



## **Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church**

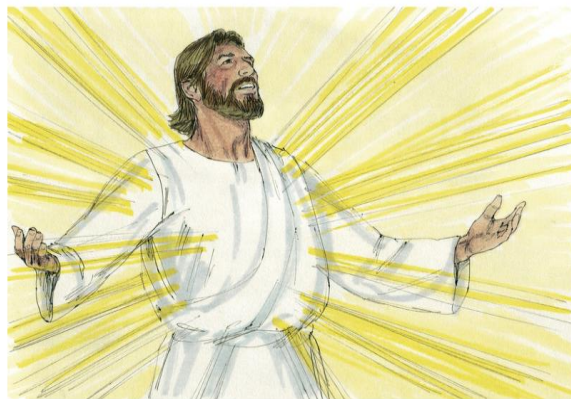
Sunday, 19 February 2023

Postal Address: PO Box 140 Kiama 2533

Exodus 24:12-18, Psalm 2 or Psalm 99, 2 Peter 1:16-21, Matth 17:1-9

Transfiguration Sunday

[Last Sunday before Lent]



### **Worship**

**Sunday 19 February - 9.30am at Jamberoo** - followed by morning tea and then lunch at the Jamberoo Bowling Club

**Wednesday 22 February - Ash Wednesday** - 7.30pm at Kiama - bring your palm cross

**Sunday 26 February - Lent 1** - 9.30am at Kiama

### ***This Week***

Sunday 19 February - Service of Commissioning for KBECET - Gerringong Uniting Church, 2pm

Monday 20 February - Craft at Kiama, 9.00am

Wednesday 22 February - Meditation at Kiama, 4pm; Ash Wednesday Service at 7.30pm

Saturday 25 February - Working Bee at Kiama, 10am

### ***Working Bee***

We will be having a general working bee on **Saturday, 25 February at 10 am** at Kiama, to garden and do general cleaning and other jobs. If you can spare a few hours, I am sure you will enjoy the company of other hardy souls who come to keep our property looking great and working well. Please talk to **Jill Lambert** about your availability.



## Coming Up

Friday 3 March - World Day of Prayer - 10am at Kiama Baptist Church

Saturday 4 March at Jamberoo, 10am-12pm Retreat and Reflection

Join us as we explore our theme for Lent: "**Seeking: honest questions for deeper faith**". There will be time for prayer, quiet reflection - on your own or in a small group.

*Bring your lunch if you wish to stay and chat afterwards.*

Throughout the season, you might like to take time to go deeper into the questions we will be exploring in worship - there is a devotional booklet with poetry, art, reflection and music to go deeper each week and/or there is a set of cards with a question and prayer to consider each day. Please add your name to the list on the noticeboard if you would like printed or emailed versions of these.

## Other News:

**KBECET** (Kiama Board for the Employment of Christian Education Teachers)

Our church continues to support the work of KBECET and the employment of a Christian Education Teacher at Kiama High School. We are currently looking for someone to represent us on the Board.

The Board meets monthly at 3.30pm on the first Wednesday afternoon. Are you interested in Christian education, particularly in our schools? Please speak with Marion Haigh or with Kath.

## Funding our 2023 Mission & Outreach

There are still many things that must be done to complete the opening up and welcoming nature of our Church properties at Kiama and Jamberoo, such that local community members feel comfortable and safe in visiting us, attending functions and joining in worship.

We have also commenced our **fundraising drive** to cover the shortfall in funds needed to finish the property work at both sites.



At the annual general meeting, our Treasurer, **Geoff Boxsell**, brought the finances to our attention. He **praised the work** of those who help with putting together and keeping track of our finances, including the Presbytery **Book Keeper**, Pauline, and the **Stewards** who faithfully collect, count and bank the offering each week. He also brought to our attention that over the past couple of years most of us haven't been able to get away or travel as much as we have in the past, he even suggested there may be a few extra shekels in the tin.

That said, the Property and Finance Committee is bringing back a wonderful weekly offering suggestion, given to us by **Ralph Szulerowski**, several years ago. Many members of the congregation use the direct deposit scheme for providing their weekly offering and the P&F Committee would like to invite those who do, to think about adding **gold coins** to the offering bag each week. *Thank you.*

*Meredith*



## *Bay and Basin Food Pantry*

**Thank you** so much everyone for your ongoing support of this ministry down the coast. We are reaching more and more households each week and are delighted with the reception we are also receiving from members of the local community as well as businesses.

Leading up to Christmas we gave out **35 hampers** as well as the two bags of ordinary food and grocery items per household. We received two large cash donations which made this possible. The team has been kept very busy.

Could I please ask you to once again focus on donations of **non perishable food items** or **baking slices and scones** to be left in the church freezer. (A huge thank you to those who already do this.) While other clothing and household items can be useful, **food** is the greater need.



## **Prayer for Families**

Lord Jesus,

You humbled yourself and came among us. You lived in family. You created a group of disciples and loved and taught them. You had friends that were like family to you and you were there for them.

You are the centre of our family. ...our individual family, our church family and our community

which forms many groups that act as family to many.

Be with our family .

Let your peace be with us.

Help us to seek and do your will in all we do and say.

Guide us, Jesus, in our family decisions,

in our financial needs and worries,

in our work, our play, and our study.

Give us strong faith;

strengthen our relationship with you.

O Lord, keep us on the path to the Father.

Amen

*Please pray for our Focus Families:*

Karen and Neil Douglas  
Wendy Fenton and Tom  
Rodgers  
Alan Fowlie  
Janice and David Freeston  
Jeanette Gilbert



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