

Warnervale Regional Uniting Church

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A Letter from Sunny

As we celebrate the season of Epiphany, we read the scene that the Lord was baptised. When he was baptised, heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove.

Mainly, I draw my attention to the dove. Dove is not a big bird. They don't look powerful or arrogant. We find them everywhere: not only in far from human places but also in the very close places where we walk, where we live, and where we have a coffee with our friends.

I meditate on such an ordinary bird. The Holy Spirit came to Jesus like a dove. Father God gave Jesus the gift of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove, such an ordinary, tiny, and humble bird, indeed.

Therefore, I appreciate the way Holy Spirit comes to us; the Holy Spirit is always present in all our lives like a dove. So, when I see the doves, I will remember the Holy Spirit is near, is within us, and around us. The Epiphany of the Lord is not an abstract concept. It happens always and everywhere as the dove comes to our gardens every morning.

Blessings,

Rev. Sunny Lee

Upcoming Worship

Sunday 16 & 23 January 2022 Sunday Service: 9:30 am at
<http://warnervalenitingchurch.org.au/> or Warnervale Regional Uniting Church
Facebook

Worship by Zoom

Our services are available on zoom, and the recoded service is on Facebook and the online church of the website. If you want to attend our zoom service, please get in touch with Rev. Sunny Lee (sunnylee143567@gmail.com)

Worship on-site

Everyone who attends worship and activities on our church property must scan the QR code for COVID safe check-in. A sign-in sheet is also available for those

who cannot use QR codes. Please don't come if you are unwell or have been in any high-risk areas. Please wear masks.

Kids Church News

Thank you for encouraging your children to join us this year. Kid's Church is now in recess for the holidays and will recommence **Sunday 6th February 2022**.

There will still be storytime for kids in Church each Sunday With activity sheets. These are also available online from the Church webpage. This will give our Kid's Church leaders a break so they will be ready to restart on February 6th full of energy, ideas, and fun!

M Swain, Co-ordinator.

WRUC Bible Study:

Monday 1.30 pm-3 pm to be held in the Worship and Community Centre during term times commencing on **Monday 31st January 2022**. New members welcomed. A sense of humour is recommended!! We all look forward to meeting everyone again in the New Year. Please get in touch with the church office(02 4330 5334).

Drop-in for a Scone, Coffee/Cuppa & Chat

We open on the **10th Feb 2022**. Everyone's Second Thursday of the month from **9 is to Noon**.

Giving

The regular electronic offering can be made through our bank details:
BSB 634 634, account number 100023625 G Shelley

Christmas Bowl 2021-2022

The Donation of the Christmas Bowl will finish on 16 January. Thank you for your all participation in such a beautiful charity.

WRUC Church Council News

Church Council held an urgent meeting on the 29th December 2021 to discuss Services during January 2022. The following proposal was put forward and accepted.

Proposal: Due to the rising Covid numbers, Church Council has decided to have Hybrid services for the first and second Sundays in January (Church and Zoom).

Church Council encourages people who are well not to come to Church - there will be no singing - strict distancing, and people will be asked to move quickly out of the Church to the outside for talking.

On the third and fourth Sundays when Sunny is on leave, there will be no Church Service at the Church. Services will be recorded and watched Online, on our Church website, Facebook and YouTube. The YouTube link will be included in the newsletter.

Blessing to everyone for the New Year,

Church Roster - 16 Jan & 23 Jan

As we deliver the pre-recorded service on the two Sundays, some parts will be replaced by a slide show.

	Preacher	Bible Readers	Prayers for others	Children's Story
16 Jan	Rev. Roger Hibbard	J Lees	L Matson	M Swain
23 Jan	A Funaki	B Shelley Rev. N McDonald	Rev. Sunny Lee	M Swain