



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)

22 February 2026

Lent 1

Are you born again?

Jesus in this passage in John 3 introduces the idea.
There are two ways to live life:

1. Live as spiritual people with the possibility of demonstrating a divine nature.
2. Live with our human nature manifested as it is in our societies: being selfish, greedy, manipulative, abusive, hateful.

If we live a divine spiritual life we can be loving, gentle, generous, kind; thoughtful, speak in tongues, being able to heal people; being able to foretell events.

How do you transform from one personality to the other? Jesus implies we can do it every day. Accomplished by God himself becoming part of us through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. We have to invite Him into our lives.

What does that transformation feel like when it becomes an experience of ordinary life? I have experienced nearly all of those aspects of a spiritual life at particular times in my life. At those times I feel fulfilled, excited, awed. Does that make me a super spiritual person? No! Those who know me know this is not true.

Those times do make me someone who can verify to the truth of all of John 3, 1 Corinthians 12 and 13.

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

Trains of Thought 1-3.30pm - 1st Wednesday
contact Bob 0427 300 820

Multicultural Womens Support Group
1-3pm - **1st Thursday**
contact Bev 0401 762 689

Meditation/Prayer 11am Fridays
contact John 4784 1819

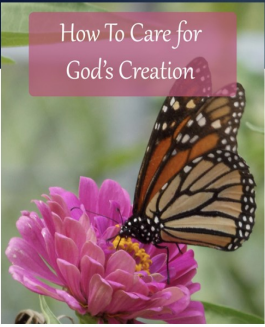
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How To Care for
God's Creation



TWILIGHT

5 pm This Sunday

Dr Teya Brooks Pribac

'The rights of animals in God's Creation'



Garage Sale Here
Saturday 28 March

8am - 12pm

Bring saleable goods to the church the day
before **ONLY** (Friday 27 March)
at 8 - 10am, 2 - 5pm
Or arrange for a pickup on that Friday
- No storage of goods at the church before
then!

See Stephen or Trevor

SURVEY ABOUT BIBLE STUDY and/or SMALL GROUPS WITH LEURA UCA

Our recent Congregation Planning Day (31st January 2026) yielded a long list of suggested or recommended ideas and activities. The most frequent of these was about Bible Study and Small Group life. Therefore, a survey has been prepared to discern what is needed.

- **Those who receive email** may download the survey form (in MS Word) and complete it online (the check-boxes should be sensitive to an 'x'). Please send it back with your name on it, even if you are not interested in groups, so that we know who has received the survey.
- **Survey forms will also be available in print at church**, and provided over the next couple of weeks. Again, it will help if you give your name and return the form to Mark Hillis. Church Council will compile the results as soon as practicable, and share the results with all members.

Mark Hillis (on behalf of the Leura Uniting Church Council). Mob: 0408 412 414



George Osborne will soon be shaving his head to fundraise for the Leukaemia Foundation. Tap this link to donate online:

[World's Greatest Shave - George Osborne](#)
or see George.

Bible readings for 22-February-2026

Lent 1

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Psalms 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

Bible readings for 1-March-2026

Lent 2

Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalms 121

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17 or Matthew 17:1-9

Roster	22 February	1 March
Preacher	Rev Dr William Emilsen	Rev Myung Hwa Park
Organist	Lyn Phillips	Merril Hillis
Bible Readers	Bob Hendy Joy Connor	John Connor Heather Lang
Vestry Elder	Kerry Jordan	John Cox (V&HC) Annie Cox (Assist)
Welcomer	Carolyn Craig-Emilsen	Lyn Phillips
Steward	Stephen White	Stephen White
Prayers of the People	Mel Macarthur	John Cox
Flowers	Margaret Neville	Denise Cameron
Morning Tea	Margaret Neville Ross Neville	Kerry Jordan Lorraine White
IT/Audio-Visual	Paul Cameron	Paul Cameron

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