

Giving to the church

In person at worship.

Giving Direct, talk to Wayne Read or Margaret Gregory to set this up.

Electronic transfers, i.e. internet banking can be made to our account:

Account Name. Broken Bay Uniting Church
BSB. 634 634
Account Number. 100018346

Identify deposit as Offering. or REM/ Youthlife, Lent Event etc.

For information on leaving a bequest, please speak with Margaret Gregory

To register for any activity, <https://rsvp.church/r/5dwoluyS>
or contact the Church office on 4341 8536 on Friday morning
between 9.30 am and Middyay.

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SAVE THE DATE

Sunday 23rd May is **PENTECOST** Sunday.

The Ministers Association is planning a combined picnic lunch.
More details to come.

When my arms can't
reach people who are
close to my heart...

I
always
hug them
with my
prayers.



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THE GRAPEVINE

The weekly News sheet of the Ettalong and
Umina Uniting Churches
21st March 2021



WORSHIP SERVICES

THIS WEEK - Fifth Sunday in Lent

Friday 19 th March	UMINA	4:45 pm	Family Fun Night
Sunday 21 st March	UMINA	9.30 am	Rev Patty Lawrence

NEXT WEEK - Sixth Sunday in Lent

Friday 26 th March	UMINA	4:45 pm	Family Fun Night
Sunday 28 th March	UMINA	9.30 am	Rev Patty Lawrence

A few notes from Patty:

This evening is **Sunday Space**, you are welcome to come and reflect, ponder and discuss issues of faith. 5.00 pm at Umina, bring a drink and snack. This is a place where you can invite people who might describe themselves as spiritual but not religious. Previous Church experience is not required.

Youthlife: with Sven moving, we have a vacancy on the Youthlife Board. If you are interested in finding out more, please speak with Margaret Read.

What is happening with the **Ettalong** buildings?

With reduced numbers attending worship, the Church Council have decided to stay with one Sunday morning worship service. The numbers allowed under COVID regulations mean that the Ettalong church or hall are not big enough. The Church Council has set up a working group to look at future possibilities for the Ettalong property. These include redevelopment, upgrading the current buildings, or leaving as is.

Until recently Alison has continued to clean the buildings, she has now moved to Sydney, so will not be cleaning anymore. There will be a working bee to tidy the garden and clean the building, after Easter.

GRAPEVINE ITEMS — Danielle will be preparing the Grapevine, please send all items to Patty by noon Wednesday.

SECURITY

Please do not be in the church buildings on your own, if you are there outside of meeting times, please arrange for another person to be with you. This is for your safety.

A reminder to write in the sign in book.

PRAYER POINTS

- We pray with Hardy's Bay Community Church
- And Mannering Park Uniting Church
- We pray for those who are sick, those who have lost loved ones and others with special needs— Coral Tauro, Connie Watts, Debra Stewart and Joice Tee. [For inclusion of a name for the prayer list permission must be given by the person named]
- We pray for our KidsHope volunteers
- We pray for Uniting Family support services
- We join in prayer with people from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania

Crumble the walls

God, we pray:
crumble the walls that still separate Christians,
and create a unity, according to your heart and will.
Accept us as we are, but mould us as you want us to be,
and help us become the leaven of unity and love
in our country and around the world.

(Zbigņevs Stankevičs, the Archbishop Metropolitan of the Roman Catholic Church in Latvia, from: WCC NEWS)

Stay with us

Oh God,
we don't know what lies ahead.
Therefore stay with us, so that we may stay in you
and confess your name to the end.
Amen

(© Ove Sander, Estonia)

THIS WEEK

Sunday Space: 5.00 pm at Umina. reflection and discussion.

Sunday afternoon zoom chat: 5.00 pm talk to Patty for the link and phone number

Monday Prayer meeting: meets at 9.00 a.m. via zoom

Bible study: Monday at Umina Church at 10.30am till 11.30am.

Lent Event Study: Tuesday 7.30 pm on zoom

Wednesday Wanderers: March 24, outside Ettalong Diggers at 11am for a walk. Then lunch at the Diggers at Noon. Please let Anna 0478912486 or Cathy 0408866095 know if you are coming for lunch so they can make a booking.

Friday Night Tennis: contact Keith Wood

EASTER SERVICES

28th March 9.30 am Palm Sunday

28th March 7.30pm Obedience in the Wilderness from Gerringong Uniting Church, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGwVgR-f97g>

1st April 7.30 pm Maundy Thursday service will be online

2nd April 9.30 am Friday service at Umina

4th April 9.30 easter Celebration

Due to COVID, there will not be a joint churches Sunrise service this year.

Church Council elections and the **Parish AGM** will be on Sunday 30th May.

Please pray about who you will nominate for Church Council.

Current members of Church Council are: Margaret Read (Chairperson), Wayne Read (Treasurer), Margaret Gregory (acting Secretary) , Heather Walker, Ann Thompson, Linda Kalantzis, Myrle Bowden, Carol Wilton and Rev Patty Lawrence.

To contact the Church Council please contact the acting Secretary Margaret Gregory.