



## Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church

Sunday, 28 November 2021

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### **Worship**

**Sunday 28 November** – Advent 1 - 9.30am at Kiama

**Sunday 5 December** - Advent 2 - 9.30am at Kiama - Celebrating the Opening of our new facilities

### **This Week**

**Monday 29 November** - Mission Conversations - 10.30am at Jamberoo

**Tuesday 30 November** - Men's Shed

**Tuesday** - Bible Study at Kiama at 2pm

**Wednesday 1 December** - ARRCC meeting at 10am

**Wednesday 1 December** - Music Practice at 11.15am

**Wednesday 1 December** - Meditation at Kiama at 4pm (last gathering for 2021)

**Thursday 2 December** - Men's Shed

**Thursday 2 December** - Ladies Fellowship at Kiama from 9.30am

**Saturday 4 December** - Election Day - BBQ and Stall at Kiama from 8am



Let us  
go  
rejoicing  
to the  
house  
of the  
Lord.



### **Church Office**

The church office is now attended **Monday-Thursday 9.30am-4pm**. Drop in for a chat or come and sit in the gardens and enjoy the beautiful outdoor space.

### **Advent Resources**

Several resources for Advent have been emailed to people on our email list this week. There is a devotional booklet, an Advent Calendar for use by the whole family and an introduction to our theme for worship. There are some printed copies available at the church (and copies will be delivered to people on our delivery list). If you have missed out, or you would like additional copies, please let Kath know.

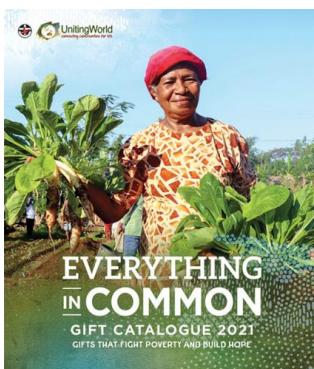


## Alcohol Policy

As we receive inquiries about the use of the various spaces at Kiama, some groups have asked whether it is possible to serve alcohol on the premises. It is proposed that this would be permitted on a case-by-case basis, allowing the service of alcohol with a meal or community event (eg, a book launch or fundraising event or the like). We would not permit the sale of alcohol, nor would we be hiring the facilities for events that are considered higher risk (such as an 18th or 21st birthday party). We may also consider charging a higher rental fee for such events, or require a higher deposit be paid.



While the decision to permit alcohol on the premises will be made by the Church Council, we want to give an opportunity for people to respond. If you have concerns, or would like to discuss this more, please be in touch with one of our Church Council members or feel free to speak to or email Kath.



## Uniting World

The Everything In Common gift shop will be available next Sunday 5 December - come ready to buy gifts for your friends and family that will make a difference in fighting poverty and building hope.

## School Chaplaincy

Are you interested in chaplaincy in public schools? *Generate* is hosting an information evening (online) on Tuesday 7 December. See here for registration details.

A promotional banner for school chaplaincy. On the left, a red vertical bar contains text: "Have you ever considered working in public schools ministry as a Chaplain or SRE Teacher? Want to find out more?", "Join us for our online Open Evening", "Tuesday 7th December 7.30pm", and "Register at bit.ly/30wo4nE". To the right is a photograph of three students in school uniforms sitting outdoors. A circular graphic on the right says "Serve in Schools Ministry" and "generate A member of the SU Australia family". The background of the banner features a colorful illustration of a city skyline with landmarks like the Sydney Opera House.



## Refugee Advocacy and Support

#StopTheShame is a community action group made up of people in the Shoalhaven and Illawarra region concerned about Australia's asylum seeker policies.

The Stop the Shame committee are holding a fundraiser on **Wednesday, 15th December** at the Berry Uniting Church Hall in response to the Refugee Council of Australia who is supporting the Canadian

sponsorship scheme called Operation Not Forgotten. If they can raise \$500,000 by Christmas, they have the opportunity to put forward 30 more sponsorship applications.

The evening involves a simple meal (choice of 4 soups and bread) and a film.

Cost: \$50 + \$? Drink

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Rev Kath Merrifield

Minister

Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church

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And from Margaret:



### *Homestead of Hope*

*Homestead of Hope is hosting a fashion parade on Saturday 4 December at 10.30am at Maci Collections, Shop 40, Collins Street, Kiama. Entry is \$10 and includes morning tea.*

Enquiries: Angie Micallef 0404 856 379



### *Mission Boxes*

November is Mission Box month. Could anyone with boxes please pass them onto **Marie Bone** with the number.

## *Ladies Fellowship - 2 December*

Our next gathering is our **Christmas Meeting**, where did that year go? ...

Stephanie is coming along to challenge and inform with her devotions. From experience Stephanie always finds something challenging for us with her message.

Our activity will be: "**Ladies behaving badly**"

.... only in a fun way.

Bring along a gift valued around \$5, pop it in the basket. Please make sure that it is securely wrapped and no cheating eyes can see through the wrapping. Be ready for lots of fun and laughter.

Looking forward to a fun day

Val





## Kiama Uniting Church Creative Craft Group

have been unable to meet for some time, however, we are planning to have morning tea in the Fellowship Centre on **Monday 6th December at 10am**. If you know of any members who would like to come along please let them know.

Gail

## Mission Conversations

As we get excited about the completion of the buildings at Kiama, and as we emerge from Covid19 restrictions, now is the time to begin putting into action all the hope and dreams we have about how the building can be used and what activities we want to offer to the wider community from both Kiama and Jamberoo.

Join us for a time of reflection on where we have come from through the last 2 years, and where God is leading us now. In preparation, you might like to give some thought to:

- what you have learned over these past 2 years?
- what have you noticed about our local community?
- who are your neighbours and what do they yearn for?
- what or who are you most concerned for?



There are three time slots to choose from – or let Kath know if none of them suit and, if there is enough interest, we can try to find another time:

- Wednesday 24 November: 1pm-3pm or 7pm-9pm at Kiama
- Monday 29 November: 10.30am-12.30am at Jamberoo  
(One more chance to participate on Monday at 10.30am at Jamberoo)

Rsvp to: [revkath@ozemail.com.au](mailto:revkath@ozemail.com.au)

**HELP NEEDED!**

## Saturday 4 December 2021 – Election Day!

Helpers are needed at Kiama anytime between 8am and 2pm to set-up, run and clean-up for a BBQ and stall. If you can offer an hour or two, please let Michele or Kath know.





## Sunday 5 December 2021 – Opening Day!

Helpers are needed to prepare and serve morning tea. If you can help, please let Janice, Kath, Rhonda, Marion Haigh or Meredith know.

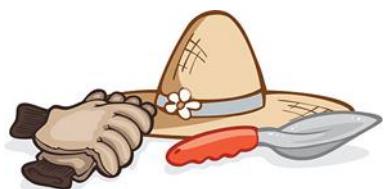


## Christmas Day

We are planning to host a lunch at Kiama Church for anyone who might be on their own this year. If you would like to help in any way, please talk to Ralph Szulerowski, or send us an email at [kiamaunigintchurch@outlook.com](mailto:kiamaunigintchurch@outlook.com) and we will put you in touch.



**KIAMA GROUNDS WORKING BEES** - These will be held starting at around 1:30pm each Friday for the next 2-3 weeks. The aim is to clear the whole site of any rubbish, spread more garden mulch, prepare three 5 metre strips near Bong Bong Street side of the car park for laying additional turf, and maintaining the new lawns and gardens. So come prepared with gloves, rakes, spades, mattocks or whatever you think may assist.



This December, **Lifeline South Coast** is taking to Wollongong Mall to spread hope and gift wrap up Christmas presents If you have a few hours to spare this festive season and want to help raise funds for our life-saving services. There are lots of shifts available, so make volunteering even more fun by doing it with your colleagues, friends and family.

Follow the link below to register:

<https://www.lifelinesouthcoast.org.au/gift-wrapping/>



## For your Diary

Some good news Ladies, something for you to look forward to in the new year. **Stafford Fashions** will be holding a **Fashion Parade** in the Fellowship Centre on **Saturday 5th February at 2pm**. Helen is beginning to take booking once again, after so long when we could do very little. **Make sure you have it in your diaries.**

thanks Gail



## **In Jeremiah 33 we read:**

14 "The days are coming,' declares the LORD, 'when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah. 15 "In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line; he will do what is just and right in the land. 16 In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it[a] will be called: 'The LORD Our Righteous Saviour.'



### **Let us pray**

In this Advent of expectation draw us together in unity, that our praise and worship might echo in these walls and also through our lives.

In this Advent of expectation draw us



together in mission, that the hope within might be the song we sing, and the  
In this Advent of together in service, that the from a stable to a glimpse

*Amen*

### **Please pray for our Focus Families:**

**Shirley and Alan Rowe**

**Leanne, Cleve and Henry Smith**

**Max Smith**

**Vera Smith**

melody of our lives.  
expectation draw us path we follow might lead us of eternity.

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