

NEWSLETTER

26 February - 3 March 2024



Lent 3

Worship Services Sundays 9am

CWCI E3 Conference

We have registered NRCC for the E3 Conference (Saturday only) to be held online on March 16 9am at our church. We request a donation of \$10 to cover registration costs. Tea, coffee & morning tea will be served. Please bring your own lunch, If you are interested in joining us or would like more information please email us at enquiry@northrocks.org.au.

Dates for your Diary

NRCC 2024 Calendar

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16	CWCI E3 Conference for women
24	Palm Sunday
29	Good Friday
31	Easter

Community News and Notices

UCA Uniting in Prayer 2024 - invitation from Assembly

Following the popularity of the very first Uniting in Prayer event last year, we will be running the event again this year from 19 May - 22nd of June. We are currently working on a range of worship resources as well as the new 2024 Prayer Chain (a whole of church prayer chain that will include congregations, presbyteries, synod, agencies and schools).

For more information, or to sign up to receive resources click on this link. https://www.act2uca.com/unitinginprayer2024

Uniting Church Assembly and Synod News Links

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

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

Reflection of the Week

When a difficult situation arises, do you turn to others for help? Do you attempt to resolve the situation alone? Or do you ask God to give you wisdom and guidance?

The moment we give our lives to the Lord, we must break the habit of relying on our clever minds to carry us through life. No matter how intelligent we are, there will be times when only God's wisdom can lead us to the perfect solution. Of course, God has given us our minds to use for good in this world, but we must humble ourselves before the one who created our very minds. We must remember it is God who is all-knowing and all-powerful. We may not recognize it, especially if we feel trapped by our circumstances, but no problem we ever have is too great for God.

Our challenge as believers is taking this Truth to heart. Sometimes, we give our hearts to God only to take them back when surrender to Him becomes inconvenient.

But when you put your life into God's hands, you must resolve to leave it there. Just as no money market account matures with excessive withdrawals, you will struggle to grow when you continually seize control of your life after depositing it into His hands.

It is never easy to relinquish total control. We feel helpless as we sit by and watch. Yet God wants us to surrender so He can do His greatest work in us, the work of completely transforming our hearts and minds as He molds us into the image of Christ. While we may have an idea of what God wants to do with our lives, we do not know the fullness of what He desires to do; therefore, we must allow Him to have total control.

As you give God control of your life, He will shape you into the person He intends for you to be. Remember: There is no one you can trust more than the Son of God.

Prayer: Lord, I want You to be in control of my life today, leading me through Your Holy Spirit. Help me to submit to You daily. I pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight" (Proverbs 3:5-6).

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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, or Pastoral Care Team.

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Ministry Leaders

Supply Minister: Rev. Deborah Yun / 0424 922 314 / revdeborahyun@gmail.com

Church Council

Chairperson: Cathy Nelson Secretary: Steve Turner Treasurer: Anne Crabb

Andrew Head, Hilton Petters, Jacky Hammond, Sue Vasilevska

Team Leaders

Worship: Cathy Nelson Discipleship: Alex Chow Pastoral Care: Robyn Pike Fellowship: Sue Vasilevska Mission: Steve Turner Sustainability: Bill Vasilevski