

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AND REGULAR MEETINGS

Weekly at Kiama

Creative craft 9 am (school terms)

Bible study 2.00 pm Tuesday

Meditation 4 pm Wednesday

Men's shed 9.am-3pm Tues & Thurs

Friday friends 9 am-1 pm

Monthly at Kiama

Trading Table 1st Sunday of the month

Ladies' Day Fellowship 1st Thursday 9.30 am

Ladies' Evening Fellowship 3rd Monday 7.30 pm

Men's Mate Meet 3rd Tuesday 10.45 am

Prayer Group 1st Saturday 10 am

Healing Service 4th Wednesday 12.30 pm

SERVICE TIMES SUNDAY

Kiama: 9.30 am

Jamberoo: 6.15 pm (2nd Sunday) 9.00 am (4th Sunday)

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Make time for quiet moments, as God whispers and the world is loud.



QUIET TIME The Lecture Hall will be open each Sunday at 9.10 for a quiet time for reflection before church. All are welcome to spend a short time in reflection and prayer, if desired.



Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church

Sunday, 2 February 2020

POSTAL ADDRESS: PO Box 140 Kiama 2533

Induction service – Rev Katherine Merrifield. 2:00pm Saturday 8th February



You are cordially invited to attend this special Induction Service to be conducted by the Illawarra Presbytery of the Uniting Church of Australia, that will confirm the appointment of Rev. Merrifield as Minister of the Word for the Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church Congregations for an initial period of five (5) years.

Stay and join us for afternoon tea/coffee which will be served at the conclusion of the service.

Church Council Meeting

The next meeting of Church Council (and the first with Rev. Kath in attendance) will be held at 3:30pm Tuesday 11th February in the Fellowship Centre at Kiama. There is already quite a list of items to consider, but please let Janice and/or Cliff know of any items you wish to have discussed at the meeting.



Property Report

The Wheelchair Lift has been installed at Jamberoo Church to provide disabled access between the Chapel foyer and the hall.

Our Architects and planning consultants have been busy over the holidays, and we expect to receive the final Development Application plans, reports and necessary forms for the Kiama Concept Plan in the next few days. Once these are reviewed by the Property Committee and Church Council, they will be sent to Synod through the Presbytery Property & Finance Committee for signing and submission to Kiama Municipal Council. Once we receive them at the end of the month, the plans will be posted on the Noticeboard at Kiama, and are not expected to be substantially different to those currently displayed.



A Bookings Officer to take the hall bookings for the Kiama site. This does not involve looking after money as the treasurer will handle the accounts. This person needs to be available to come to the property if needed, to meet prospective users of our halls and to arrange with them to fill out our paperwork. This Bookings Officer should have an eye for detail and be able to keep a diary of events being held by both the Church and community users. Internet access would be useful. Please see Janice Freeston or Alan Fowlie if you can help the church in this way.



Homestead of Hope

The first Homestead of Hope gathering for the year will be held in Ss Peter and Paul Parish hall Kiama on Thursday 13th February 11am-2pm a light luncheon will be served at 12.30pm. All are welcome. Guest Speaker Barry Fisher. RSVP Monday 10th February let Gail know if you would like to attend.



Women's Day Fellowship will hold our first meeting of the year on Thursday 6th February at Jamberoo. Morning tea at 9.30am followed by a short meeting. Our Guest Speaker will be Geoff Boxsell telling us about the fascinating Terragong

Swamp. Please come and join us, men and women are all welcome.

Our first fund raising event for the year will be a **Fashion Parade with Stafford Fashions** on Saturday 29th February beginning at 2pm with afternoon tea. There will be sale items with 30-50 percent off most garments, and two \$25 vouchers as lucky door prizes. Make sure you have it in your diaries.



Saturday Prayer Group

The first prayer morning for 2020 will be on Saturday 1st February at 10 am at the Backs. We begin with a cuppa and a welcome chat then move into a devotional and prayer time. Everyone is welcome to come - hope to see you there.

Tuesday Bible Study

The Tuesday Bible study will recommence on Tuesday 4th February at 2 pm in the Fellowship Centre. All welcome. Bring your Bible and With Love to the World if you have one. All welcome.



The Cupid's Undie Run is an annual event that isn't about running or winning...or even undies. It's about putting the "fun" into fundraising for the **Children's Tumour Foundation (CTF)** and helping adults, children and families impacted by **Neurofibromatosis (NF)** find a

pathway from fear to hope. Cupids is coming to Kiama on February 16th, and the Szulerowski's would love any support you'd like to give. We'll be selling raffle tickets at the Kiama Farmers' Markets on January 22nd and February 12th, from 3 - 6pm. They will also happily accept donations to their team Running Undies. Jess and Julia live with the unpredictability of NF every day, and do what can be done, to raise awareness and much needed funds. Come and have a chat with them after church.

REFLECTION on Matthew 5:1-12 (Insights Magazine)

Barbara Brown Taylor in her book *An Alter in the World* describes an event where she saw a group of people act out each of the blessed statements of the Beatitudes. She describes how some of these stir within her a new understanding, a new way of reading, especially a theatrical interpretation of those who mourn.

How might your community, how might you, seek to understand in a new way the beatitudes this week? How might you seek to live them out, or learn from them anew? How do we see them coming to fulfilment among us?

As we seek to find Christ in our world and signs of God with us, I wonder if we are being pointed toward those who are poor in spirit, who mourn, who are meek, who hunger and thirst for righteousness, who are merciful, who are pure in heart, who are peacemakers, who are persecuted for righteousness and who are reviled and persecuted. And how might we respond? Micah 6 falls into our reading list this week... the start of an answer might start with doing justice, loving kindness and walking humbly.