



## Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church

Sunday, 12 September 2021

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Pent 15 [23] Prv 22:1-2,8-9, (11-13) Ps 125 Jas 2:1-10, 14-17 Mk 7:24-37 22-23

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# CHURCH COUNCIL

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Each year, the congregation is asked to appoint people from among our members to participate in the **Church Council**. The main role of the **Church Council** is to:

- build the congregation up in faith and love [encouraging, nurturing, challenging];
- sustain us all in hope [keeping our eyes fixed on God's promise of new life]; and
- lead us to a fuller participation in Christ's mission in the world [inspiring our discipleship and participation in mission and attending to all the practicalities that support our activities].

These things happen in lots of different ways and so the **Church Council** needs people with a wide range of skills and passions to help us all to be the people God has called us to be. Importantly, it means having a heart for the people who are already part of the congregation as well as a heart for ministry in our wider community.

The **Church Council** shares with the Minister in **the pastoral care and spiritual oversight** of the congregation. This doesn't mean the Church Council members do all the pastoral visiting and leading worship, rather it means that the Church Council ensures that the pastoral needs of the congregation are met and that the worship and teaching life of the congregation is healthy. Some members of Church Council have a particular pastoral role and are especially attentive to the spiritual health of the congregation (these members are designated "Elders").

The **Church Council** is also responsible for **attending to the physical and administrative needs** of the congregation including financial management, property maintenance, safety, record-keeping, etc. And so some members of the Church Council bring a variety of particular gifts and skills such as financial expertise, property maintenance, administrative skills, etc.



Is **God** calling you to serve on **Church Council**? Nominations are now being sought for election in October. Feel free to talk with Kath, Janice or any one of the current members of **Church Council**.

At Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church, the **Church Council** also has a number of **sub-Committees** that do some of the day-to-day work as well as planning specific events and dreaming for the future. These include the Mission Committee, Worship Committee, and the Finance and Property Committee. You don't need to be on **Church Council** to participate in these Committees so if you have a particular passion or interest, let us know.

Here are some notices for this week:

## Worship

**Sunday 12 September** - a service of Communion via Zoom at 9.30am on Sunday morning. Bring some **bread and juice** ready to share.

[https://uca-](https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/93369011990?pwd=bnAxcVZEblkvU1lqRTcrT3B5WHVLUTo9)

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**Meeting ID:** 933 6901 1990

**Passcode:** 893530

**Or phone:** 02 8015 6011



If you are unable to join us online, written and video resources will be posted to the Church website.

**Sunday 19 September** - online, followed by Zoom morning tea at 10.30am



**Elders and Pastoral Partners** meeting on **Monday 13 September** at 3.30pm (online)

Church Council meets on Tuesday 14 September at 3.30pm (online). Please be praying for the members of the Church Council.

**Eco-Walk** - please note this has been postponed to **Saturday 20 November**

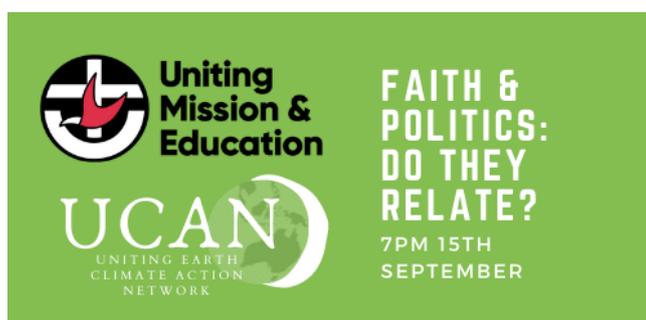


Rev Kath Merrifield

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## Other Activities



**Faith and Politics: Do They Relate?**

Wednesday 15 September, 7pm - online

Register at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/166009600183>

See flyer (attached)



*Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church  
Notice of Annual Congregational Meeting -  
Sunday 17 October 2021*

Our meeting will be held after the morning service in Kiama unless Covid 19 regulations force us to go on-line.

*Annual Report*

Consideration of our Annual Report will be on the Agenda. The report is being prepared and will be distributed in advance of the

meeting.

*Church Council Elections*

Election of members of the Church Council will also be on the Agenda. There are 15 members of the Church Council and, for most of the elected members, their term of office expires this year. At our meeting on 17 October, the position of each Church Council member will be:

Position	Name	Term
Elder	Rhonda Back	Current until October 2021*
Elder	Maurice Barton	Current until October 2022
Elder	Marion Haigh	Current until October 2021*
Elder	Val Mason	Current until October 2023
Elder	Wendy Fenton	Current until October 2021*
Elder	Michele Broad	Current until October 2021*
Elder	Marion Rattray	Current until October 2021*
Congregation Representative	Daryl Back	Current until October 2021*
Congregation Representative	Geoff Boxsell	Current until October 2021*
Congregation Representative	Alan Fowlie	Current until October 2021*
Congregation Representative	David Freeston	Current until October 2021*
Congregation Representative	Cliff Mason	Current until October 2021*
Minister, Member	Rev Kath Merrifield	
Chairperson	Rev Janice Freeston	
Presbytery Representative	Meredith Yabsley	Current until October 2021*

**\* Will need to nominate to remain on Council**

Nomination forms for the position of Elder and Congregational Representative will be attached to future editions of the Church Newsletter. Daryl and Kath will also have copies. **Nominations will close on Friday 1 October, 2021**

### *Key dates for 2021 AGM:*

<b>Congregational AGM</b> (suggested date):	Sunday 17 October 2021
Pre-AGM Church Council Meeting (Review Annual Report & Nominations progress)	Tuesday 12 October 2021
<b>Announcement of Nominees for Election:</b> 2021 (at the Sunday services)	Sunday 3 October & 10 October
<b>Close of Nominations:</b>	Friday 1 October 2021
Deadline for AGM Reports for Publication:	Friday 1 October 2021
Call for Nominations & Notice of AGM: (Nomination Forms to be available)	Sunday 12, 19 & 26 September 2021
<b>Comments or questions : Daryl 0421 153 232</b>	



**The Property & Finance Committee** met on Tuesday, and it is clear that we will now need to utilise the \$50,000 Presbytery Building Contingency Fund that was offered to us and approved at February Congregational Meeting. The additional cost of grounds landscaping and the sealed car park required by Council and some other items will mean that our Proceeds of Sale and Building Fund donations will not cover the total cost, despite having received recently a very generous anonymous donation of \$10,000. We will need to repay the Presbytery fund over a two-year period commencing in January and so will need to watch our funds closely.

Work on preparing the grounds for the car park and landscaping has started with the demolition this week of the old red brick garage. See the before and after photos below. It certainly opens up the area and pre-sets a much better view of the renovated Lecture Hall from both Bong Bong Street and Manning Street. Tiling of the bathrooms has commenced this week.

Repair work on the roof of **Jamberoo Church** and the Foyer there has also commenced to fix some water leaks that became evident in the last few storms. Hopefully, it won't be too long before we can meet together once again in both our lovely worship spaces.

*Cliff*

*Before:*



*After:*



***DARN IT!*** We have been offered 8 formally very good woollen men's jumpers, that I have offered to Janice if an excellent darning can be found. Do we have any offers? Thanking you in anticipation. **Contact**  
Marion R 0417936886



*"The heavens declare the glory of God, the skies proclaim the work of his hands." Psalm 19:1*



into their lives.

### *Let us Pray*

God your glory fills the heavens and all that you have created bears your mark.

We pray for this creation; we ask forgiveness for the ways we have disfigured it,

We pray for those who cannot enjoy the warm sun or the cool night:

those imprisoned or alone,

those who are ill or infirm,

those who mourn.

Use all of us, our hearts, our hands to bring your wondrous power and love

*James Hart Brumm*

### *Pray for our Focus Families:*

Evelaine Berry  
Val Best  
Daphne & John Blackler  
Marie Bone  
Sandra & Barry Booth  
Karen Bowie



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