

ALL SERVICES AND MEETINGS IN OUR FACILITIES ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

NOTE: JOIN OUR RECORDED OR ONLINE SERVICES ON OUR WEB PAGE BELOW:



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VOLUNTEERS BOOK A Volunteers Book has been left in the church porch. It **must** be completed by **all** people undertaking volunteer work on our premises. Please remember to sign out as well as signing in. We have been remiss in not observing this requirement of the UCA. It is not necessary to sign for attendance at services or meetings. For more information see Daryl Back



Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church

Sunday, 14 June 2020

Postal Address: PO Box 140 Kiama 2533

MESSAGE FROM REV KATH MERRIFIELD

Sunday 14 June - Holy Communion - 9.30am

Please join us via Zoom for a time of worship and sharing in communion together. There will be time of sharing (morning tea) after the service if you would like to stay on.

<https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/94890493686>

Or Phone: 02 8015 6011

Meeting ID: 948 9049 3686

COVID-19 Update

The current government regulations now allow religious gatherings of up to 50 worshippers. However, this comes with a range of hygiene, physical distancing and record-keeping requirements which we have to show we can fulfil before we can meet together in person. The Property Committee and the Church Council are actively working through the practicalities (for example, obtaining supplies of hand sanitiser and ensuring the required cleaning can take place) as well as the paperwork (which is required to be submitted to Presbytery). This will take some time and we ask for your patience while we work through it all. In the meantime, we will continue to worship through both online and printed materials.

Note: The easing of restrictions relates only to "places of worship" and do not extend to opening our facilities for the many community groups who meet there. We will continue to monitor the regulations and look forward to being able to open our doors to everyone.

MISSION, OUTREACH, JUSTICE SS

At the Church Council meeting this week, we agreed that we need to gather a group of people interested in helping to co-ordinate and organise the many different ways the congregation is involved in mission, outreach and justice work. If you are interested in being a part of this group, please let me know as soon as possible. It would be great to have an initial meeting (zoom, phone or otherwise) in the coming weeks.



CLIMATE ACTION

I have been attending meetings with some of our Catholic brothers and sisters interested in keeping the conversation, advocacy and action around climate change alive in Kiama and Jamberoo.

The group is currently considering affiliating formally with Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC), an inter-faith gathering of people committed to action on climate change (<https://www.arrcc.org.au>). Meetings are currently being held by Zoom, and will eventually be face-to-face again, monthly. At present, I am the only "non-Catholic" member of the group so if you are interested in joining, please let me know.

Thanks so much

blessings

Kath

Kath Merrifield

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Kath has been informed that some of the UCA folk appear in this film so...

ROSEMARY'S WAY

A wonderful documentary film, that involves a number of locals in Kiama

participating in a Cultural exchange program with migrants and refugees, has been selected for the 2020 Sydney Film Festival. Furthermore, it has been selected as a finalist in the Documentary Australia Film Awards! We are thrilled!

This will be the World Premiere season for Rosemary's Way.

The Sydney Film Festival runs from June 10 – June 21, and it will be a Virtual online streamed festival this year. That means you can watch it at your convenience in the comfort of your home, at any time of your choosing between June 10-21st for \$14. You just have to buy your own popcorn !

Rosemary's Way tells an inspiring, uplifting story about the value of diversity, connection and community in our society.

You can watch a trailer: <https://rosemaryswaythefilm.org/>

To watch the film go to the Sydney Film Festival website: <https://www.sff.org.au/>

Or go to: <https://ondemand.sff.org.au/film/rosemarys-way/>

Click on the yellow [RENT \$14.00] button and have your credit card ready.



Hats for Homeless is a Uniting Church knitters/crochet group making beanies, scarves and knee rugs for charities. They deliver them all across Sydney, in Coniston/Wollongong and Berry to name a few places. You can follow them on Facebook or I could pick up anything you might have to contribute and send them

off. They are also very happy to take any wool or yarn you no longer need. If you know of a charity or aged care facility that could use some beanies etc we could add them to the list of recipients. Just give Janice Freeston a call 0499785728 or 42322203.



In preparation for the lifting of regulations on Covid 19, Ron Stone has prepared a Medley

of Hymns and Choruses on Freedom ready for our next gathering for Hymnsing. It's an opportunity for you all to let us know a favourite Hymn or Chorus you would like us to add to the programme. Just give us a call or email Reuben 42332490 or Gail 42321630. We're feeling optimistic and enthusiastic. Thank you for your support and your prayers. Please keep praying that schools will remain a safe space for the students and staff to be at. Most importantly pray that the gospel will continue to transform lives as I teach the students.



Gracious and loving God,
You call us to love you with our whole being, and to love our neighbours as ourselves.

At this time of upheaval and distress for nations and people across our world, may your love hold us together.

May your love be the lens through which we see each other and your world.

Lord Jesus Christ, you are present with us, as one who knows our suffering, bring comfort and peace to all those who are grieving the loss of loved ones, work, connection and hope for the future.

May we embody your compassion – responding to the suffering of our neighbours, our families, our friends, and strangers with generosity.

Life-giving Spirit, you weave us together as the Body of Christ, strengthen our life together, even though we are physically separated. Nurture us in faith and discipleship, that we may bear witness through our living, to your abundant grace and liberating hope for all people, and the whole creation.

Through Christ our Life and Hope, we pray. *Amen.*

FOCUS FAMILIES

Glenice Richardson	Rosemary Richardson
Max Smith	Leanne Cleve & Henry Smith
Meredith & Ian Yabsley	Pam Waters
Carol Viellars	Ralph & Julia Szulerowski



LINDA SCHERLOWSKI
REGISTRAR

CALDERWOOD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
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We are excited to share with you information for our Try Year 7 Day for students entering Year 7 in 2021/2022.

When: Wednesday 1 July 2020

Where: Calderwood Christian School - 234 Calderwood Road,
Calderwood

Time: 8.45am to 3.30pm

Calderwood Christian School (CCS) is located in a delightful rural setting in the Calderwood Valley with approximately 320 students from Prep (3 year olds) to Year 12 enrolled. We are a community that educates children in a Christian environment where each student is given the opportunity to excel. The positive partnership between parents and school, the dedicated teaching staff and supportive peer relationships create a wonderful learning environment where all students are encouraged to fulfill their God given potential.

In this age of increasing intolerance of the Christian stance on marriage, gender, who created our world and Jesus, CCS provides a Bible-based, Christ Centred education that partners with parents to develop critical thinking skills in our students to passionately follow Christ and boldly proclaim what He has done for our world.

Our Mission: In Christ's service, to partner with parents in providing a quality Christian Education founded on the word of God.



PROPERTY REPORT

Church Council on Tuesday approved the various project recommendations listed in last week's Newsletter. In summary:

- * The builders quote for demolition of the Fellowship Centre stage, laying of a concrete floor and construction of a new (smaller) timber stage was approved and we hope this work will commence as soon as possible,
- * A new contract was signed with our Architect to prepare final construction diagrams and building specifications for the new toilets, kitchen, foyer/meeting area and new entrance at Kiama. This will facilitate the receipt of firm building quotes in the months to come,
- * Church Council, Presbytery Property and Synod Property Services have this week signed off on submission of a Community Building Participation Grant application for \$30,000 Which would allow us to seek approval to construct a new disabled Unisex toilet with internal access from Jamberoo Church Hall. It also includes accessible covered pathways to the old toilets and foyer.

Cliff