



ALLORA UNITING CHURCH  
44 Warwick St, ALLORA

23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

## Theme: YESTERDAY TODAY FOREVER

### PRESBYTERY MEETING AGENDA (DRAFT)

To remind us all of why we meet, here is an extract from the Basis of Union paragraph 15:

*The Presbytery's 'function is to perform all the acts of oversight necessary to the life and mission of the Church in the area for which it is responsible, except for those agencies which are directly responsible to the Synod or Assembly. It will in particular exercise oversight over the congregations within its bounds, encouraging them to strengthen one another's faith, to bear one another's burdens, and exhorting them to fulfil their high calling in Christ Jesus. It will promote those wider aspects of the work of the Church committed to it by the Synod or Assembly.'*

And from paragraph 26 of the Constitution *'The Presbytery shall have such oversight as is necessary to the life and mission of the Church in the area committed to it; it shall stimulate and encourage the Congregations within the bounds, providing them with opportunities for counsel in the strengthening and assistance of one another and in their participation in wider aspects of the work of the Church . The Presbytery shall also have such further responsibilities as may be assigned to it by the Assembly or Synod and may do such other things as are consistent with the purposes of the Church, not being the exclusive responsibility of any other council or body within the Church.'*

Here is a link to the [UCA Basis of Union, Constitution and Regulations 2018 and Manual for Meetings](#)

As much as possible this is a paperless meeting reports are on the Presbytery website [HERE](#) and the password is: **grace** if you need assistance or would like a paper copy please contact [admin@downspresbytery.org.au](mailto:admin@downspresbytery.org.au) by **19<sup>th</sup> February 2024**.

#### BEFORE THE MEETING

- Take time to prayerfully prepare for the time we will be spending together.
- Remember our meeting is conducted using the Manual for Meetings.
- Please read all the reports and contact the author of the reports if you have any question.
- Any additions for General Business please email to Allison Kahler [secretary@downspresbytery.org.au](mailto:secretary@downspresbytery.org.au)
- Let us know if you have any pastoral concerns or prayer points.
- **REMEMBER** your congregation will be invoiced for your meals by the Treasurer before the Presbytery meeting.

Ms Allison Kahler

Email: [secretary@downspresbytery.org.au](mailto:secretary@downspresbytery.org.au)

**FRIDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2024** – Allora Uniting Church, 44 Warwick St, Allora

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Notes</b>
10:30 – 12:30am	<b>SACRAMENT REFRESHER WORKSHOP</b> <i>Open to those who are Authorised Lay Presiders in their local setting or people who are interested in listening and learning about what is involved in this ministry.</i>	<i>Rev Kate Fraser</i>
12:30 – 1:30pm	<b>LUNCH (bring your own)</b>	
1:30pm – 2:45pm	<b>Safe Church Lay Volunteer Training Introduction</b>	<i>Kath Warner Yvonne McRostie</i>
<b>2:45pm – 3pm</b>	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>	
3– 4:30pm	<b>Safe Church Lay Volunteer Training Foundations</b>	<i>Kath Warner Yvonne McRostie</i>
4:30 – 5:30	<b>Ministry Agent</b> – Conversation and Prayer	<i>Adam Tipple</i>
5:30 – 6pm	<b>GATHERING</b> Registration for Presbytery	
<b>6pm – 6:45pm</b>	<b>DINNER</b> <i>hosted by the people of Allora UC</i>	
6:45pm – 7pm	<b>OPENING WORSHIP</b>	
7pm – 8pm	<b>BUSINESS OF THE MEETING</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY</li> <li>2. WELCOME</li> <li>3. VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS</li> <li>4. APOLOGIES</li> <li>5. MANUAL FOR MEETINGS</li> <li>6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA</li> <li>7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES NOVEMBER MEETING</li> <li>8. ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER</li> <li>9. RECEIVE THE REPORTS</li> <li>10. ADOPTION OF THE CHILD AND YOUTH RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY</li> <li>11. ADOPTION OF THE DELEGATION POLICY</li> </ol>	
8pm	<b>CLOSE OF SESSION</b> <i>resume on Saturday at 9am with worship.</i>	

## SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 – Allora Uniting Church 44 Warwick St, Allora

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Notes</b>
8:30am – 9am	<b>GATHERING</b>	
9am – 9:45am	<p><b>PRAISE AND WORSHIP</b>  <i>You are invited to gather for worship in your zones:</i></p> <p><b>GREEN</b> – David P (Lifeworks, Oakey, Jondaran, Dalby, Jandowae and Chinchilla)</p> <p><b>BLACK</b> – Ansie L (Stanthorpe, Severnlea, Warwick, Killarney, Freestane, Nobby, Pilton, Allora, Scots PGC College)</p> <p><b>MAROON</b> – Willie L (Middle Ridge, BlueCare, CBW, Bottle Tree)</p> <p><b>PURPLE</b> – Warren M (Presbytery Office, St Stephens, DDHS, Pittsworth, Millmerran, Goondiwindi)</p> <p><b>ORANGE</b> – Jenny N (Highfields, Crows Nest, Thornville, St George and Wilsonton)</p>	
9:45am – 10:30am	<b>BIBLE STUDY</b>	<i>Rev Yvonne McRostie</i>
10:30am – 10:45am	<b>INTRODUCTION TO THE BALLOTS</b>	<i>Rev Adam Tipple</i>
10:45am – 11:15am	<b>MORNING TEA</b>	
11:15am – 12:15pm	<b>PASTORAL CARE IN HOSPITALS</b>	<i>Rev Jenny Potter Dr Stephen Hughes</i>
12:15pm – 12:30pm	<b>MISSION MOMENTS CLOSE OF BALLOTS</b>	
12:30pm – 1:30pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1:30pm – 1:45pm	<b>DECLARATION OF BALLOTS</b>	
1:45pm – 2:15pm	<b>UNITINGCARE UPDATES</b>	<i>Rev Dr Peter Armstrong</i>
2:15pm – 3pm	<p><b>REPORTS</b></p> <p><b>1. STANDING COMMITTEE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treasurer’s Report</li> <li>• Property Report</li> <li>• MC3 Report</li> <li>• Presbytery Minister’s Report</li> <li>• CBW Remote Area</li> <li>• Bottle Tree Remote Area</li> </ul>	<i>Rev Adam Tipple Mrs Jenny Noble Rev Rob Callow Rev Marius Kruger Rev Yvonne McRostie Ps Jennie Feldmeier Rev Dona Spencer</i>

	<b>2. PASTORAL RELATIONS REPORT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rural and Remote Committee Proposal</li> <li>Extension beyond Ten Years Proposal</li> </ul> <b>3. BLUECARE CHAPLAINCY</b> <b>4. TOOWOOMBA DOWNS CHURCHES TOGETHER/TOOWOOMBA INTERFAITH WORKING GROUP</b>	<i>Rev Ansie Liebenberg</i> <i>Rev Yvonne McRostie</i>  <i>Ps Peter Cole</i> <i>Mr John Agnew</i>
3pm – 3:30pm	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>	
3:30pm – 4pm	<b>SYNOD NEWS</b> <i>including news about Easter Madness; Intergen and Discipleship resources, Safe Church.</i>	<i>Rev Bruce Moore,</i> <i>Moderator of Qld Synod</i> <i>Mrs Jess Pinkerton</i>
4pm – 4:15pm	<b>EASTERN DOWNS PARISH STORY</b>	
4:15pm – 4:30pm	<b>MISSION MOMENTS</b>	
4:30pm – 5pm	<b>GENERAL BUSINESS and COMMUNICATIONS</b>	
5:15pm	<b>CLOSE OF BUSINESS</b> <b>NEXT PRESBYTERY MEETING</b> <i>Lifeworks Uniting Church, 615 Boundary Road, Glenvale</i> <b>THANK YOUS</b> <b>CLOSE OF MEETING</b>	
6pm – 9pm	<b>DINNER AND FELLOWSHIP</b>	

## SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 Allora Uniting Church 44 Warwick St, Allora

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Notes</b>
9am	<b>WORSHIP – Communion</b> <i>Rev Bruce Moore, Moderator Qld Synod is preaching at this service.</i> <i>Communion will be led by our outgoing Chairperson Rev Adam Tipple along with Rev Jenny Potter who is leaving our Presbytery to take up her new placement in Central Queensland.</i> <i>Presentation of Moderator’s Medal to Mrs Kath Warner.</i>	<i>Allora Uniting Church</i>

## Reports and Supporting Documents

All reports and supporting documents should be available by 19<sup>th</sup> February and will be posted as they are received on the website [HERE](#) Password: *grace*

1. Draft Minutes of the Previous Meeting November 2023
2. **Standing Committee Report**– Ms Alison Kahler and Rev Adam Tipple
  - 2.1. Correspondence Report – Ms Allison Kahler
  - 2.2. Delegation Policy
  - 2.3. Proposal to Adopt the Child and Youth Risk Management Strategy
  - 2.4. Treasurer’s Report – Ps Jenny Noble
  - 2.5. Property Report – Rev Rob Callow
  - 2.6. Presbytery Minister Report – Rev Yvonne McRostie
  - 2.7. Mission Collaboration Coordination Committee Report – Rev Marius Kruger
  - 2.8. Bottle Tree Remote Area – Rev Dona Spencer
  - 2.9. Cunnamulla Burke and Wills Remote Area – Ps Jennie Feldmeier
3. **Pastoral Relations Committee** – Rev Ansie Liebenberg
  - 3.1. Rural and Remote Committee Proposal – Rev Yvonne McRostie/Mrs Jenny Noble
  - 3.2. Period of Discernment Report – Rev Jenny Potter
  - 3.3. Extension Beyond Ten Years – Rev Yvonne McRostie (to be tabled at Presbytery)
4. **Blue Care Chaplain’s Report** – Ps Peter Cole
5. **Pastoral Care Coordination Committee Report** – Rev Jenny Potter
6. **Scots PGC Report**
7. **Downs and Toowoomba Churches Together** – Mr John Agnew
8. **Toowoomba Interfaith Working Group** – Mr John Agnew
9. **UnitingCare Connect 100 Report** – Rev Tanya Richards

Other helpful document that are available the website:

- ◇ Constitution and Regulation of UCA 2018 (Revised 2019)
- ◇ Manual for Meetings
- ◇ Code of Conduct for Lay Leaders
- ◇ Code of Ethics and Ministry Practice