



Rosefield

Uniting Church

in the heart of Highgate

G'day Folks,

Advent continues onwards. Who has been able to find space to reflect and still yourself in this busy time? I have been mixed. I had a couple of days of good solid stillness and reflective practices and a few days of busy busy busyness. In my defence, I'm getting ready to host my parents and sell a car, but I think I did say once we can always find excuses to get busy.

This Sunday, we will be lighting the candle for Joy. This candle is Pink or Rose coloured. I read somewhere that this Sunday marks the shift from the focus being on repentance and preparation to the joy of almost being at Christmas. The shift toward celebration. The Rose candle is the marker of a change in behaviour toward celebration.

Now I know our church wasn't named for the beautiful roses in the Eldridge garden (or after Robyn Caldicott's new dog). I know that, yet I think it's a wonderful image. Rose Field, a field of roses. Our church is a transformative community, where we are changed through an encounter with the Christ-Child and leave in celebration. A field of transformative love.

I pray in your busyness you find time to pause (and smell the roses) and meet the Risen-Christ-child.

Blessings,



Richard

Worshipping Community

12th of December

Zephaniah 3:14-20
Isaiah 12:2-6
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:7-18

19th of December

Micah 5: 2-5a
Luke 1: 46b - 55
Hebrews 10: 5-10
Luke 1 : 39 - 45

12th of December

Preacher: Rev Richard Telfer
Worship Leader: Bev Butler
Singers: Rejoice
Data Projection: Rob Rodenburg
Flowers: Heather Williams
Coffee: Marilyn Kyrlyenko, Libby &
Neil Lowrie
Welcomers: Jean & Scott
Hutchinson

19th of December

Preacher: Rev Dr Tony Nancarrow
Worship Leader: Rob Rodenburg
Singers: Pray-sing
Data Projection: Barry Fuss
Flowers: Pamela Jones
Coffee: Robin and Phil Tregenza
Welcomers: Jean & Scott
Hutchinson

Christmas Service times:

Sunday 19th December “Carols on the Court”

5.30pm for a sausage sizzle. Carols starting at 6pm

Friday 24th December 7pm Christmas Eve “Service of Solace”

Saturday 25th December 9.30am “Christmas Celebration Service”

Rosefield Church Office Christmas hours

The Rosefield Church office will close from **12 noon Thursday**

23rd December and re-open **Wednesday 5th January 10 – 12.30.**

The office will only be open **Wednesdays** for the remainder of January.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2021

Living with Covid-19 continues to change how we do things

Thinking about how different things have been during 2021, this is a request for anyone to send an item to be included in the Annual Report for this year.

Please forward your photos, group/activity report or item/reflections for 2021 to Heather Williams, heather.j.williams43@gmail.com

The closing date is 31st January, 2022

[Click the button below for info about our Summer Mornings program](#)



Summer Mornings

Mid-Week Children Ministry Rosefield Playgroup and mainly music are looking for a new coordinator. 12 hours a week.

The playgroup operates Tuesday and mainly music is Thursday. For more information and the job description please email admin@rosefield.ucasa.org.au



As you know Glenda is retiring and Church Council are looking for a replacement. Please share this widely.

Library

Don't forget we have a wonderful library at the church. It is full of interesting books (and some Advent study group material). Have a browse at the full catalogue [here](#).

Mark you diaries!

16th of Jan, 2022.

A service celebrating God's abundant gifts!

Six liturgically appropriate hymns delivered with energy, enthusiasm, and love!

Cancel whatever else you were doing, it's a no-brainer!

Folks,

In 2022 we want to be intentional about supporting charities and other organisations in fundraising. We have a wonderful history of supporting such ventures. Church Council has created this short application process. The idea is we have a focused effort in supporting their work. Click the button below to download the 2022 Fundraising application form. We want to know about why you care (and how we can best support them). **We think we have space in the calendar to do five in 2022. Get in early!**

Applications should be email to the [office](#) and Church Council will discern how to link the activity with our mission goals.

[Fundraising Application](#)

Caring for others

EMPTY CHRISTMAS TREE

This week is the last chance to put goods under the Christmas tree in the church foyer!

This year we are supporting two groups with food items for people in need. One group is Uniting Care Wesley Bowden, and the other is for the families linked with the Grove Op Shop. Some of the tags will have a size on them - please take note of this and buy accordingly. I DO NOT need the tags back!

Thank you for another very successful Christmas giving program.

If anyone would prefer to give a cash donation in lieu of food items, please give any money direct to me.

With deepest appreciation –

Pam Hassett

At the Craft Destash Sale on 27th November, I met Tom - a young man who makes teddy bears. For some time he has been sending material to the 'teddy bear boy' in Tasmania. Since the age of 9, Campbell Remess now aged 17, has been making teddy

bears for children in hospitals and to sell to make money for charity.

Apparently teddy bear fabric is not easy to find these days so Tom, who attends Westbourne Park craft days, was happy to purchase all that I had! And a friend also donated her extra pieces of material!

How wonderful that our 'odds and ends' can find new homes and be valued in a new way. Nothing is completely useless!

Pam Jones (ex teddy bear maker)

Serving Our Neighbours

Lions Christmas Cakes are in the Office

Come and get one (or three)

\$13 for Pudding

\$13 for a 1kg small cake

Sold out! 1.5kg large cake

Upcoming Calendar

Sunday 12 December

9.30 am Worship Service
with Holy Communion

Monday 13 December

1.30pm Mahjong games group

Tuesday 14 December

7.15am Rosefield Men's Breakfast -
at the Church
9.00am - 2pm Rosefield Community
Shed at the Showgrounds
Bread collection contact John for
more information.

Wednesday 15 December

7 am Cycle Cluster (meet at the
church)
8 am Prayer meeting ([Click here](#))

Thursday 16 December

9.00am - 2 pm Rosefield Community
Shed at the Showgrounds

Sunday 19 December

9.30 am Worship Service
(Rev. Dr. Tony Nancarrow
preaching)

Monday 20 December

1.30pm Mahjong games group

Tuesday 21 December

Bread collection contact John for
more information.

Wednesday 22 December

7 am Cycle Cluster (meet at the
church)
8 am Prayer meeting ([Click here](#))

Thursday 23 December

Friday 24 December
7pm Service of Solace
Reflective space for those who are
spending Christmas without a loved

Friday 17 December

Community Shed BBQ - Contact
Warren or Gerry

Saturday 18 December

7 am Cycle Cluster (meet at the
church)

one.

Saturday 25 December

9:30 AM Christmas Service



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1 John 4:18