



NEWSLETTER

*Revive
Restore
Reach Out*



NRCC News and Notices

▪ 2023 Term 1 Worship Roster

There are many areas you can bring your heart and passion to our Sunday services so feel free to let Steve L know if you feel led to participate in our worship.

▪ Scripture Teaching @ North Rocks Public School

NRCC has been involved in teaching SRE for many years. We are currently short of teachers for Kindy and Year 6 classes. If you are interested in teaching scripture please talk to Bev or Steve.

▪ CC Members & Team Ministry Leaders' Retreat

Will be held at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre from 27th - 28th January. Please pray for them to have a refreshing time in the Lord.

▪ Beryl's Marmalade

Beryl has made some marmalade to raise some funds for the church. If you would like to buy some it will be available on Sunday or from the office for \$5 a jar. Thank you Beryl.

▪ Kelly's Book

Hi Church Family,

As some of you know, I have written a book about the adoption of Rosie our rescue dog and about her life with us for the past 10 years. Here's the link below, if you're interested! It's available on Amazon or I bring copies each week to our Sunday service.

They are \$15 cash. Happy to sign for you!

**10% is donated back into our church.

**10% goes back to NSW Pet Rescue.

I'd love you to read it!!

Cheers, Kelly Young

<https://www.amazon.com.au/dp/B0BMX4H9YV>

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Community News and Notices

- **Uniting Church Assembly and Synod News Links**

Uniting Church Assembly: <https://uniting.church/news/>

NSW & ACT Synod: <https://nswact.uca.org.au/communications/newsroom/>

- **Moderator's Flood Appeal to help devastated communities**

The Uniting Church NSW/ACT has launched a special appeal to help those communities devastated by record-breaking floods.

<https://nswact.uca.org.au/communications/newsroom/media-release-moderator-s-flood-appeal-to-help-devastated-communities/>

Reflection of the Week

In Judges 6, the Israelites had done evil in the eyes of the Lord—and so God used the Midianites to chastise them. Judges 6:3-5 says,

"Whenever the Israelites planted their crops, the Midianites, Amalekites and other eastern peoples invaded the country. . . . It was impossible to count them or their camels; they invaded the land to ravage it."

Israel was harassed; their future was threatened. Their hope was shattered, but all they could do was run and hide, pretending that nobody could find them. It took seven years before they started humbling themselves before God (see Judges 6:1-2, 6).

The Midianites are here in our culture, in our society, and they are plundering this nation. Many times, we, as parents and adults, fail to set the example for the next generation, and that is why they are running and hiding from the Midianites of their time.

Our future generation is our greatest asset; we must not squander it like Israel did again and again in the book of Judges. If we do not equip the future generation with the Word of God by modelling lives of faithful obedience, they will do what Israel did. When the heat is on, they will run and hide hopelessly in the mountains. They will never stand up, trust God, or receive the blessing of faith in Him.

We must repent and seek the Lord, modelling for them what it means to stand up and be counted.

Prayer: God, forgive us for the poor example we have set for the next generation. I pray that my generation would humble itself before You before it's too late. Help us show our children what it means to stand up for Truth instead of being overrun by our culture. I pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

"Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood" (Acts 20:28).

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Prayers

If you have any prayer requests or would like to know of those with particular pastoral needs to pray for, please contact Robyn, Steve or Pastoral Care Team.
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