



## Welcome

GWUC is a faithful, Christ-centered community that meets God and shares in that unconditional love. We welcome all those who are worshipping with us here in the church or via our Broadcast Ministry - we are glad you are here!



### Sunday 4 December - Advent 2

8am	Contemplative	<i>Susan Karoly</i>
9.15am	Interactive (+live broadcast) <i>incl. Holy Communion</i>	<i>Rev. Neil Peters</i>
11am	Traditional (+live broadcast)	<i>Rev. Neil Peters</i>
2pm	Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom	
5pm	Dinner Church - <i>Please bring a plate of food to share</i>	

Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12

### Sunday 11 December - Advent 3

8am	Contemplative	<i>Helen Stewart</i>
9.15am	Interactive (+live broadcast)	<i>Rev. Neil Peters</i>
11am	Traditional (+live broadcast) <i>incl. Holy Communion</i>	<i>Rev. Neil Peters</i>
5pm	Indonesian Christmas Celebration	
5pm	Interactive Church - <i>Come along for a lively discussion</i>	

Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:5-10 or Luke 1:46b-55; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11



## Giving

*Please scan the QR-Code to contribute to the ministry and outreach of our Church. We appreciate your support.*

SCAN ME

## Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom

Meeting code: 980 1882 3667  
(passcode: 773026)  
or [click here](#) to log in.

## Welcome...

If you are new or visiting our church, look out for the people wearing sunflower brooches. They are part of our welcoming team, and would love to have a chat and get to know you! Also, don't forget to fill in a 'Welcome' card so that we can stay in contact.



## COVIDSafe advice...

As COVID infections remain in the community, we will continue to take all reasonable steps to protect our members & visitors from COVID infections. Following the latest government advice, face masks are strongly encouraged to be worn in indoor & crowded settings, church windows & doors may be open to allow for good airflow, and if you have symptoms you are encouraged to please stay home. For the health & safety of everyone, please continue to use sanitiser on arrival.

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## Meeting of the Congregation Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the congregation held on Sunday November 20 are available at <http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/CongMeetingMinutes20221120>. Please contact John Snare (john.snare@bigpond.com) if you have any questions/comments/corrections. If you would like a printed copy, see Joanne in the office.  
*John Snare*

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## UCAF

will meet on 6th December at 11.00 am. where the AGM and Christmas Service will take place in Room 1. Christmas lunch will follow in the Fellowship area. Members are asked to bring a plate of food to share. All are welcome. Non perishable food for GWUC Welfare may be left near the office. 2023 subscriptions of \$15 are now being collected. If you subscribe to 'Network' magazine, please pay \$20 to Norma Saxton. *All enquiries to Margaret Duncan.*

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## Christmas Bowl

Each year this congregation strongly supports the Christmas Bowl appeal. Envelopes are now available. Two examples of the work of Christmas Bowl are; through partners supporting some of the million families who have fled their homes in Ukraine; supporting partners to assist refugees who fled fighting in Syria. These refugees from Syria are struggling with food and basic care in countries like Jordan.



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## Remembrance Service

All are invited to attend a Service of Remembrance on **Tuesday 6 December at 8pm** followed by light refreshments. The service will also be available to view online at [www.gwuc.org.au/live](http://www.gwuc.org.au/live).

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## Indonesian Christmas Worship and Celebration

All are welcome to attend the Indonesian Christmas Celebration on **Sunday 11 December at 5pm**. There will be worship, then a Celebration involving singing, music, dancing and Indonesian costumes. This will be followed by an Indonesian cuisine dinner. This is always a wonderful, colourful and celebratory night. If you are coming for dinner please sign up at the office counter.

## **Worship stream may stop on Sunday**

We have been advised that we may have a power outage during worship this week with no warning, causing both the live stream and the recording to cease. United Energy cannot give us more detail, so we apologise if the live stream ends abruptly. *Technical Team*

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### **Advent Postcards - Walkers Needed**

We would like to promote our Advent Services by delivering postcards to houses in the area around the church. If you can help to letterbox-drop the postcards by Friday 9 December, please take a bundle of the postcards (about 200), with an instructions sheet and a delivery area map, from the table in the foyer. We need 9 people. Your help would be much appreciated.

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### **Chinese New Year and Lantern Festival.**

This church has been invited to participate in the Chinese New Year and Lantern Festival to be held in Kingsway on Sunday 5 February 2023. We intend to offer craft and information about our church programs. This is a great opportunity to engage with our community. We are seeking a few people to form a planning team to get this organised before Christmas. Offers to Joanne in the office please. Keep the date in mind so you can offer to help on the day.

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### **Christmas Cards**

are now available from the church office. Each pack of 10 cards is only \$11. Various designs to choose from. Your purchase of cards helps support people in crisis this Christmas through *Uniting*.

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### **"Retirement" News**

Robert Fleming has advised the church leadership that at the end of the year he will be retiring from the Organ Roster. During the combined worship on Sunday 18 December (10am), we will acknowledge Robert's many years of service. All are welcome.

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### **Nativity Worship**

Our Nativity Worship will be held on Sunday 18 December at a combined 10am service. Come along dressed as Mary, Joseph, shepherds, wise men, angels or stars and be a part of the Christmas Story. Some dress ups will be available on the day.

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### **Christmas Articles for "Kingsway"**

*Christmas* is the theme for our next edition of *Kingsway* magazine. We, the editors, invite you to join us in sharing with other church community members, in no more than 200 words, a story, or even a poem, about how you celebrate Christmas. Tell us about a family tradition, a cultural tradition, an act of kindness or an amusing event associated with a past Christmas. A photograph of your Christmas spent in another country would also be appreciated. *Kingsway* is your magazine and we would love you to send a contribution to [office@gwuc.org.au](mailto:office@gwuc.org.au) by Friday 10th December. Christmas blessings, *Joanne and David*

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### **Share The Dignity - #itsinthebag**

A big thank you to everyone who donated to the "Share The Dignity It's In The Bag". We put together 145 handbags this year. These will be very much appreciated by homeless women in the community.

## What's On...

### MONDAY 5 DECEMBER

10.00am	<b>GOMERs</b> ( <i>David Morgan 0423 127 807</i> )	Fellowship
10.00am	<b>Playgroup</b>	Room 2/3
2.00pm	<b>Leisure Time Christmas Celebration</b> ( <i>Susan Karoly 0433 692 862</i> )	Hall
8.00pm	<b>Badminton</b> ( <i>Lynne Boyer 0408 564 443</i> )	Hall

### TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER

10.00am	<b>UCAF Christmas &amp; Luncheon</b>	Chapel/Fellowship
10.00am	<b>Playgroup</b>	Room 2/3
2.00pm	<b>Meditation</b> ( <i>Susan Karoly 0433 692 862</i> )	Zoom
8.00pm	<b>Remembrance Service</b>	Church

### WEDNESDAY 7 NOVEMBER

7.00am	<b>Prayer Time</b> ( <a href="http://www.gwuc.org.au/live">www.gwuc.org.au/live</a> )	Online
4.00pm	<b>Meditation Online</b> ( <a href="http://www.gwuc.org.au">www.gwuc.org.au</a> )	Online
7.00pm	<b>Free Spirit</b> ( <i>Deb Leigh 0411 778 417</i> )	Church

### THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER

11.15am	<b>English Conversation Class</b> ( <i>Jan Clear 9803 6820</i> )	Room 4
7.30pm	<b>Monthly Reflection</b> ( <a href="http://www.gwuc.org.au/live">www.gwuc.org.au/live</a> )	Online

### FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER

9.30am	<b>Choir of Hope</b> ( <i>Deb Leigh 0411 778 417</i> )	Church
5.30/7.00pm	<b>Uthies/Youth</b>	Hall

*If no contact is listed above, please call the church office for more details.*



## SAVE THE DATES...

**Book Fair** Saturday 4 March 2023  
**Church Fete** Saturday 21 October 2023



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