



LEURA UNITING CHURCH



Located on Dharug and Gundungurra country
Corner of Grose & Megalong Streets, Leura

We are an open and inclusive
community where diversity is
embraced and all are welcome

Sunday 9.30am Worship service
(also available on Zoom)

23 February 2025

7th Sunday after Epiphany

Have you ever felt transformed, (behaved differently to your normal)?

Has anyone ever told you that you appear to look or are acting, differently to the normal?

This transformation is something that others should be aware of as they encounter us in our daily activity. We are different!

Jesus' glory is seen in the way we are doing things. It is not normal.

Luke's readings this week highlight another way of being seen as transformed. "We are prepared to stand up and speak out when injustice is being done; to offer care and compassion when illness or grief are present. This is how we can manifest God's glory, appear transformed." Luke 9:37-43 *With Love To The World* p18. This covers the activities we do when there is no compensation, no public reward or acknowledgment from others but, the people we are helping occasionally ask "Why are you doing this?" Sometimes there is a warm feeling of satisfaction when our spirit feels God's Spirit saying to our spirit 'Thank you for giving me the glory'.

When I have been doing my daily EXAMEN prayer I am often surprised to see people that I think do not know God yet they are being used by God to teach me a truth or show me God's presence or activity.

God's glory or activity doesn't depend on the character of the individual. God's glory or transformation happens regardless.

Ross Neville

Welcome to everyone joining us today, especially any visitors. We hope you will join us for morning tea after the service.

Sunday worship services:

9.30am ([Zoom link](#))

Taizé 5pm—3rd Sunday
contact Carolyn 0413 993 368

Twilight 5pm—4th Sunday

Playtime 10am-12pm Mondays during school term contact Denise 0427 784 877

Book Club 2pm—3rd Monday
contact Delma 0407 140 837

Meditation/Prayer 11.30am Fridays
contact John 4784 1819

Minister

Myung Hwa Park 0400 191 880

Congregation Chairperson
Kate Prowse 0439 581 664

Congregation Secretary
Stephen White 0474 224 533

Congregation Treasurer
Kerry Jordan 4784 3051

Twilight Service Tonight at 5pm

Our guest speaker will be **Rev. Dr Jo Inkpin**, recently retired from Pitt Street Uniting Church. She will share her insights and expertise to help us best be an open and affirming community. Jo is a Trans person, a theologian, a gifted hymn writer and liturgist. She will talk about Transgenderism.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday 2 March 2025** following morning tea.



Access online information [here!](#)



It's that time of year again!

George Osborne will be shaving his head on 2/3/25 after the church service. Donations from \$2 are tax deductible. If \$500 is raised George will also shave his beard.

Donate [here](#) or by tel: 1800 500 088 (fundraiser: George Osborne).

The **41st Synod of the Uniting Church** in NSW and ACT will be held at Western Sydney Conference Centre in Sydney from Friday 11-13 July. The Moderator, Rev. Faaimata (Mata) Havea Hiliau, has chosen the theme 'Transforming Communities' for Synod 2025.

Synod is inviting Church Members who have a clear vision and passion for the mission of the Church, to use this opportunity to apply their hopes and discernment to the future of their Church.

If you are a Member of the Church and are interested in nominating to attend Synod 2025, speak to Lorraine or Stephen White (Leura UC Presbytery representatives).

Nominations close 24 February, 2025. (Please note that nominating to attend the Synod Meeting does not automatically mean you are a Synod delegate. A nomination will be confirmed in due course — various criteria for the composition of Synod membership need to be met.)

Bible readings for 23-Feb-2025

7th Sunday after Epiphany

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Psalms 37:1-11, 39-40

1 Cor 15:35-38, 42-50

Luke 6:27-38

Bible readings for 2-Mar-2025

Transfiguration of Jesus

Exodus 34:29-35

Psalms 99

2 Cor 3:12-4:2

Luke 9:28-36 (37-43)

Roster	23 Feb	2 Mar
Preacher	Rev Paul Cameron	Stephen White and Rev Myung Hwa Park
Organist	Margaret Neville	Richard Morphew
Bible Readers	Annie Cox Lorraine White	Elizabeth Gillespie Merril Hillis
Vestry Elder	Lorraine White	Tim Gordon (V&HC) Kate Prowse (Assist)
Welcomer	Lyn Phillips	Kathy Garland
Steward	William Emilsen	Lorraine White
Prayers of the People	Ian Pearson	Ross Neville
Flowers	Margaret Neville	Denise Cameron
Morning Tea	Lorraine White	Anne Coote Peggy Goldsmith
IT/Audio-Visual	Trevor Prowse	Robyn Parsons and Peter Whalan

Online giving: For those who wish to **give to the Church** via bank transfer, the details are:

Leura Uniting Church - General Account

BSB 634 634 Account Number 100031809

Reference - Offering

If you wish to **donate to Junction 142** via bank transfer, the details are:

UCA - Junction 142 Account

BSB 634 634 Account Number 100044848

Reference - J142 Donation

Junction 142 - John Cox 0408 993 007

Leura Forest Holy Communion - Mel Macarthur revmel@bigpond.com

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Bulletin Deadline Wednesday 8pm