



NEWSLETTER

27 May – 2 June 2024

Revive
Restore
Reach Out

Worship Services Sundays 9am

Pentecost 2

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Thank you to Bev and her team for organising this wonderful event. Thank you also to those who came along for a cuppa and cakes to raise funds for the Cancer Council - the target of \$1000 was reached.



Latest on Property Developments

Big Bear Academy Long Day Care Centre is currently closed and will reopen on 3rd June.

The basement area of the Church has been effectively stripped and is being renovated.

Their Office area in #134 is almost finished.

Most of the work this coming week will be on the Play Area, sheds, fencing and artificial grass.

There is a large skip in the parking area and varying amounts of building supplies are at the far end of the car park.

Trucks are coming and going during the week.

If able, please continue to park off site (except Sunday), or park in front of the Church if you need to be close to the doors.

The chain that separates the traffic flow in and out is down to allow for this using the usual entrance.

Dates for your Diary

NRCC 2024 Calendar

May	
24	Craft Group 10am
25	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea
26	Trinity Sunday
29	Zoom Prayer Meeting
June	
22	Senior's Worship Service 10.30am

Craft Group @ 10 am-noon Fridays

Bring along your latest craft project and join us for morning tea and a chat. 10am each Friday in the church.

Community News and Notices

Uniting Youth Camp 2024 (click on the image for more information)



The Salvation Army Parramatta is funded to help provide people in aged care facilities volunteer visitors as part of the federally funded Aged Care Volunteer Visitor Scheme. We are looking for volunteers who would visit an older person in a local aged care facility once a week. We provide training and support. Can we advertise in your church bulletin? Perhaps you may already know of people willing to volunteer to visit Aged Care facilities?



The flyer features the Salvation Army logo and the text 'Aged Care Volunteer Visitor Scheme'. A prominent red banner reads 'Volunteers needed to be friends with people in Aged Care'. Below this, a dark blue section contains the following text: 'Aged Care Volunteer Visitor Scheme', 'We are looking for volunteers to provide friendship and help develop social connections and companionship to older people in Aged Care in the Paramatta and Hills areas.', 'We will pair you up with an elderly person in an aged care facility and provide you with training and support.', 'Can you visit a person in aged care: Once a week/fortnight, Do you have your own transport?'. Contact information includes 'For more information 02 9635 8870 parramatta@salvationarmy.org.au' and the Salvation Army Paramatta logo.

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

To delight in the presence of God, you must first taste and see that He is good.

Over and over again in the Bible, God draws near to the people He loves so much. He walks with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden (see Genesis 3:8). He speaks to Moses from a burning bush (see Exodus 3). And, ultimately, He puts on flesh, becoming one of us (see John 1:14). Over and over again, God draws near to us and invites us to taste and see—to experience Him for ourselves.

God calls each one of us to come to Him and develop a firsthand understanding of His love and kindness. No one else—no pastor, spouse, or parent—can do this for you. You must personally experience His presence and learn what it means to delight in Him.

How do you experience the presence of God? Begin by spending time in His Word. Our God has given us a 1,200-page letter about who He is. So turn to the Scripture today and connect with your heavenly Father. As you do, the experience of the psalmist will become yours: "How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!" (Psalm 119:103).

Taste and see that the Lord is good. The sooner you begin, the sooner you will be able to experience His wonderful presence working in and through you.

Prayer: Father, thank You for drawing near to me, for giving me Your Word, for giving me Your

Son, for giving me Your Spirit. You are good. I praise Your holy name! I pray in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

"Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him" (Psalm 34:8).

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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

