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**May 2019**

**Relationships  
Matter**

*Exploring the  
good and the  
tough parts about  
relationships with  
other people.*



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## PASTOR PHIL'S REFLECTION



I believe that God is all about relationships. At the heart of God is the relationship between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and God created us to be in relationship - both with God and with other people. As we celebrated at Easter, the death and resurrection of Jesus allows us to be made right with God. We celebrated that God not only wants to have a relationship with us, but Jesus has opened the door that allows us to enter into that relationship.

It is good to celebrate all the relationships we have - the relationships with our families, with our friends, with our colleagues, with our church family, with our best friends and even romantic relationships. But the reality is that relationships are not always easy. Relationships can bring us such joy and fulfillment, but they also have the potential to hurt us and cause us heartache.

Over the next two or three weeks in worship we are going to get real about relationship. We are going to explore the different relationships we have and how we might be able to model the way we relate to others on the way that God relates to us. We will look at some Biblical models or principles that might enhance our relationships in a way that they are life giving and not life draining. I look forward to the insight that God might bring to us through this time of learning.

Speaking of relationships - congratulations to Bonnie and Laurie Ellicott who celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this month. Their relationship is a great example of commitment, support and care. It is a testament to their faith and their love for each other. We pray that God will continue to bless their home and their marriage with much joy and happiness.

Your pastor in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Phil Swain". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



## THANKSGIVING OFFERING UPDATE...

### THANKSGIVING OFFERING... AN EXCEPTIONAL RESPONSE

Last September, Turrumurra Uniting Church took the opportunity to recognise that we have been blessed in many different ways, and TUC folk were encouraged to share in their blessings through a special. A total of \$25,500 was contributed through the exceptional response to the Thanksgiving Offering.



Project	Amount
Air Conditioning	\$13,700
Mentoring Program	\$1,800
CYF Resources	\$5,200
Parramatta Mission	\$3,500
Reducing debt	\$600
Unallocated	\$700
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,500</b>

For some time we have been looking at ways to capitalise upon the beautiful Chapel within our complex. The Chapel is the cornerstone of the original Trinity Methodist Church. To maximise the use of this historic building, we planned to install air conditioning to improve year-round comfort for the many users, including now our regular 10:45am Sunday service. A total of \$13,700 was gifted towards this initiative, which enabled air conditioning to be installed in

both the Chapel and Lounge area. \$5,200 was dedicated to our expanding work within the Childrens', Youth and Families ministry under Jonty Cornford. This was spent on things like the large TV stand and equipment, the storage cupboards in the hall, resources for the playgroup and seed money for BUGZ. \$3,500 was earmarked for on-forwarding to Parramatta Mission for their Raising Hope project, to assist with their invaluable work with vulnerable women and children.

Within TUC we consciously support leadership development, and \$1,800 will be used to advance the already-recognised skills for four nominees through a mentoring program. \$600 will be used to reduce our Roof Loan, and Church Council will be given discretion of the allocation of non-designated \$700.

Altogether a marvellous response and recognition that we are indeed blessed and able to contribute to supporting new areas of TUC's mission and the worthy and timely cause at Parramatta Mission.



# Got questions about life

*Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment*



## **ALPHA @ TUC**

Session #1—"Is There More to Life Than This?"

**Monday 6th May**

Phil & Marion's Place  
39 Clissold Rd, Wahroonga.

6:30-9pm (dinner included)



## **YouthAlpha@TUC**

Session #1—"Is There More to Life Than This?"

**Sunday 12th May**

Jacaranda Room, TUC

4:30-6:15pm

(includes extensive snacks)

## **CHURCH COUNCIL ELECTIONS...**

As we continue to move through this exciting time of ministry and mission here at TUC, we will rely more and more upon the wisdom, leadership and guidance of our Church Council.

It is the time of the year where we prayerfully consider those who God might be calling to serve on Church Council. All members of the congregation are invited to prayerfully consider appropriate people to be on Church Council.

If you feel that God is prompting you to nominate for church leadership then we encourage you to fill in a nomination form.

If you think that another person would make a good key leader, then we encourage you to have a conversation with them and if they are willing encourage them to fill in the form.

**Nominations open on Sunday  
28th April  
and close on Sunday 12th May.**

Nominated names and short bio of each candidate will be presented to the congregation on Sunday 19th May. **Church Council Elections will be held after each of the worship services on Sunday 2nd June or during that week online.**

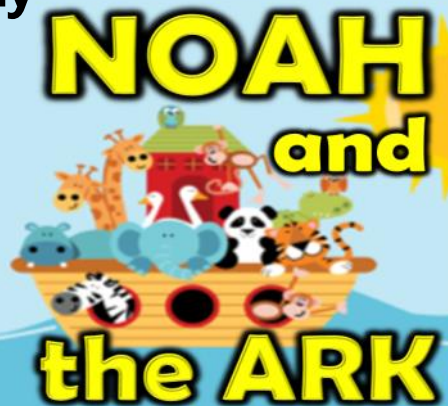


## MAY WORSHIP THEMES AND READINGS

	9am Sunday Family Worship	10:45am Sunday Traditional	6:30pm Sunday Night Church
5th May	<i>Right Relationships</i> Colossians 3:12-19 Rev Phil Swain + Communion	<i>Right Relationships</i> Colossians 3:12-19 Rev Phil Swain + Communion	<i>Right Relationships</i> Colossians 3:12-19 Rev Phil Swain + Communion
12th May Mother's Day	<i>Joy &amp; Heartache in relationships</i> 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Rev Phil Swain	<i>Joy &amp; Heartache in relationships</i> 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Rev Phil Swain	<i>When relationships go wrong</i> 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Rev Phil Swain
19th May	<b>TURRATOTS SERVICE</b> <i>Noah</i>	<i>Guest Preacher</i> Myeongcheol Oh + Communion	<i>Relationships in a sex-crazed world</i> Panel and group Discussion
26th May Flea Market Weekend	<i>Galatians #1 Faith vs Law</i> Gal 3:1-14,26-28 Rev Phil Swain	<i>Galatians #1 Faith vs Law</i> Gal 3:1-14,26-28 Rev Phil Swain	<i>National Sorry Day Focused Service</i> Guest Speaker

## Turratots / Playgroup / BUGZ / Kids Church Children Focused Worship Service 9am Sunday 19th May

An interactive service focused on kids aged 0-8 but great for all ages where we will learn about Noah's ark. Featuring the Turratots kids singing, a recreation of the ark, animal masks, rainbow making, morning tea, jumping castle and more. A great service to invite friends and neighbours to.



## FLEA MARKET

### Flea Market - 25th May - 2000 people to descend on TUC !

We look forward to the Flea Market when we welcome many visitors into TUC for this vibrant community event that has continued twice a year for over 40 years – fantastic !

The day is all about:

- \* Raising money for great charitable causes,
- \* A massive recycling enterprise – all that recycled 'treasure'!,
- \* Fantastic bargains, for people who sometimes do really need it,
- \* Our Church community working together for great outcomes,
- \* A vibrant community atmosphere where we can demonstrate TUC is a great place to be

Sounds great – and we are so thankful for our faithful workers over the years who make this event happen, and if you haven't been involved before – think about joining us to be a part of these huge days. Ask us how you can help – we'll be happy to slot you into a role on one or more of the days:

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>; set up equipment – 7pm (for 30 minutes)**

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>; sort, place, price from midday – 9pm**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup>; sort, place, price 9am – 7pm**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>, helping, selling, talking, eating 8am – 2pm**

**Pack up Saturday; 2pm - 4pm**

Fresh helpers for packing up and cleaning phase from 2pm on Saturday will be especially welcome to relieve the weary.

Help needed – if you're available for **any or all of these days or hours we can use your labours**. Can you help? See dates & times above or specifically in these areas as we prepare and sell?:



## FLEA MARKET

**Book Stall** - sorting, placing, packing - speak to Robyn Brown

**Information Table** - welcoming - like talking to people? - phone Rob Williams on 9487 2726

**Recycled Treasure** - you should see the stuff we get! – sort, place, price - speak to David Russell



**Clothing Stall** - sort & rack - speak to Lara Fowler or Jen Crowley

**Refreshment Stall** - food & beverage! - contact Heather Koroknay on 0414 931863

**Toys & Sports** - great play - come to sort, place, price & sell - on Thurs / Fri / Sat

**Cake Stall** - we'd like to sell your cakes, biscuits, sweets, slices, jams, pickles etc (please list all ingredients)

**Garden Stall** - bring plants - tell us what they are if you know, and if they're flowering - even better, and anything garden related are welcome (pots, hanging baskets, watering cans ...)

If you think you're a fit to help with any of these roles - please speak to the people mentioned above or give me a call – Jon Fowler 0414 499288 - and ask questions / let me know if you can join us.

**And don't forget** - take the opportunity at home over the next couple of weeks for a clean-out and bring us your recyclable treasure on the Thursday or Friday before the big day.

***Lets all be involved to help make our May Flea Market a huge success !***

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>For contact information about any of the groups mentioned please see <a href="#">page 14</a> or contact the Church Office (Monday-Friday 10am-1pm) on 9144 1853 or email <a href="mailto:office@turramurrauniting.org.au">office@turramurrauniting.org.au</a></p>			<p>10am S 10am P 12.45pm H</p>
<p><b>5</b> 9am Family Service 10.45am Traditional Service 11.30am Melanesian Lotu 5.30pm Prayer for Missionaries 6.30pm Night Church</p>	<p><b>6</b> 10am Pray as you go 2.30pm Northaven Afternoon Tea 6.30pm Alpha (offsite)</p>	<p><b>7</b> 10am Turra Turtles Playgroup 7.30pm Pastoral Care Group 8pm Property Committee</p>	<p>10am S 10am P 10am M M</p>
<p><b>12</b> <b>MOTHERS DAY</b> 9am Family Service 10.45am Traditional Service 2.15pm Selby Concert 4.30pm Youth Alpha 6.30pm Night Church</p>	<p><b>13</b> 10am Pray as you go 6.30pm Alpha (offsite)</p>	<p><b>14</b> 10am Turra Turtles Playgroup 8pm Management Committee</p>	<p>10am S 10am P  Ma Ne</p>
<p><b>19</b> <b>TURRATOTS SERVICE</b> 9am Family Service 10.45am Traditional Service 2.30pm Pini Hazelwood Concert 4.30pm Youth Alpha 6.30pm Night Church</p>	<p><b>20</b> 10am Pray as you go 6.30pm Alpha (offsite)</p>	<p><b>21</b> 10am Turra Turtles Playgroup 8pm Church Council</p>	<p>10am S 10am P 7pm F</p>
<p><b>26</b> <b>FLEA MARKET WEEKEND</b> 9am Family Service 10.30am Mission BBQ 10.45am Traditional Service 4.30pm Youth Alpha 6.30pm Night Church</p>	<p><b>27</b> 10am Pray as you go 6.30pm Alpha (offsite)</p>	<p><b>28</b> 10am Turra Turtles Playgroup 1pm Scissors &amp; Pins 8pm 9am Support Group</p>	<p>10am S 10am P</p>



# DATES FOR MAY

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Seniors Centre Pray as you go Holy communion	<b>2</b> 1pm SBY Bible Study 7.45pm Thursday Ponderers	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>8</b> Seniors Centre Pray as you go Men's Monthly Morning Tea	<b>9</b> 10am Thursday Fellowship	<b>10</b> 3.30pm Bugz 5.30pm Turrazone 7pm Square One	<b>11</b>
<b>15</b> Seniors Centre Pray as you go <i>Material for next newsletter Due</i>	<b>16</b> 1pm SBY Bible Study 2pm Turramurra House 7.45pm Thursday Ponderers	<b>17</b> 3.30pm Bugz 5.30pm Turrazone 7pm Square One	<b>18</b> <b>FEDERAL ELECTION</b> <b>NO Polling Station</b> <b>At TUC</b>
<b>22</b> Seniors Centre Pray as you go Flea Market Set-Up	<b>23</b> 10am Thursday Fellowship Morning Tea (offsite) 12pm Flea Market Prep 7.30pm 7Cs Assisting FM Set-up	<b>24</b> 9am Flea Market Prep 3.30pm Bugz 5.30pm Turrazone 7pm Square One	<b>25</b> 8.30am Flea Market 2pm Flea Market Clean Up
<b>29</b> Seniors Centre Pray as you go	<b>30</b> 7.45pm Coffee & Chat	<b>31</b> 3.30pm Bugz 5.30pm Turrazone 7pm Square One	

## COMING UP

### THURSDAY PONDERERS

Thursday Ponderers will meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month starting at 7.45pm in the Jacaranda Room.



Enquiries to Carolyn Cross

### S.B.Y. BIBLE STUDY

We will meet on Thursday 2nd and 16th May in the TUC Lounge from 1pm. For more information contact Val Quarmby.

### MEN'S MONTHLY MORNING TEA

Our next morning tea will be on Wednesday 8th May from 10am in the Garden Room—All Men Welcome! Contact Ted Gifford if you would like more information.

### SCISSORS & PINS

Scissors and Pins are a craft group that usually meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Lounge Room from 1-4pm. Unfortunately we have had to cancel 14th May meeting and will only meet on 28th May.



Enquiries to Lynne Gardiner 0416242663

### TURRAMURRA HOUSE SERVICE

Our next Service will be on Thursday 16th May from 2pm. Please join us if you are able.

### THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP

Please join us for our next meeting where we will discuss Art in Poetry. Thursday 9th May at 10am in the TUC Lounge. Please bring along your favourite poem to share.

Enquiries Marg Irwin 9449 7306

### 7Cs WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

7cs Will help with setting up for the Flea Market on Thursday 23rd May from 7.30pm. Enquiries Heather Koroknay.

### THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP MORNING TEA

Please join us for a Coffee Morning at Galley Foods Eatery, Bobbin Head Marina on Thursday 23rd May 10am. Please let Stewart Bland/Carole Brown know if you would like transport via the Northaven Bus.

### COFFEE & CHAT NIGHT

We will meet on Thursday 30th May at 7.45pm at the home of Judy & Keith Napper for a casual coffee & chat—



all welcome.  
enquiries to Carolyn Cross

*Please send all items for inclusion in the **June** newsletter to the Church Office by **15th May***

## Thursday Fellowship

- When:** 9th May, 10am  
**Where:** TUC Lounge  
**Who:** Everyone's welcome  
**Topic:** Art in Poetry  
**Bring::** Please bring along your favourite poem to recite.  
**Contacts** We can provide transport, contact: Marg Irwin 9449 7306 or Eleanor Powell 0417 455 378 for more info



Join together for an afternoon at Northaven Monday 6th May 2019

In the Northaven Lounge at 2.30pm. For an afternoon tea & chat



IT'S OUR MOST EPIC YEAR YET!  
**EMERGE**  
**2019**  
May 11 • Karaoke  
August 15 • Brushes and Bottles  
October 11, 12 and 13 • Emerge Getaway  
December 14 • Beach Party



- Where:** Judy & Keith Nappers Home  
**When:** Thursday 30 May 7.45pm  
**Who:** Everyone Welcome  
**Enquires:** Carolyn Cross

## MINIBUS OUTING



### Minibus Day Outing

Tuesday 21st May  
8.30 am – 4.30 pm

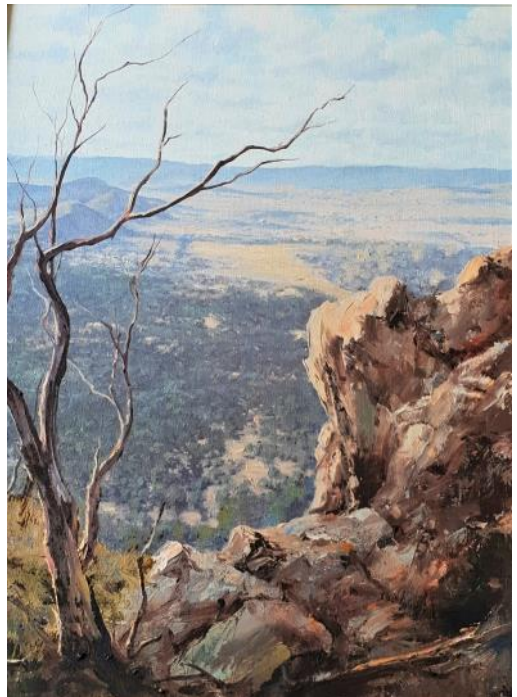
**\$40**  
Plus OPAL



- HUNTER VALLEY day trip – 2 wineries and café lunch
- Train to Morristet, then minibus tour and return
  - **Bookings Essential - via TUC office or Wayne 0408 164 966**

## PAINTING GIFTED TO THE CHURCH FOR SALE

Alan Williams has kindly gifted an original oil painting by Kevin Best OAM, one of the finest Australian landscape painters of the 20th century, to the Church for sale. The painting "View from Mt Nangar" is 50cm x 40cm and picture and frame are in good condition. We believe the painting is worth around \$1,000 and Bruce Irwin (9449 7306) would like to discuss its purchase with any interested person. It will be available for viewing in the church foyer each Sunday morning in April until sold



## INVITATIONS

# SATURDAY SOCIAL LUNCH

All Welcome

**SATURDAY 8th June 2019**  
12pm TUC Lounge

### Lasagna & Salad

Cost \$15 per person - Lunch will include:

Nibbles & Juice

Main Meal & Salad

Mini Magnum Ice Creams

Tea/Coffee with cake



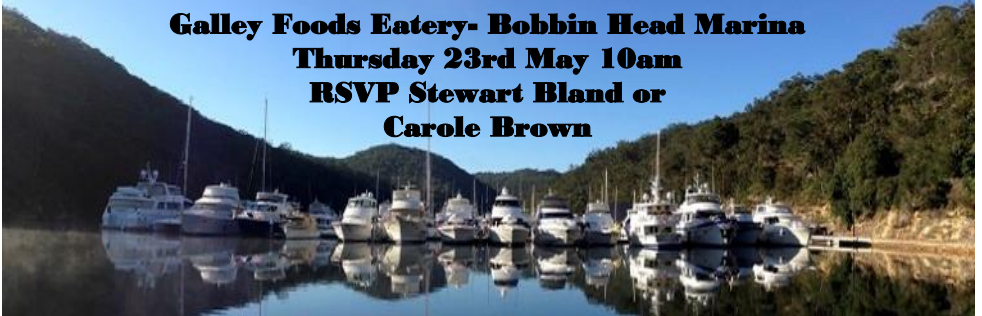
*Please RSVP to Pamela Bull 0408 016 064 or [pamela\\_bull@yahoo.com.au](mailto:pamela_bull@yahoo.com.au)  
and advise if you would need transport*

## Fellowship Coffee Morning All Welcome

**Galley Foods Eatery- Bobbin Head Marina**

**Thursday 23rd May 10am**

**RSVP Stewart Bland or  
Carole Brown**



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



1 June

Safe Church Awareness Workshop  
Terrigal Uniting

13 July

Dementia Workshop—Please note  
change of date

28 July

Combined AGM Service

26 October

Flea Market



## CONTACT DETAILS FOR GROUPS

### JOIN IN PRAYER...

#### ♦ Prayer for Missionaries:

monthly on the first Sunday at 5.30pm in the Chapel. Contact Lindy Russell 9449 8876

#### ♦ Pray as you go

Meets at 10am Monday & Wednesday in the Chapel. [www.pray-as-you-go.org](http://www.pray-as-you-go.org) All welcome

### SENIORS CENTRE

♦ Providing respite day care (10am-2pm in the Lounge) within a fellowship and friendship group, for older people in the congregation and wider community. Contact Katherine Mifsud 0447 821695

### TURRA TOTS

#### Turramurra Occasional Childcare Centre

♦ The Centre is open between 8.30am to 3.30pm Mon-Fri at 13 Gilroy Road, Turramurra. Regular or casual positions available. Bookings essential 9988 3383

### KIDS' CHURCH

♦ Meets on Sunday mornings during the 9am service. Includes Crèche, Infants, Primary and Junior High.

### YOUTH GROUPS

♦ **Turrazone:** for Years 3 to 6, Fridays, 5.30-7pm. Cost \$5 includes a meal. Contact Jonty Cornford 0403 510 430 or email [jonty.cornford@gmail.com](mailto:jonty.cornford@gmail.com)

♦ **Square One:** co-ed for high schoolers (years 7-12) meets Fridays 7-9.30pm Contact Jonty Cornford 0403 510 430 or email [jonty.cornford@gmail.com](mailto:jonty.cornford@gmail.com)

♦ **Emerge:** Emerge is the Young Adults group at Turramurra Uniting Church. We are committed to supporting young adults in building relationships and strengthening their faith. Contact James Morgan

♦ **Turra Turtles Playgroup:** Tuesday mornings (Term Time only) 10am-12pm Contact Office 9144 1853

### GETTING TOGETHER...

♦ **Women's Evening Fellowship** – meets every second month on 1st Tuesday at 7.45pm in the Lounge Room. Enquiries Margaret Kemp 9144 6803

♦ **Thursday Fellowship** – meets monthly on 2nd Thursday in the Lounge at 10am. Enquiries Pamela Bull 0408 016 064

♦ **Saturday Social Lunch** – Meets every 2nd month on a Saturday from 12pm. Enquiries Pamela Bull 0408 016 064

♦ **Scissors & Pins** – craft and chat. Meets on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Enquiries Fay Bulloch 9489 2568

♦ **Thursday Ponderers** - Bible Study meet on 1st & 3rd Thursday each month from 7.45pm in the Jacaranda Room  
Enquiries Carolyn Cross 9489 2415

♦ **Friday Evening Home Group** - contact Alison Willson 9449 4171

♦ **7Cs Women's Fellowship** - meets monthly in the evening. From 8pm for supper and fellowship  
Contact Heather Korokny 0414 931 863

♦ **Young Adults** - interested in meeting some friendly young adults? Or getting involved in a weekly Bible study? Contact James Morgan via email [james.m.morgan88@gmail.com](mailto:james.m.morgan88@gmail.com)

♦ **S.B.Y Bible Study** meet at 1pm on 1st & 3rd Thursday each month in the lounge  
Contact Ron & Val Quarmby 9988 0245

♦ **Men's Monthly Morning Tea (MMMT)**  
Held monthly on the 2nd Wednesday in the Garden Room 10-11am An informal group for Men. Contact Ted Gifford 9449 7060

## THE LAST WORD

### FEDERAL ELECTION 2019

Please note that TUC has not been chosen to be a Polling Station for the upcoming Federal Election on 18th May. Please let local friends/neighbours know that the local polling places are:

- ★ Turramurra Public School,
- ★ Turramurra High School,
- ★ North Turramurra Public School.

### LOST PROPERTY

Please check the basket in the lounge for misplaced items, any items not collected will be donated to the May Flea Market.



### GARDEN MOWING ROSTER

18th May-David Russell

## TUC eNews - WEEKLY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Each week Lara and Phil send out an email filled with all the church news, updates and information about worship services and other events that are happening. If you would like to receive the TUC eNews email each week, please contact Lara via email: [info@turramurrauniting.org.au](mailto:info@turramurrauniting.org.au) and pass on your



## FINANCIALS

### TUC Accounts Details for Giving Direct/Tithes & Offerings:

BSB: 634634

Account Number: 100025926

### TUC Account Details for Projects or one-off giving:

BSB: 634634

Account Number: 100023031

### PRIVACY AT TURRAMURRA UNITING CHURCH

We require the information included in this newsletter for the smooth running of fellowship activities within our church. The information is not intended for any other use. If you have any queries concerning personal information provided in this newsletter please contact the Privacy Officer: via the Church Office 9144 1853.

### FIRE ALARM

If the fire alarm is sounding please phone one or more of these numbers

### Fire Wardens

<b>0408 332 275</b>	<b>9449 5211</b>
<b>0427 948 783</b>	<b>9487 8307</b>
<b>0418 439 088</b>	<b>9489 6957</b>
<b>0432 745 525</b>	<b>9449 7306</b>

## SERVICE TIMES THIS MONTH

1 May	12.45pm	Holy communion		Rev Phil Swain
5 May	9.00am	Family Service		Rev Phil Swain
	10.45am	Traditional Service		Rev Phil Swain
	6.30pm	Night Church		Rev Phil Swain
12 May	9.00am	<b>MOTHER'S DAY</b> Family Service		Rev Phil Swain
	10.45am	Traditional Service		Rev Phil Swain
	6.30pm	Night Church		Rev Phil Swain
19 May	9.00am	<b>TURRATOTS</b> Family Service		Rev Phil Swain
	10.45am	Traditional Service		John Myeongcheol Oh
	6.30pm	Night Church		Group Discussion
26 May	9.00am	Family Service		Rev Phil Swain
	10.45am	Traditional Service		Rev Phil Swain
	6.30pm	Night Church		Guest Preacher

## Contact Us



### ◆ MINISTER

Phil Swain  
Phone: 9144 1853/0417 123 891  
phil.swain@turramurrauniting.org.au

### ◆ CHILDREN'S YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

Jonty Cornford  
Phone: 9144 1853/0403 510 430  
jonty.cornford@gmail.com

### ◆ STUDENT MINISTER

John (Myeongcheol Oh)  
motion153@gmail.com

### ◆ CHURCH OFFICE (10 TURRAMURRA AVE)

Open Mon-Fri 10am-1pm  
Phone 9144 1853  
office@turramurrauniting.org.au  
P O Box 157 Turramurra NSW 2074  
www.turramurrauniting.org.au

### ◆ COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Seniors Centre (Wednesday)**  
Teresa Pulley  
Phone: 0447 821695  
seniorscentre@turramurrauniting.org.au  
**Turra Tots Occasional Child Care Centre**  
Phone: 9988 3383  
**Turra Turtles Playgroup**  
Phone TUC Office 9144 1853

### ◆ PASTORAL CARE

pastoralcare@turramurrauniting.org.au

### ◆ WORK HEALTH & SAFETY MONITOR

Report incidents & hazards to the WHS Monitor  
safety@turramurrauniting.org.au

### ◆ ACCOUNTS AT TUC

For Giving Direct BSB 634634 A/C 100025926  
For Projects BSB 634634 A/C 100023031