



**Uniting  
Church**  
Boronia Park  
Congregation

# Joyful People + Christ's Love

Newsletter November 2021 Issue



**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE IS NOW HELD IN PERSON!**

AND online worship resources are still available on our website.

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**Church office opening hour: Thursday 10AM to 2PM**

**BORONIA PARK UNITING CHURCH**

## Readings and Prayers for weekly spiritual practice

Day	Bible Readings	Churches Together Prayer Cycle	World Cycle of Prayer
<b>7 November</b> <b>Pentecost 24</b>	Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24 Revelations 21:1-6a John 11:32-44	Anglican Parish of Hunters Hill - All Saints and St. Mark's	Oceania: French Polynesia, Kanakya, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu
<b>14 November</b> <b>Pentecost 25</b>	1 Samuel 1:4-20 1 Samuel 2:1-10 Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25 Mark 13:1-8	St Charles Borromeo and Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish	Aotearoa- New Zealand, Australia
<b>21 November</b> <b>Reign of Christ</b>	2 Samuel 23:1-7 Psalm 132:1-12, (13- 18) Revelations 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37	Uniting Church congregations, faith communities, chaplains in the City of Ryde Zone	East Timor, (Timor-Leste) Indonesia, Philippines
<b>28 November</b> <b>Advent 1</b>	Jeremiah 33:14-16 Psalm 25:1-10 1 Thessalonians 3:9- 13 Luke 21:25-36	Villa Maria Holy Name of Mary and St. Peter Chanel	Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore
<b>5 December</b> <b>Advent 2</b>	Malachi 3:1-4 Luke 1:68-79 Philippians 1:3-11 Luke 3:1-6	Glades Hill Presbyterian Church and Kalos Korean Church	Myanmar, Thailand
<b>12 December</b> <b>Advent 3</b>	Zephaniah 3:14-20 Isaiah 12:2-6 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:7-18	Life Congregational Church (Hunters Hill Congregational Church)	Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam

### Dates for your Diary:

**The church office will be open from Thursday 11 November. The office hour is from 10AM to 2PM every Thursday.**

Contact the minister if needed any pastoral matter. Your donation for the emergency aid of Sydney Community Services will be received during the office hour.

**[SAVE THE DATE] Bus Trip will resume on Saturday 18 December 2021. See Margaret Treble or the Minister.**

# Church Sunday Worship Roster

*\* All elders are on duty of pastoral care service for your need.*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Lead</b>	<b>Screen and Sound</b>	<b>Bible Reading</b>	<b>Kid's Talk</b>	<b>Prayers of the People</b>
<b>7 November</b>	<b>Communion</b> The Minister	Joshua Yeon	Christy Kim	Gabby Su Young Lyons	Justin Han
<b>14 November</b>	The Minister	Carmen Lam	Jenny Warren	Margaret Treble	Robyn Harvey
<b>21 November</b>	The Minister	Kevin Lee	Jenny Keast	Rosemary Brook	Joshua Yeon
<b>28 November</b>	The Minister	Daniel Yeon	Carmen Lam	Alan Keast	Rosemary Brook
<b>5 December</b>	<b>Communion</b> The Minister	Justin Han	Kevin Lee	Gabby Su Young Lyons	Barnabas Joo

## Prayer Requests

**Elders and the minister will continue holding all the members and their family near and far. If you want them to pray for your current circumstances and issues, please let them know. All information you share with is confidential.**

- \* For those who works at the frontline in order to maintain the life with COVID-19 pandemic as easing restrictions.
- \* For parent/s who always take a great care of child/ren, their education at both school system and alternative pathway and well-being.
- \* For those who in this month have HSC/IB exams.
- \* **For our youth group members and Sunday School students, especially those who help them to increase God's purpose in life—Marg Maxwell, Lenny Lee and Seung Jae. Pray for young people's spiritual wellbeing and their questioning faith and life.**

## A way to seek to find a God willing: Seung Jae's day walk along the Great North Walk – Part 5 (from Cowan Station to Brooklyn)



Finally, I had my half-day off last Wednesday 3 November to resume the Great North Walk (GNW). It has been like a year since I ceased the walk due to various reasons. I had set dates many times and packed things for walk. Then cancelled and unpacked. While I had been working in my study, staring at

my backpack and boots, I dreamed of re-joining the GNW and finding a way where God's Spirit leads me on. What I could do was to wait until God moves.

This was a great opportunity that I had nothing to do on that Wednesday. The day before, I prepared everything including a web search of the route from Cowan Station to Brooklyn and where to feed me after the walk. I didn't forget to check out the weather. All good. I was super excited about re-booting my passion in the GNW. Then I hopped in the train from West Ryde to Cowan.

I had two goals in this walk – using public transport and picking up trash. Travelling by bus and train would make me remind of the climate change. As the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) is being held in Glasgow, my few things might show my support on climate justice. My goal of walking and picking up trash,



or also known as Plogging (The term “plogging” is coined from the English phrase “jogging” and “plocka upp”, a Swedish term that means “picking up”.) was made not because it is a fitness trend but because I wanted to show my respect to the wider green friends’ community. (Note that I call my garden ‘green friends’. So this time I would have extended my friendship to those in the bush.) I picked up approximately a half kilo of trash during walking 15 kilometres. I walked, committing myself to care for the mother earth and the land of the Darug and Guringai People.



At Jerusalem Bay, I didn't realise two huge valleys to climb before me after this lovely break.

The Cowan Station to Brooklyn course that I walked was not an easy one. Just after the first break at Jerusalem Bay, there were two peaks and valleys, and both were very steep especial when it was uphill. (But I didn't realise until I finished the course.) During the first uphill I could not manage my physical and mental ability because I

walked up hill like doing on a suburban foot path. In the middle of the climbing, I became out of battery. I could not move one step further. Having eaten snack and hot tea, I gained some energy and then moved on. When I faced the second uphill course, firstly I looked up the peak, thinking to myself that this time I need to keep pace well to go up to the top. Though the second one was steeper than the first one, I was able to make it possible to climb up without any micro break. You know what? It happened in the first 5 km course. There was a long way to go!

I used a half of my physical fuel tank so far. Though I packed something to eat and drink, it could not supply enough. But from there I tested my whole being including my mentality and physical strength. On the dirty and rocky bushfire

trail, all I did was to keep walking. The significant signpost of GNW kept telling me where I was heading. No one was there so there was only an absolute quietness. From time to time, I talked to myself, in order to break the human silence, saying like, “Seungjae-ya (it’s a Korean way to call friendly a third person.) how are you going? Are you hungry? When we get to Brooklyn, let us have a hot meal and a cold drink, okay?” Self-motivated! And continued, “Seungjae-ya, it is so good to be out here in the nature and you have now your



own time to face who you are. You are so important in your life being with your family and all church members. Keep looking after you all the time.” Self-caring moment during this talk to myself. When I walked around the Brooklyn dam and took a brief reflection time at its shore, I enjoyed absolutely a freedom from any kind of pressure that I had collated. There were some lotus flowers sprang from where I rested. That moment became my prayer of the day. I was able to deeply root my being into the presence of God in the nature. It was so good. Really so good.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Colossians 3:15

My muscles ached over but my heart was full of peace that I found during the walk. Once I finished the course and got home, I was thankful to God who walked along with me and to my family who are in this journey of faith giving me reason to persevere. Of course, I was thinking of all of you on that night. Then I slept like a log. Walking this journey always gives me life. In this life and this moment, I, with you all, am who I am.

