

Elanora

8th November 2020

Uniting Church



CHURCH COUNCIL UPDATE

At our meeting last week, we agreed to present a new logo & branding in line with our Mission and Vision at the AGM (22nd November). Our strategic plan review will take place next year.

Christmas services will be advertised later this year with a Carol service at both Elanora and Currumbin Valley being outdoors and a little different to meet COVID restrictions. We will be having a reflection weekend 5/6 December as we have lost many family and friends this year. Christmas Day will be at 9 am on that Friday and as many of our helpers are going away this year please let the office know if you will be available to help out in any capacity on that day. There will not be a service on Sunday 27th. Catherine also presented her preaching plan for the rest of the year.

Pam Ganderton presented Mervyn's financial report and although we are still well below our budget we are managing and would like to thank everyone who has been contributing.

We heard about the groups who are gradually returning to use our premises as well as a couple of new ones who are hiring rooms. Coinda has been busy and would love to have some more volunteers. Please talk to Faye Dunne if you can help in any way.

You will see an article on the following page about supporting & promoting some of the organisations who ask for help. Please consider if you can help by getting their mail and promoting them in our congregation.

We are looking for a small group of people to look after the property, contacting relevant trades to do work as needed and next year develop a maintenance plan for the property. If you can help, please let the office know.

We thanked Greg Malimonenko, Mervyn Head, and Shirley Lord for their services on Church Council. Voting at the AGM will be for these 3 and the vacant position. Catherine is working with Presbytery about how people who cannot attend in person can be involved.

Rhonda Coleman (Chair Church Council)

COULD YOU HELP?

See Rhonda Coleman to find out more....

Our church has numerous opportunities to support others who are helping people less fortunate than ourselves. Adult fellowship and Leisuretime help to support some of these groups however this is very difficult this year with such limited fund-raising activity opportunities.

If you would like to help any of the following groups either individually or by helping to promote what they do with the congregation, we would love to hear from you. Please let the office know or talk to Rhonda or Catherine as we receive mail from these groups and often do not know who to give the mail to. They are all important groups and can support them if someone promotes them locally.

- ✚ Uniting World - they support world mission in many places around the world where needs are great.
- ✚ TEAR Australia - they provide useful gifts people can purchase with funds from this supporting numerous Australian and overseas projects to help people help themselves.
- ✚ Christmas Bowl - we give out their envelopes each Christmas as they support different places each year however there is so much more we could learn about where the money goes.
- ✚ Frontier Services - part of the Uniting Church and they support patrol and outback ministry - Adult Fellowship support the flying padre but there is so much more to Frontier services.
- ✚ Scripture Union - they support RE in schools, chaplaincy and Kids Hope.
- ✚ Bible Society - they provide Bibles around the world in numerous languages which is so important at the moment when people often cannot gather for worship in many countries.

- ✚ The Word for Today - Brisbane produced 3 months of great daily devotions. We need someone to promote this or other daily Bible devotional material.
- ✚ Fair Trade - provide goods for people to purchase that helps support people to get a fair price for their work around the world.

If you are already supporting a group similar to these please let the office know as we will create a directory, so people know who to talk to if they are interested in supporting that cause. (For example, we already know Janine and Val are supporting & promoting Blair Athol and Jan is the person to talk to re Kids Hope while Jan and Michele are on the Chaplaincy Committee.) Rhonda Coleman



***Don't measure the height of the mountain.
Ponder the power of the one who made it.***

Max Lucado

SUNDAY'S READING: Matthew 25:1-13

LIVESTREAM LINK: https://youtu.be/ilGfOa_RKto

"Thank you everybody for your Birthday cards & letters. I was overwhelmed and greatly encouraged."

TOM BOYD



We all love you, Tom!

OFFERING BY DIRECT DEBIT



BANK: ST GEORGE



A/C: UCA SOUTHERN GOLD COAST

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ENVELOPES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE

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CHURCH DATABASE – We are currently checking entries on our church database. As part of this process, we are asking some people to complete a DATA CAPTURE form. You might receive a green form from us. If you do, please complete, and return it at your earliest convenience, either to the office or to the folder at the entrance to the church.

Please direct any enquiries to one of us. Thank you,

Shirley Lord and Janine Kinnear
0409 484 991 or 0402 851 349

Administration Team
(Database & Contact Book)

LOCAL M1 UPGRADES: The Project Community Relations Team offers free weekly updates by email or SMS. Contact the team: PB2T.community@seymourwhyte.com.au or phone 1800 799 824

*Pray &
Participate*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AND FOR ALL THE ACTIVITIES AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK.

Wilma O'Connor, Leanne O'Hara, Shirley Parker, Beryl Parkinson, Patricia Pedersen, Anita Preece

**"THE
WEEKLY"**

WORSHIP SERVICES – SUNDAY 8 & 15 November
9:00am – at Elanora

PRAYER MEETING – Thursday at 8:30am in the church

M	BlueCare exercise class: 8:30am – 9:30am
O	Bible Study: 1:30pm
N	Karate: 4:30pm – 7:30pm
	Home Group (video) – 7:00pm
T	Cooinda: 9am – 12 noon
U	Tai Chi: 9.30am - 11.30am
E	Carpenter's Workshop: 8am - 12noon
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E	Leisuretime: 9am – 12 noon
D	Cooinda: 9am – 12 noon
	Dwell: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
	Karate: 4.30pm - 7.30 pm
T	Cooinda: 9am – 11am
H	Keep Fit: 9am - 10 am
U	Life Skills Program: 9am - 11.30am
R	Dwell: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
F	Carpenter's Workshop: 8am- 12 noon
R	Cooinda: 9am – 12 noon
I	Karate: 6pm - 7 pm
S	Karate 8.30 - 9.30
A	Elanora Women in Recovery 2:00 – 4:00
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**CHRISTMAS at
COOINDA**

Are you thinking about Christmas shopping?

Look no further than Cooinda, open until 18th December.

Handmade gifts from \$2
Christmas Cards
A new range from the
Carpenter's Workshop

Christmas Cakes coming soon!

Volunteers always welcome.
See Faye or Pamela



HAND SANITIZER

Some people were sensitive to the perfume in the sanitizer we have been using on Sundays.

We have changed to one that does not contain synthetic perfume.