	All Saints/Pent 24—Nov 3	Pentecost 25—Nov 10	
Preacher	Rev Myung Hwa Park HC	Stephen White	
Organist	Merril Hillis	Margaret Neville	
Bible	Lyn Phillips	Annie Cox	Rosters
Readers	Ian Pearson	Peter Whalan	11001010
Vestry Elder	Kerry Jordan V&HC Carolyn Craig-Emilsen Assist	Mark Hillis	
Welcomer	Bob Hendy	Lyn Phillips	
Steward	Stephen White	Malcolm Ireland	
Prayers of the People	John Cox	Merril Hillis	
Flowers	Lorraine White	Peggy Goldsmith, A	nne Lawrence
Morning Tea	Lorraine White, Karen Bassant Gill Schierhout	Susie Christie	
IT/Audio-visual	Paul Cameron	Trevor Prowse	

Pentecost 24—Nov 3

Ruth 1:1-18

Hebrews 9:11-14

Open Table

Tuesday brunch

Thursday breakfast

Junction 142 Katoomba

Mark 12:38-44

**Friday** 

Psalm 146

Pentecost 25—Nov 10

**Activities** 

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

Psalm 127

Christian Meditation/Prayer 11.30am

Contact John Cox 0408 993007

Contact John Connor 47841819

Bible readings

All Saints —Nov 1 Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24 Revelation 21:1-6a

John 11:32-44

#### **Sunday**

Morning Worship (& Zoom) 9.30am Taize Services 3rd Sun 5pm Contact Carolyn 0413 993 368

**Twilight Services** 4th Sunday at 5pm

**Monday** 

**Playtime** 10am – 12 noon during school term Contact Denise 0427 784877

Book Club- 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 2pm Contact Delma 0407 140 837 Leura Forest Holy Communion Contact: revmel@bigpond.com

For those who wish to contribute to the Church via Bank Transfer, Online giving the details are: Leura Uniting Church – General Account BSB 634 634 A/c No. 100031809 Reference - Offering

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# **Leura Uniting Church**





Corner of Grose & Megalong Streets, Leura. Located in Dharug and Gundungurra country. We have a zoom service every Sunday as well as a face-to face service in the Church at 9.30 am. Our Church embraces diversity. All welcome.



A very warm welcome to everyone joining us today, especially any visitors and those joining us on Zoom. It's good to be **Welcome!** worshipping together here. We hope you will join us for Morning Tea and a chat after the service! If you are on zoom, if you are able to, please stay online for a chat after the service.

### All Saints Day/Pentecost 24 - November 3, 2024: For all the saints

On a Sunday close to 1 November, my favourite ritual of the church's year will take place. One by one, the names of those in that community who have died will be spoken out loud into the quiet. A candle will be lit. In some communities and traditions, a bell may be rung.

It is common for the ritual to begin with those who have died in the past year. This often expands as more of our saints are named, until our hearts are stretched and our vision large enough to see the great communion envisioned in the book of Hebrews. Faithful disciples in every time and place. Among this holy community are those we ourselves have known and cherished.

At the close of the ritual there are candles ablaze for them all, burning with our love and with our memory. Burning as we allow ourselves to feel the absence of some as a chasm. Burning as the walls between the worlds begin to thin. All Saints Day always comes to us with sorrow and joy, with history and hope.

Although we may be quick (and right) to name the extraordinary people of God, this is always a day for the ordinary saints. Belonging to Uniting Church congregations all my life, I have known many of those. We have known them in our families, in our communities, in our churches. Today we invoke them.

All God's saints, those remembered, and those forgotten to us but never to God's life. Those we have loved so deeply and miss beyond words, whose lives are written on our hearts. The saints of the Uniting Church, those who have sought after Jesus in our communities and those whose courage and vision birthed our Church. Our ancestors in faith, whose courage and witness enables our own.

We give thanks for the saints who are alongside us even at this moment, whose life and faith is bound up with ours.

Bethany Broadstock, Assembly Communications Unit



Rhododendrons, Blue Mountains

#### November

Fri 8—Christian meditation 11.30am

Sat 9– J142 10th Anniversary 12-3pm

Mon 11—Church Council 7pm

Thurs 14—Uniting Climate zoom 7pm

Sat 16—Fair Trade Sale Springwood

Sun 17—Taize service 5pm

## **Upcoming events...**

Minister

Myung Hwa Park 0400191880

**Congregation Chairperson** 

John Cox 0408 993 007

**Congregation Secretary** 

Stephen White 0474 224533

**Congregation Treasurer** 

Kerry Jordan 4784 3051

Tues 19—75th Christmas Bowl launch

Wed 20—J142 Board 7pm

Sun 24—Christ the King/Reign of Christ

Sat 23/Sun 24—Rising Tide Newcastle

Sun 24—AGM after 9.30am service

Sun 24—Twilight service 5pm

For our thoughts and prayers: On All Saints Day, we remember and pray for our deceased family members, friends and all the faithful members of our community and church who have passed away. We pray for peace in Israel, Palestine and Lebanon. We pray for those who are sick, in pain, grieving, lonely.





Bible readers needed! - It's time to start preparing a new Bible Reading Roster to next year. If you would like your name to be added to the roster please contact Delma on 0407 140837

The 2025 "With Love to the World Lectionary Bible Readings" will be ordered shortly. Subscription for the whole year is \$28 due in February. Please advise Kerry Jordan if you wish to be added or removed from the list.





Join us at the Springwood Fair Trade Market on Saturday November 16 9am-2pm! Discover unique, ethical goods from fair trade businesses, supporting artisans in developing nations. Get a head start on Christmas shopping, while making a positive impact! Items are not mass produced, so you will find unique goods across

a vast range of clothing, crafts, household items, toys, jewellery and food. Springwood Uniting Church, 4 Lewin Street Springwood.



The Christmas Bowl is less than one month away and we are so excited to come together to act for peace in the world! To celebrate this very special 75th anniversary of the Christmas Bowl, we are hosting launch events across Australia, and we

would love for you to join us at a virtual event on November 19 6.30pm-7.30pm, details to be advised soon. Elijah Buol, CEO Act for Peace

Come and join us to celebrate the **10th Anniversary of Junction** 142! On Saturday November 9 from 12 noon to 3pm with formalities at 2pm. We couldn't provide our Open Table food service and Shower & Laundry services without the generosity of our supporters and volunteers, we thank you all! We'll have our op shop, guided tours, music and food.





Meeting

Annual Congregational Meeting will be on Sunday 24 November. Election of Church Council/Elders. We will have four vacancies on the Church Council. It would be great to get some new people to come forward and serve on the Church Council. Nomination Forms must be Congregational received before the Service commences on Sunday 10 November 2024. Nomination Forms are on the table with copies of the Bulletin and Service.

Annual Reports. Could leaders of groups please prepare a report and email/hand it to Stephen by Sunday 3 November. This will allow time for the reports to be collated, printed and handed out before the AGM.

Wellspring Community is going to the Rising Tide demonstration in Newcastle 23rd and 24th November. They will be helping run the water tent. Let Joy Connor know if you are coming. For details please visit https://www.risingtide.org.au





It is important that all leaders in the church attend Safe Church training. There are some training sessions coming up on Saturday 9 November at Blacktown Uniting Church and Saturday 23 November at West Epping Uniting Church. Stephen White will be attending the one in West Epping and can give anyone a ride down. To see more details and

to register follow this link. https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/support-services/safechurch-unit/safe-church-training/

Changing climate patterns and increasing severe weather pose a significant threat to our communities and the environments in which we live. On Thursday 14 November 7-8.30pm this online forum will explore how you and your community can



respond to the challenges and impacts of climate change. Our guest speaker will be Catherine Kerr from the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water. To register visit <a href="https://events.humanitix.com/adapt-nsw">https://events.humanitix.com/adapt-nsw</a>