



Communities

Holland Park
855 Logan Rd
Holland Park West

Mt Gravatt
Cnr Springwood &
Hicks Streets
Mt Gravatt

Tarragindi
24 Pope Street
Tarragindi

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve 6 pm @ 58 Kadumba Street, Yeronga

Christmas Day 8 am @ each of our 4 centres

Sunday 27 December there will be no face to face service at any of our centres. We recognise and appreciate the voluntary service so many give over the Christmas period and do not want to ask more of people. At the same time, we encourage you to celebrate Christmas with family and friends and share the love of God through your presence with them.

There will be online services for Christmas and 27 December.

Usual weekly services will resume on 3 January.

To maximise our capacity there will be allocated seating at each Christmas service.

This will involve:

- you being allocated to a designated, and numbered seat in the same way as at a sporting event or theatre.
- A request that you wear a face mask only when entering and exiting
- No moving around and no standing for singing
- No physical distancing.

These requirements are set out in the COVID management plan for places of worship and are the health authorities' best efforts to accommodate people in a safe manner.

Because we expect more people than usual, we also ask that you consider attending one Christmas service only.

Church Office Closed and Final Notice Sheet for 2020

The church office will be closed from 5pm Wednesday 23rd December and will reopen 9am 4th January 2021. If you require to speak to someone, please contact your Community Minister. Details are on the last page of the notices. This will also be the final notice sheet for the year. The next one will be available on 24th January.

Staff Leave

Richard Moors – 21st December – 18th January

Rachel Manton – 24th December – 3rd January

David Fender – 4th January – 18th January

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Events

Living Nativities – 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd December from 7pm to 9pm at each of our Centres

Come and experience the Christmas Story by visiting with Angels and Shepherds at Yeronga, Wisemen at Mt Gravatt, see the Christmas Lights at Holland Park and visit Mary and Joseph at the Stable at Tarragindi. A gift pack will be given to each family. *No bookings required*

WET WEATHER ADVICE

In light of the recent forecast for the week of the 20th, I need to let everyone know that in case of wet weather, the Christmas committee will need to cancel the Living Nativities event. As a team, the Christmas committee felt that this would be the safest option. If there is wet weather, visit our website or look on our Facebook page for updates. Above all else, we ask for prayer that we will still be able to hold a great event for our local community.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the amazing volunteers who have made this event happen. It has been a challenging few months and we have steamed through, planning what I believe will be a great event. The wonderful efforts by the Christmas committee and their families in preparing, packing, supporting, gathering resources and offering their creativity have been a beautiful expression of Christmas spirit amongst us.

To all Southside Uniting Church a very happy, safe, blessed Christmas!

Rev. Esteban Lievano

Worship

Rev David MacGregor – Worship Minister

worship@ssuc.org.au

Booking for Weekly Worship Services

Following a recent review of our COVID capacity at each of our four Centres and comparing these with our average weekly attendance for each service, a decision has been made that people will not be required to book in for weekly worship services from **3rd January 2021**. Having said this, we do still have the requirement to ensure that we do not exceed our COVID capacity, so if at any time we reach that limit, then you may not be able to attend worship. We are confident at this stage, however that this would not happen.

You will still need to book in for the Christmas Services as per the notice on the front page.

We will continue to monitor the numbers we are having at each service, and if it appears that we are close to reaching COVID capacity, then we will review how we can manage this.

Thank you so much for your patience as we navigate through the Government's requirements for COVID.

Rachel Manton, Administrator

Worship Services from 27th December

As from 27 December our online worship services will only be available through https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqSTqaDKa_fUlkjWacjrmlw or the church's website at <https://ssuc.org.au>. This means that the services will no longer be able to be accessed via <https://livestream.com/ggservices/ssuc>.

How can you access the services?

1. Go to the church's website <https://ssuc.org.au> and follow the links to the worship section.
2. Go direct to youtube.com and search for Southside Uniting Church or bookmark the Southside Youtube Channel (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqSTqaDKa_fUlkjWacjrmlw).

Until 27 December our online worship services will be available through Youtube, the church's website and livestream (ie the usual way that you have been access the services.)

Sharing a Cuppa after Worship on Sunday

Final Zoom Cuppa will be today 20th December 2020. Details are:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84892158152?pwd=T1VvWXNpS8xQ3dxeKVNam1DUzBadzO9>

Meeting ID: 848 9215 8152

Passcode: 388966

Worship Services

Date	20th December	27th December	3rd January
Mt Gravatt 8.30am	David MacGregor	No face to face	David Fender
Tarragindi 8.30am	Jock Dunbar	No face to face	David MacGregor
Online 9 am	Jock Dunbar	David MacGregor	David Fender
Holland Park 10.00am	David MacGregor	No face to face	David Fender
Yeronga 10.00am	Jock Dunbar	No face to face	David MacGregor

Date	10th January	17th January	24th January
Mt Gravatt 8.30am	Jock Dunbar	Esteban Lievano	Richard Moors
Tarragindi 8.30am	Esteban Lievano	David MacGregor	Esteban Lievano
Online 9 am	Esteban Lievano	David MacGregor	Richard Moors
Holland Park 10.00am	Jock Dunbar	Esteban Lievano	Richard Moors
Yeronga 10.00am	Esteban Lievano	David MacGregor	Esteban Lievano

Children Youth and Families

Ps Richard Moors – Children Youth and Families Pastor

cyf@ssuc.org.au

A huge thank you – to all of those who have taken a leadership role in our ministry to children and youth this year. Your hard work, commitment, love have been very appreciated. I hope and pray you can have some rest over the holiday period, and I look forward to working alongside you again next year.

Pray for Me – in 2021 we will be trialing a campaign called “Pray for Me”. This will see us matching up a child/young person/family, with 3 older people to pray for them for the year. You will see some advertising through January about it. Be thinking if you have children, do you want them or your whole family to be prayed for. For all of us be thinking if you could commit to pray for someone/a family for the year. You will get a book which will give you things to pray for. This is an exciting program, so look out for the registrations at the end of January.

Sunday School – Will return in 2021. Please be thinking if you can be involved in helping to lead this or as an assistant.

Family Faith Formation – The family faith resources and midweek video will take a break over the school holidays, keep an eye out for them at the end of January as we start to help you prepare for the service each week.

New Missions

Rev Jock Dunbar – New Missions Minister

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Outreach

Rev Esteban Lievano – Outreach Minister

outreach@ssuc.org.au

Mission Giving During Christmas

As we have inherited many different causes through our coming together of the four congregations – so we have lots of choice with where we want to lend our support during Christmas.

There will be an opportunity to give for our community during our Living Nativities, if you visit one of our Living Nativities (Mt Gravatt, Tarragindi and Yeronga) you will receive a gift bag with contents related to the Nativity scene you will see at that centre. You will also receive a card with the details for you to donate to Christmas Bowl.

Each year UnitingWorld holds their Everything in Common drive, where we have the opportunity to 'give' Christmas gifts in the form of donations on behalf of others. Perhaps you would like to give a goat or a chicken on behalf of a loved one or a neighbour. If you would like to know more, visit the website via the link here but also you can chat to Alison Semple at Mt Gravatt to find out more.

Thank you all for your support and generosity.

Rev. Esteban Liévano
SSUC Outreach Minister

Spiritual Growth

Rev David Fender – Spiritual Growth Minister
spiritual.growth@ssuc.org.au

Tuesday Morning Prayer

Join us at 8am Tuesday mornings for a time of prayer via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/107964270?pwd=aXhvbmdSbGFicmdkRlFpWFNlNm1SUT09>

Meeting ID: 107 964 270

Password: 24pope

Prayer

You are invited to share your prayer requests with the congregation.

Prayer requests can be shared through:

- The “Prayer Requests” feature on the Southside app
- Using the “Contact us” feature on the ssuc.org.au website and selecting “Prayer request”
- Emailing prayer@ssuc.org.au
- Telephoning a member of the ministry team and sharing your request with them.

Unless you request otherwise, prayer requests will be shared with our prayer team and listed each week in our worship sheet.

Resources

Rachel Manton - Administrator
admin@ssuc.org.au

Office Hours

The church office is located at 58 Kadumba Street, Yeronga.

Office hours are Monday to Friday 9am to 2pm

Giving

Thank you for your ongoing financial contribution to our congregation. As we spend longer in lock down people are discovering alternative ways to give their offerings. These include:

- Setting up electronic funds transfers (EFT) (or asking their children to do so).

Our bank account details are

Name: Southside Uniting Church

BSB: 014-202

Account: 4736-88757

- Posting a cheque to the church office at 58 Kadumba street, Yeronga Qld 4104
- Banking the money direct through a bank branch
- Asking the person who delivers the weekly worship materials to return with your offering.

We are now able to offer giving of tithes and offerings via credit card. There are two ways that you can do this:

1. Click on this link [https://southsideuc.ucareapp.com/payments/embed/1?type=Offering&title=SSUC Credit%20Card%20Giving.&iframe=true](https://southsideuc.ucareapp.com/payments/embed/1?type=Offering&title=SSUC%20Credit%20Card%20Giving.&iframe=true) and complete the details.
2. Phone the church office on 3848 7093 and provide your credit card details over the phone.

Notices

For notices to be included in this newsletter please email notices@ssuc.org.au or phone the office on 3848 7093. The next newsletter will be issued on 24th January 2021. Please have notices in by 9am Thursday 21st January.

Good News Story

If you have a good news story of God's transforming power within our Congregation and/or Community. Please email through to notices@ssuc.org.au so we can share the Good News!

Contact Us:

General Enquiries

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