



ROSEVILLE UNITING CHURCH

“Sharing the love & welcome of Jesus”



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Tell me a story!

A universal cry - down the generations, across cultures, heard in word and music, seen in art, carvings, caves, glass and stone: tell me a story! It is through story that humans have imparted knowledge, folklore, traditions, moral values and more.

Our Wednesday small group is thinking about this as we recall stories that have been important for us. We're wondering: Why are stories so significant? Why do we recall so readily some characters, plots, places, issues? What stories do we want to hand on to others?

Of course, the master storyteller was Jesus himself. How many of his parables/stories can we name? Why is it that some characters – the good Samaritan, the prodigal son - are part of everyday usage some 2000 years on? Just go to the Resource Centre and find 'The Return of the Prodigal Son', author Henri Nouwen, based on Rembrandt's painting in the Hermitage Museum, St Petersburg – one of our much-borrowed books.

But it is the life-story of Jesus himself and the stories that Jesus told that continue to guide and challenge us. Each year we retell, we re-enact the life-story of Jesus, wondering: are we still able to experience fresh insights? Does the story of Jesus still have the power to encourage and strengthen, surprise and lead us on? Do the stories that he told still guide our steps, even in our very different world?

We'll discover this as we stand back and look at our own life story – made up of day-by-day events, shared with others - our longer story always taking shape. And when we do stop to reflect, can we see where our story is informed by the life of Jesus and the stories that he told?

Yes, we tell our stories, and we also sing our story. We 'celebrate in parable and story', we 'sing the wondrous story' and we hand it on 'to children's children and forever more'.

So, what are our stories – our personal stories? What is the ongoing story of our Roseville Uniting Church community? All these stories are worth telling, worth sharing.

**This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Saviour all the day long.**

-Margot

Sunday July 14th

<https://roseville.unitingchurch.org.au/livestream>

9.30am **Worship Service with Amanda Jones**
In person and online...

11.00am **Second Cuppa Group**

5.30pm **Worship Service with Amanda Jones and Dan Reeve**
In person and online...

Bible Readings from the Lectionary:

2 Samuel 6: 1-5, 12b-19
Psalm 24
Ephesians 1: 3-14
Mark 6: 14-29

What's on this week...

Fri: Christian Meditation 2.30pm

Sunday July 21st

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9.30am **Worship Service with Stuart Powell and Pauline Callan**
Organist: Sean Weatherley
In person and online...

5.30pm **Worship Service with Stuart and Sonia Powell**
In person and online...

Bible Readings from the Lectionary:

2 Samuel 7: 1-14a
Psalm 89: 20-37
Ephesians 2: 11-22
Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56



VENUE:
Novotel Paramatta on Burrumattagal land.

[Website Link](#)

Links

[Service live \(or replay\) streaming](#)

[Zoom \(for meetings\)](#)

[Church website](#)

[Chris' sermons](#)

Church Family News

Our thoughts are with Sonia Powell, following the death of her sister Dr Kirsten Harley on 30 June after her long journey with MND.

A celebration of her life will be held at Pitt Street Uniting Church on Friday 19 July at 2.15 for a 2.30 start.

**FOREST KIRK
UCA**

July 18, 7:30pm

Renowned theologian and author

Grace Ji-Sun Kim

on faith, the Church, & the Holy Spirit



Join us in prayer....

God of compassion, God-with-us, be with all those attending the 17th Assembly in Parramatta—in their worship, in their discernment and decision-making.

As we witness your blessings in the life of the UCA, we continue to respond in wonder, in thanks and praise.

We give thanks for newly-elected President Rev Charissa Suli. May your grace continue to bless her and keep her.

Break into our lives, rekindle our hope and breathe love into our communities, that we might find new ways of supporting and upholding one another, bearing witness to your inclusive love of family, friend, neighbour and stranger alike.

In faith, hope and love, in the name of Jesus, we pray.



ORDINATION OF

LIAM McKENNA

AS A MINISTER OF THE WORD
BY PRAYER AND THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

**27 JULY 2024 AT 2:00PM
NEUTRAL BAY UNITING CHURCH
49 YEO STREET, NEUTRAL BAY**



An offering will be taken up to support Candidates in the Presbytery



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