



Sunday, 19th  
December  
2021

Week 4 Advent - Love

*We give thanks for the privilege of worshipping God together. We are out of Lock Down Mode worshipping from Church. May God's rich blessings be with us all as we continue our journeys of faith in these current challenging times.*

## MISSION STATEMENT

*Wentworthville Uniting Church is a community of faith moving forward together as a people of God.*

*We long to nurture people in their journeys of life and faith and to practice the hospitality of Jesus Christ.*

*Love one another  
as I have loved you.  
John 13:34*

## Advent Prayer

Thank you, God, for this beautiful season of Advent, and for the blessings you give to us each and every day.

May we learn to love and appreciate all your gifts, be they big or small.

Help us to share the joy of this time with those we meet, be they family, friend or stranger.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Rev. Meredith Williams*

## "Silver Circle" Morning Tea

The Silver Circle met after six months of Covid-19 lockdown. Last time we met was in June of this year. It was encouraging to see about 30 people attending. We had high tea and entertainment, with the presence of our Minister Rev Meredith Williams. We are indebted to women in the kitchen for the preparation and serving - the usual high quality of hospitality that Wentworthville is renowned for. Thank you all for your generosity and dedication.

*Ken Kumar*

*Sunday Worship: 09:00 am*

*Minister: Rev. Meredith Williams*

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## LECTIONARY READINGS

**SUNDAY:** 19/12/2021

Micah 5: 2 – 5a Luke1:46b – 55 or Psalm 80: 1 - 7

Hebrews10:5-10 Luke1:39 – 45 (46-55)

**SUNDAY:** 26/12/2021

1 Sam 2: 18 – 20, 26 Psalm 148

Col 3: 12 – 17 Luke 2: 41 - 52

## ROSTERS

**SUNDAY :** 19/12/2021 (Advent 4)-Love

Worship Leader: Rev. Meredith Williams

Reader: Kerry Birse

Intercession: Linda Willis

Stewards: Theo & Sujata Halder

Flowers: Cecily Smith

**SUNDAY :** 26/12/2021

Worship Leader: Doug Minty

Reader: Keith Jenkin

Intercession: Ken Champion

Stewards: Ken & Sumintra Kumar

Flowers: Rose Bud

*Rev. Meredith Williams*

## Thank You!

### "HEART and SOUL"

*On behalf of the Congregation a huge thanks goes to Rev. Meredith, Wayne & the Heart & Soul musical group for bringing so much joy to all those who were able to attend last Sunday.*

*For those who could not attend we missed you.*



*The variety concert by musical group 'Loosely Woven' was thoroughly enjoyed by all.*

*The concert was free but we were able to use the occasion to raise funds, by donation, for our church and community projects like 'Seeds of Growth'. A total of \$410 was raised on the day.*

# Wentworthville Uniting Church Weekly Reflection & News Letter

## PASTORAL CARE

We remember our friends who are feeling alone and isolated, especially during the uncertainty of our emergence from COVID lockdown. And we keep close to our hearts those who are struggling with health and personal difficulties, anxieties and disappointments.

We give thanks for the bonds of Christian love and community during troubled times. Please continue to pray regularly for the various pastoral concerns happening within our faith family and within the wider community.

**Best wishes to all those who have, or will, celebrate birthdays in December:** *Pritika Maharaj, Graham South, Nicholas Dzwete, Kerry Birse, Rene Smith & Betty Turnbull .*

*For pastoral needs and other enquiries related to our congregation, our Minister, Meredith, can be contacted on her mobile phone: 0437 286 058*

### Advent and Christmas @ Wenty

Advent 4	19th December 9am	<b>Love Lessons and Carols</b>
Christmas Eve	24th December 7.00pm	A time of reflection lead by <b>Linda Willis</b>
Christmas Day	25th December 8.00am	Family Service led by <b>Rev. Meredith Williams</b>
Christmas 1	26th December 9.00am	Sunday Service led by <b>Doug Minty</b>

## Christmas blessing

May Christmas presents ☐ remind you of God's greatest gift - Jesus our Lord.

May the Christmas bells ☐ remind you of the angelic proclamation of his birth.

May the Christmas candles ☐ remind you of the one who is the Light of the World.

May the Christmas tree ☐ remind you of the life he gives.

May the Christmas feast ☐ remind you of He who is the Bread of Life.

May the Christmas carols ☐ bring you joy as they tell the story of Jesus.

May the Christmas Season remind you in every way of the Prince of Peace.

**Our Sunday School** has concluded for 2021, but the signs of their presence are still gracing our worship space.

Thank you to the children and leaders for the spirals of hope, the straight paths that prepare the way for our Lord's coming, the windows of joy, and more surprises yet to come!

*Rev. Meredith Williams*

## Stamp Collection

Please pause when receiving Christmas mail and save the stamps from letters and parcels so that the stamp committee of the UC can continue their work of processing and selling them to fund projects of the church. Also when sending parcels please ask for stamps to be attached rather than those PO labels. Thank you .

*Marcia Scott*

## Return to Gathered worship

As of 15th December most COVID restrictions in NSW have been lifted.

For us in the church this means that masks will now be optional during worship, and we can sing!

The capacity limit has been lifted, however, we will still need to keep a record of attendance using the QR code and/or attendance sheets. Morning tea after the service will resume, but we will keep this to a simple format for the time being.

Remember, COVID is still with us, and we need to always be mindful of the health and safety of others. Let us continue to work together in fellowship and love, and care for each other in every way we can.

*Rev. Meredith Williams*

