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December 2018

WORSHIP TIMES

COORPAROO CAMPUS

260 Cavendish Rd, Coorparoo
Sunday 9:00am

NORMAN PARK CAMPUS

177 Bennetts Rd, Norman Park
Sunday 2, 9 & 16 5:30pm

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MONTHLY READINGS

December 2

Jeremiah 33: 14-16
Psalm 25: 1-10
1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13
Luke 21: 25-36

December 9

Malachi 3: 1-4
Luke 1: 68-79
Philippians 1: 3-11
Luke 3: 1-6

December 16

Zephaniah 3: 14-20
Isaiah 12: 2-6-25
Philippians 4: 4-7
Luke 3: 7-18

December 23

Micah 5: 2-5a
Psalm 80: 1-7
Hebrews 10: 5-10
Luke 1: 39-45, (46-55)

December 30

1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26
Psalm 148
Colossians 3: 12-17
Luke 2: 41-52

THANK YOU

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ACROSS OUR COMMUNITY

Welcome Rev. Neil

Faith Works has a brand new Minister - and not just because it is a new appointment! Neil Storey will join us in January following his ordination as a Minister of the Word on December 1. How new is that!

Since 2015, Neil has led the Moreton Faith Community in Strathpine. Thanks in part to Neil's stewardship, Moreton is a community which in its short life has thrived and grown.

Neil has been involved with the Uniting Church in many lay roles. He has been a youth leader, elder, church council member and Synod representative. He has been a board member for Emmaus north Brisbane since 2012 and has also chaired the local chaplaincy committee at his kid's local school.

Neil holds Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Theology qualifications. Professionally, he has worked in senior management accounting roles across different levels of state and local governments in Victoria and Queensland. He is also a Certified Practising Accountant.

Born in Northern Island, Neil immigrated to Australia with his family when he was in his early teens. He is married to Tracey, and they have five children.

We look forward to welcoming Neil at Faith Works in the New Year.

Monday Midday Prayer

Please join us in praying together each Monday at midday in December:

Lord, strengthen us to stick up for the truth of the gospel; may our speaking and living be done in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

AT COORPAROO IN DECEMBER

Christmas Services

Our Christmas services at Coorparoo this year will be at 6:30pm on Christmas Eve and at 8:00am on Christmas Day. Please join us on this most joyous of occasions. All Welcome.

Home Group

Bible study every Monday evening at 28 Isabella St, Tarragindi commencing at 7:00pm. All Welcome. Please note that the last meeting for this year will be on Monday 3 December. The Group will reconvene the first Monday in February 2019.

AT NORMAN PARK IN DECEMBER

Dinner Church - Christmas Services

Something special happening at Norman Park this month. During Advent, we are hosting Food and Faith Works from 5:30pm on three Sunday evenings - the 2nd, 9th and 16th of December. Intimate and informal, our Sunday evening gatherings are a great way to celebrate the lead up to Christmas as we come together over an evening meal to reach out and connect to each other and God. So please join us, all are welcome.

Music with Movement

This fun program, which runs Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:00am, introduces toddlers 0-5 to music, rhythm and beat. If you would like to involve your kids/grandkids, please drop in any Wednesday morning (except during school holidays). You will be most welcome.

Please note that the last session for 2018 will be on Wednesday December 12. The program will start up again in February 2019.



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DECEMBER EXTRAS

Carols under the Stars

Our Carols night at Norman Park on November 25 was a success with 50+ people taking time out on Sunday afternoon to come along and get into the Christmas spirit. A big vote of thanks goes to the Karen and Des Bowler, John and Ranjeny Loneragan, Lesley Bishop and Rev. Lyn for the work they put into organising and ensuring the success of the service. Thanks also to all who helped with the sausage sizzle, drink and candle sales, and with the setting and cleaning up.

Cause of the Month

Our Cause of the Month in December is **Christmas Bowl**. Supporting the Christmas Bowl appeal is an essential way to help make a life-changing difference to the people around the world who need it most. Your tax deductible gift will help to fund a range of long-term projects in places like Ethiopia, Gaza, India, Jordan, Pakistan, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Vanuatu and Zimbabwe. Please give generously.

Pizza Night

Unfortunately our last Pizza Night for December had to be cancelled as Queensland fire authorities have imposed a total fire ban due to the State's harsh weather conditions.

But do don't despair pizza lovers! Our monthly Pizza program will resume again next year with our first get together for 2019 set down for Saturday 2nd February.

Year of Discernment Prayer

As you are aware, Faith Works is participating in the South Moreton Presbytery's Year of Discernment process to consider how churches in our local area might work together to more effectively engage in the mission of God.

As part of that process we are asked to pray for the Year of Discernment. The prayers for December are printed in the Destiny Together newsletter which is distributed each Sunday at our Coorparoo service.

Noosaville Camp

If you are looking to get away after Christmas with a great group of people, then this is for you. There will be an informal camp for people from the Destiny Together churches at Badger's Wood Campsite, Noosaville from Wednesday 26th December to Thursday 3rd January.

The cost is \$11 per person per night and children under 5 are free. Activities may include swimming, canoeing, night walks, jig saws, cards, fishing, hiking, shopping and movies.

For more information and to receive a flyer contact Kathy Higgins 3343 6455 or 0419 029 027.

Christmas lights tour

It's your last chance to book tickets for the Destiny Together Christmas Lights bus tour. If you are interested book now via destinytogetherbustours@gmail.com before it's too late.

Wesley 500 Food Campaign



Wesley Mission (Qld) is inviting everyone to join with them in the 500 Food Campaign this Christmas. 500 Food is about raising \$500 to help support 10 families in need. All we have to do is to register on their site (www.redbagappeal.org.au/event/view/500food) to host a fundraising page and invite friends, family and work colleagues to make an online tax deductible donation.

A \$50 donation buys a Red Bag full of Christmas goodies for a family in need within our community. This is a great way to extend joy and hope this Christmas in a practical way so that many in our community will still experience something special this Christmas. Please register.