



Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church

Sunday, 14 January 2024

Postal Address: PO Box 140 Kiama

1 Sam 3:1-10 (11-20); Ps 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

Worship Times

Sunday 14 January – 9.30am at Kiama (Communion)

Please note: Slow Dough is now open Friday-Sunday so if you are unable to find parking in the front carpark on Sunday morning, please use the back carpark, accessed from Manning Street via the lane. We will open the back door for folk who need direct access.

Sunday 21 January – 9.30am at Kiama

Coming Up

Annual Book Sale – Saturday 27 January, 2024

Thank you to the people who have signed up to help with the book sale. It is greatly appreciated and we look forward to working together. We are now able to start storing the books in the back of the church. Please stack them neatly so that they aren't too much of an eyesore.

Kiama Council is closing Bong Bong St for the duration of the Show so we won't be asking people who park in the car park for a donation.

Are there any volunteers left who might be available to go on a roster for the bbq? It seems like a great opportunity to draw people in with the aroma of cooking onions. If you can help, speak with Janice or send her an email jfreeston7@gmail.com



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Lay Leaders' Retreat 2024 - Saturday, 3 February 2024

"In Joyful Obedience"

For Church Council members, small group leaders, Elders and Pastoral Partners, musicians and anyone interested in a day of reflection, connection and growth. The theme is drawn from the hymn "Lord of creation, to you be all praise," and will guide the day, especially verse 2. Every phrase in that verse has something for us to reflect on as lay leaders in the church (and the ordained too!).

This is an opportunity to recharge, connect, and reinforce your leadership journey.

Led by: Rev. Dr. Peter Walker, Principal of United Theological College.

Learn more about Peter here <https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/team/rev-dr-peter-walker/>


Morning and Afternoon Tea, Tea, Coffee, Juice provided. BYO Lunch.

RSVP: Admin.ip@nswact.uca.org.au

Suicide Prevention Workshop



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FREE SUICIDE PREVENTION SKILLS TRAINING WORKSHOP

- 4 hour in-person workshop
- Learn how to see the signs, ask about suicide directly, and connect people to further safety

DATE: Saturday 10th February, 2024

TIME: 9am – 1pm

LOCATION: Kiama Uniting Church,
48 Manning St, Kiama

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If we learn these skills as a collective, we are supporting a whole generation of children to manage these feelings and seek the necessary help.

-Kirstyn, Mother of 4 and Teacher

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Bookings Essential

Contact Kath: revkath@ozemail.com.au

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Adult Craft resumes on 5 February, 2024

Men's Mate Meet resumes on 20 February, 2024

News

Act For Peace - Christmas Bowl

All offerings received at our Christmas Eve (evening) and Christmas Day services will be given to the Christmas Bowl. If you would still like to contribute it is not too late! If you would like to make a donation electronically, please use the link:

<https://christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au/1221169>.

Or use the QR code here or on the poster in the church.

Or, there are still envelopes available at the church entrance where you can either use cash or credit card. Don't forget to fill in your details on the envelope if you need a receipt.



Property Update

With the opening of *Slow Dough* this weekend (Friday to Sunday), we can anticipate a greater flow of people and vehicle traffic across the property at Kiama. Please be patient as we work through the practical aspects of sharing the space.

Church Council is meeting this Tuesday to discuss the repair/replacement of the roof on Uniting House. This is will be a significant cost to our budget

Can You Help?

Lids4kids is a volunteer project to rescue plastic bottle lids from landfill to protect our environment for future generations and wildlife. Once processed these lids are sent to recycling workshops to create sustainable products such as park benches, kitchen splashbacks, skateboards and cubbyhouse roof tiles. They also collect used plastic and foil medicine blister packs.

There is a box at the back of the Worship Centre to place your donations. They are then taken to The Kiama Community Garden where they are collected and sent to Canberra for processing.

More information at: <https://www.lids4kids.org.au>



Pews for Sale: Church Council and the Property Committee have agreed to sell the longer of the red cedar pews at Jamberoo and to replace them with chairs. We will retain the 4 or so shorter pews and a couple of longer pews; the rest are up for grabs - so we are offering them first to you and to anyone you may know before we advertise them more widely. **They are \$400 each, ono,** and you will need to arrange pick-up. If you are interested, please speak to Meredith or one of the Property Committee.



Tea Towels: it seems that the tea towel supply in the kitchen at Kiama is dwindling. If you have any spares at home that are in reasonably good condition, feel free to add them to the drawer.



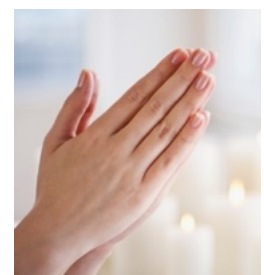
Bay and Basin Food Pantry

So far January has been a little quieter than usual which has given the volunteer team a bit of time to recover from the extremely busy weeks leading up to and including Christmas. On top of the usual groceries, we were able to give each household an extra bag of Christmas food and a bundle of gifts made by a member of the church. These were greatly appreciated. The Baptists and Anglicans in the Jervis Bay Area are regular supporters and, as other businesses and groups hear about the pantry, they too are offering support. When people are told of Kiama Jamberoo's contributions, they are blown away by your generosity.

Please pray for the volunteers as they build relationships with people and hear some very difficult stories.

Prayer

For all the possibilities ahead in this New Year,
make us thankful, O God
Give us wisdom, courage and discernment
in the face of so much chaos, despair and fear.
Help us to see how, in our circumstances,
we can contribute towards peace, faith and love;
and give us the will to translate our desires into actions.
Amen



And, from the Mother's Union Anthology of Public Prayers -
God bless our year, giving us
time for the task
peace for the pathway
wisdom for the work
friends for the fireside, and
love to the last.
Amen

Focus Families

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Donations welcome to either:

Kiama UC - Jamberoo Building Fund Account:

BSB 634 634 A/c No. 100079849

Kiama UC Transaction Manager Account

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