the Ministry, & Ministry of our Church. A reminder that direct deposit offering is available.

Our Church Banking Details: **UCA Maroochydore Uniting Church**
- St George Bank. BSB 334 040: Account No. 553864 511

Uniting Church Links - For Information from the Wider Church

Qld Synod Information - <https://ucaqld.com.au/>

For links an information to Synod Resources and Activities.

National Assembly News - <https://assembly.uca.org>.

Please send any notices for next week's 'Herald' to janstrudwickart@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon

Bible Readings

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Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalms 121

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17 or Matt 17:1-9 Faith is what happens when we believe in this love

Second Sunday in Lent - After the Temptation comes ...

the beginning of a people - Abram

My help comes from the Lord

Abraham, our ancestor in flesh and in faith.

15 March 2020

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

Third Sunday in Lent

God's provision and protection of Israel

an invitation to worship and praise God

we now have peace with God

a "well" of a tale

Regular Happenings Each Week

Mondays: Morning prayer in the Minister's office 8.30 am.

Pastoral visits to Lifeline/Uniting Care Community

Tuesdays: Play Group 9-11am in the Church Hall.

RI at Kuluin and Maroochydore State Schools (*during term*)

Thursdays: -Fellowship of Fixing (*Church Working Bee from 7.30am*)

-Fellowship morning tea **12th March-** @ 10am at **Banjo's** (Sunshine Plaza near Woolies). Meet at church at 9.30 for a lift.

-GROW Group meet from 5pm; NA group meet from 6.30pm

- Ladies Bible Study 2pm -4pm at the church

Fridays: NA Group meet: 4-5.30pm in Library Chapel.

Saturdays: Indoor Bowls from 1pm in Church Hall,

Sundays: AA Group meet: 5-6.30pm.

Moderator's March Prayer

- Please join us in praying together each Monday at midday:

As we take up our Lenten journey again, Lord, may we be drawn closer to You, and be freed of that which would ensnare our faith, hope and love. Rev David Baker

Worship & Coming Events February 2020

Sunday 8th March	8:30am Worship Service	Lent 2
	11am Korean Holy Communion (followed by lunch)	
	International Women's Day	
Sunday 15th March	8:30am Worship Service	Lent 3
	11am Korean Worship Service (followed by lunch)	

Prayers for our world and our people

- for all who are facing life changes at present with health, home and family.

- for the resolution to the *coronavirus* and the distress & panic being caused

- for the anxiety that violence creates in our communities and our world

- for ourselves, for Rita & Doug, Asho & June, Barb, Philip, Colin, Laurie(hip replacement), Bev (on holiday).

-Lent brings us to a different time in our Christian year.

-that International Women's Day will see women every where valuing themselves and their contributions to their communities

International Women's Day prayer

Thank you for your promise of fullness of life in Christ for all people. As we come together to celebrate International Women's Day, we ask that women worldwide experience this fullness of life in their respective contexts.

Thank you for the many strides taken towards equality. For increased numbers of girls and women receiving education, for increases in women stepping into positions of leadership, for the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women to date. We especially thank you for the men and women of history who have raised their collective voices to name the injustices and inequality that women navigate.

We confess there is still a long way to go. Across our nation we pray for an end to stereotypes that restrict the free expression of identity which you call forth.

Stereotypes of gender that restrict life rather than empower it, help us to have a robust and full view of what it means to masculine and feminine.

Forgive us for the times we have not raised our collective voices out against injustice, help us to be a community who educates ourselves in the signs of domestic violence shouting a collective no to violence against women, help us to support and celebrate women in leadership, particularly as they step into middle and senior management.

Creator God, you task us with heralding in your new Kingdom, in cooperation with your Spirit. Teach us to be a people who both model and work towards building and celebrating safe communities. May these communities grow women of courage and tenacity. In your name we pray it, and may your name be glorified in our behaviours. Amen

Rev Melanie Wheeley
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Birthdays this week: Doug Jones (9th), Graham Ashton (15th)