

Uniting Church in Australia
Dayboro Congregation
Congregation Meeting 26th March, 2017

Church Council Reports to Congregation.

1. Sunday Worship. (Danny)

- Numbers of Worshippers are generally increasing.
- A Church Development Committee under Paul Inglis has been established to increase awareness in the community of our church, its programs and services.
- The Music Team is playing well together and the congregation is responding by singing strongly.

2. Fostering Spiritual Growth. (Don and Bill)

- Pastoral Care. Communion services have been held monthly as a general rule.
- Mt Mee congregation has been invited to appoint a representative to our Council.
- Modern Worship Practices. The Council will consider establishing a 'Messy Church' form of family worship at its next meeting.
- Danny and Don are our representatives at Presbytery.
- Two Jam sessions have been held on Sunday afternoons, with about twenty people attending.

3. Caring for Others within the Congregation. (Carolyn)

- Bible Study. Meets every Wednesday with an average attendance of nine.
- Prayer Net. This is coordinated by Paul Inglis, many people, both from the congregation and from the community have commented how much they appreciated our prayers.
- Home Group. Meets monthly for a meal at member's homes with a topical Christian or ethical discussion.
- PULSE. The youth group is a partnership with Dayboro Christian Church, being held on Sunday evenings with oversight by Pastors of each church.
- Newsletter. Provides information for the Church community, which Maria does a wonderful job in co-ordinating.
- It would be great to see more interest groups develop.
- Thanks to those many people who help behind the scenes.

3.1. Children's Mission. (Fiona)

- Sunday Space. Fiona to expand.
- Mainly Music. Fiona to expand.
- Green Bags. Fiona to expand.

4. Caring for Others outside the Congregation. (Ann)

- Conversation Club. Our congregation has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Wesley Mission Queensland, the formal provider of services for 'My Aged Care', the Government funding body. This means that that WMQ takes full responsibility for the programs as well as the Co-ordinator's wages. Dayboro Lions club is very involved by volunteering at the weekly sessions.
- Combined Churches. The Pantry Teams are providing hampers to eight families in need, as well as providing emergency food as required.
- Chaplaincy. Chappy B has settled in well at Dayboro State School. She is financially supported by Combined Churches.
- Card Sharps. This weekly group of four or five regularly donates to Mik Henzel's Casa Segura orphanage in Bolivia thanks to Norma Butler's supervision.

5. Managing Church Business. (Maria, Graeme and Jenny)

- Insurances. Presbytery/Synod keep a close eye on our activities in relation to Risk Assessment and Insurances.
- Rosters. New rosters have been established.
- Work Place Health and Safety. Council is very aware of the need for a Safe Working Environment. Graeme Coulson is our co-ordinator.
- Fire and Evacuation. Our annual drill will be held today.
- Facilities and Property Management. Mark Hansen has established a Programmed Maintenance Schedule.

Notes of Council Meeting of 20/02/2017

Annual Congregational Meeting.

This will be held on Sunday, 26th March, after morning Worship.

Reports will be presented on our four areas of mission – Pastoral Care, Caring for our Congregation, Caring for our Community, and Business Management.

Church Councillors will also be elected. Note that there is one position vacant as the Council currently stands.

Those renominating are: Jenny Brown, Don Gemmell, Maria Hansen, Carolyn Nugent, Fiona Patterson, Ann Turner and Bill Turner.

Nomination forms are available from Ann Turner or Don Gemmell. These are to be returned to Ann Turner, on or before 5th March, 2017.

Notes of Church Council Meeting held on Monday, 20th February, 2017.

During the previous week, all Councillors had received written reports on the four areas of Mission from their fellow Councillors. These were taken as read at the meeting, and the Reports adopted. Resolutions were passed regarding special items, such as:

- Recommending to the Congregation that Jan Page be appointed an ‘Elder in Association’.
- Commendation to Annalie for arranging the Jam Sessions.
- The appointment of a Church Development Committee under Paul Inglis.
- Adoption of Financial Reports for 2016, which will be presented to the Congregation Meeting.
- Adoption of ‘Safe Ministry with Children’ Policy.
- Approval for replacement of the hot water service as well as repair to storm water drainage at the rear of the building.
- Approval of Programmed Maintenance documentation.

News from Church Council - 17th October 2016

The Church Council has established the following Teams from among its members:

1. Pastoral Care Team, led by Pastor Danny Nugent, with Carolyn Nugent, Fiona Patterson and Jan Page.
2. Sunday Space Team, led by Fiona Patterson with the Sunday Space teachers.
3. Finance and Administration Team, led by Don Gemmell, with Jenny Brown, Maria Hansen and Ann Turner.
4. Music Team, led by Bill Turner, with the members of the Band.
5. Infrastructure Team, led by Mark Hansen.

Please contact the team leaders for help in these areas.

News from Church Council - 16th August 2016

We have a new Chair for the Church Council, Don Gemmell. Don has taken over from Carolyn Nugent. We would like to thank Carolyn for all her hard work with Church Council and wish Don well as we go forward in the Dayboro Uniting Church

News from Carolyn—Chair of Church Council - 24th April 2016

We are in the process of forming a committee to work together with Presbytery to find a replacement minister. There is a process we have to follow to achieve this. Firstly we need to form a committee and we will need 4/5 people from our congregation. Anyone interested please speak to a church council member.

Members: Jan Page, Fiona Patterson, Don Gemmell, Tim Keogh, Jenny Brown, Ann Turner and CHAIR—Carolyn Nugent

Notes from Church Council Meeting—29th February 2016

Due to considerable fall in offerings, the position of pastor in our church will now be .3 rather than .5 of a full time position. Richard will continue as pastor under these changed working conditions for the next three months until he takes up his new position with Wesley Mission.

He plans to be available at the DUC on Fridays each week.

Council members are meeting with Rev John Ruhle to begin the process of advertising and selecting a replacement for Richard. We will keep you informed of our progress.

The next Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday 20th March. It is important that as many people as possible attend this meeting. Please bring a plate to share for morning tea.

Child Safe training will be held in Dayboro on 2nd April. Members of the Church Council and all members of the Congregation involved with Children's activities i.e. Sunday Space and mainly music are required to complete this training. Please advise Carolyn if you intend to be part of the Dayboro training. If you are unable to join us on the 2nd April you may join a training session in another district.

First Aid training will be conducted in the Church hall on the 19th March. Lions are generously paying \$1500 towards the cost. DUCA is paying for our church members who are updating their CPR refresher course.

Fiona Patterson will be attending Synod Conference as our representative.

Lorraine Perry is the Sunday Space coordinator for 2016. She is organizing a BBQ to be held at the Church on Sunday 20th March at 4pm. Invitations will be extended to mainly music children and their families. DUCA has purchased a new program called "A Joyful Path" for the Sunday Space program.

Leisa has offered to be overall coordinator for our Dayboro Day Festival activities. Paul Edgington is running the kitchen on the day with the help of Conversation Club members. Lists of required food items will be placed on the fridge as per other years. There will be a meeting after Church today for convenors and other interested people to begin Dayboro Day Festival planning.