



NEWS AND NOTES

INCORPORATING **SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEE NEWS**

Tuesday 1 May, 2018

On the evening of Monday 23 April 2018, Synod Standing Committee (SSC) met and began with devotions.

Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse

Robert Watson, Royal Commission WA Synod Task Group Chairperson and Rev John Cox, Royal Commission National Engagement and Response Task Group Executive Officer attended the meeting to brief Synod Standing Committee on their work since the release of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse in December 2017. They outlined the Uniting Church's National Interim Redress Framework, proposed Commonwealth Government Redress Scheme, and proposed changes to Western Australia's Statute of Limitations Legislation.

The Uniting Church in Australia is committed to provide, or participate in, nationally consistent and equitable redress schemes as a national church.

42nd Annual Meeting of the Synod of Western Australia Membership

The 42nd Annual Meeting of the Synod of Western Australia will be held from Friday 7 to Sunday 9 September 2018.

Synod Standing Committee (SSC) determined that according to Assembly Regulation 3.3.7 (a) (iii), the Presbytery of Western Australia may appoint 100% members defined in Assembly Regulation 3.3.4 (a) – (c) as members of the 42nd Annual Meeting of the Synod of Western Australia.

SSC agreed by consensus that two confirmed lay members appointed by the Board/Council of Good Samaritan Industries (GSI); UnitingCare West; Juniper; Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (Congress); Beanang Kwuurt Institute; Methodist Ladies' College (MLC); Penrhos College; Presbyterian Ladies' College (PLC); Scotch College; St Stephen's School; Tranby College; Wesley College; and Trinity Residential College and Conference Centre shall be recognised as members of the 42nd Annual Meeting of the Synod of Western Australia. SSC acknowledged that it set aside Synod By-law S2.1.1 accordingly which only specifies one confirmed lay member and excludes Congress and Beanang Kwuurt Institute.

SSC noted that Perth Theological Hall (PTH) supervises the election of up to two candidates within the bounds of the Synod as members of the 42nd Annual Meeting of the Synod of Western Australia.

Joint Meeting of the Synod and Presbytery of Western Australia Standing Committees

The Standing Committee of the Synod of Western Australia and the Standing Committee of the Presbytery of Western Australia will meet together at 5.00pm on Tuesday 29 May. Discussion at the joint meeting will include the Secretary of the Presbytery of Western Australia position, staffing of the Presbytery of Western Australia, location of staff and 2019 funding of the Presbytery of Western Australia. These issues have arisen in the separation of the Synod and Presbytery of Western Australia.

Nominating Committee

SSC resolved by consensus to appoint Rev John McKane as a co-opted member of the Nominating Committee. SSC resolved by consensus to appoint Rev Ken Devereux as Chair, Rev Ruth Vertigan as Convenor and Rev Alan Thompson as a member of the Committee for Discipline. SSC resolved by consensus to appoint Rev Ann Drummond as Chair, Sue Thomas, Cindy Gorton, Ann-Britt Wasley, Dr Bob French, Graham Wasley, Rev Dr Keith Truscott, Rev Claire Pickering, Rev Kim Francis, Rev Marion Millen, Marilyn Price and Rev Mervyn Anderson as members, and Rev Marie Wilson and Rev John Marshall as advisors to the Synod Sexual Misconduct and Complaints Committee (SSMCC). SSC noted Rev Harry Lucas as Chair, Rev Dr Dianne Bertolino, Lynette Clayton, Ted Johnston, Rev David Robinson, Rev Gary van Heerden and Rev Michael Hertz as members of the Committee for Counselling.

SSC resolved by consensus to approve the nominations of Steve Higgins by the Synod Standing Committee (SSC); Chris Walker by the Resources Commission; Rev Hannes Halgryn by the Placements Commission and Dr Elaine Ledgerwood by the Presbytery Standing Committee (PSC) to the Council for Mission. At its

meeting on Monday 12 February, SSC approved the nominations of Rev Narelle Collas by the Strategy and Mission Planning Committee (SMPC); Rev Stephen Larkin by the Presbytery Property Committee and Richard Patterson, Senior Property Manager. The Council for Mission is a project focused sub-committee of SSC and will consider applications arising from the Strategic Plan proposal for the establishment of collaborating communities under the Strategic Plan 2018 – 2021 which could be funded from the Uniting Church WA Foundation.

SSC approved by consensus the appointment of Nick Henry as chair and Professor Jonathan Carapetis as a member of the Methodist Ladies' College (MLC) Council; Riaan Piek as a member of the St Stephen's School Council; and Rev David de Kock as a member of the Juniper Board.

SSC noted with gratitude the retirement of Dr Penny Flett AO as chair and Craig Colvin as a member of the MLC Council; and Jeremy Hudson as a member of the Juniper Board. SSC noted with thanks the resignation of Jason Ricketts as a member of the St Stephen's School Council.

SSC noted with thanks the resignations of Rev Francis Hadfield as the Deacon representative to the Pastoral Relations Committee (PRC); and Michael Hodgkins and Jean McKenzie as members of the Committee for Discipline.

SSC resolved by consensus to withdraw the transfer of powers and responsibilities of the Synod of Western Australia, pursuant to Clause 70(d) of the Constitution, to the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania to enable complaints of sexual misconduct to be dealt with by the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania with effect from Tuesday 1 May 2018.

SSC resolved by consensus to seek the written agreement of the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania, pursuant to Regulation 5.6.4(b) for Rev Ann Drummond to be appointed chairperson of the Western Australian Synod Sexual Misconduct and Complaints Committee with effect from Tuesday 1 May 2018 until 1 September 2020.

Green Church Policies

SSC resolved by consensus to instruct the General Secretary, Rev David de Kock, to review the Green Church Policies: Sustainability and Motor Vehicle Fleet Management; Air Travel; Congregational Sustainable Practice; Sustainable Buildings Policy and Landscaping; with a view to developing a simple implementation and monitoring plan. David will report back to the SSC at its meeting on Monday, 13 August.

General Secretary Oversight Group

SSC resolved by consensus to appoint Shawn Whelan as Convenor, Rev David Kriel, Alison Xamon and Julie Ridden as members of the General Secretary Oversight Group.

Deputy General Secretary Position

Effective Tuesday 1 May, SSC resolved by consensus to appoint Rev Mark Illingworth as Deputy General Secretary of the Synod of Western Australia. This full-time, five-year term will provide pastoral and missional leadership to the whole church by actively engaging in theological reflection and strategic thinking about the life, direction, vision and mission of every part of the Uniting Church WA; ensure the implementation of agreed key directional, strategic and missional imperatives; as well as have direct responsibility for oversight of the implementation of the Synod Strategic Plan and resourcing of the Placements Commission.

Presbytery of Western Australia Secretary and Pastoral Care Worker

SSC resolved by consensus to the appointment of a Presbytery of Western Australia Secretary, in terms of Assembly Regulation 3.6.2, on a full or part-time stipendiary basis from 1 July 2018. SSC commended to the Presbytery that the position description includes resourcing of the Pastoral Relations Committee in fulfilling the responsibilities of Assembly Regulation 3.7.3(b).

Given the appointment of a Presbytery of Western Australia Secretary is unlikely to take place this year, SSC approved the appointment of a 0.5FTE Pastoral Care Worker from Tuesday 1 May to Monday 31 December 2018. The appointment of Rev Mark Illingworth as Deputy General Secretary allows the funding of his previous position of 1FTE Pastoral Relations and Placements Co-ordinator to be reallocated to these positions.

Synod of Western Australia Moderator

Following heart surgery, the Moderator Rev Steve Francis, returned to his role on Monday 16 April. Steve informed SSC that he will be on annual leave for two weeks, from Monday 7 to Wednesday 23 May inclusive. During this time, Rev Ken Williams will again act as Moderator.

Reports Received

In line with its regular reporting arrangements, Synod Standing Committee also received reports from: Acting Moderator, Rev Ken Williams; General Manager Resources, Robert Locke; Placements Commission; Social Justice Commission and the Ministerial Benefits Committee.

Congregations

Did you visit the Stations of the Cross Art Exhibition at Uniting Church in the City (UCIC)? Organisers would love to hear your feedback. To fill in a short online survey on the exhibition, visit surveymonkey.com/r/HSVZ2Y3.

A music recital will be held on Thursday 10 May, 12.30pm, at UCIC Ross Memorial, corner of Hay and Colin Streets, West Perth. Featuring beautiful music from Megan Barbetti (flute) and Caroline Badnall (piano).

UCIC's special signature worship event *Ode to St Cecilia* will be on Sunday 13 May, 12noon, at UCIC Trinity Perth, 72 St Georges Terrace, Perth. A remarkable miscellany of instruments and voices join together to bring Handel's extraordinary ode to life. Soloists Naomi Johns (soprano) and Nathan Stark (tenor) combine with Lux et Veritas and Camerata 1685 conducted by Jangoo Chapkhana. Please note there will be no 10.00am worship at Trinity on this day.

For more info contact the UCIC office on 6103 4222.

Lighthouse Church is conducting an Alpha Course starting Thursday 3 May at 6.30pm for eight weeks. Contact Lighthouse Church for further details at office@lighthousegeraldton.com or (08) 9964 4169.

There are still places available for the 2018 Women's Weekend Away from Friday 25 to Sunday 27 May at the Swan Valley Adventure Centre (previously known as Swanleigh Conference Centre), Middle Swan. With the theme 'Meeting the Mystics: Meeting me', Rev Cathie Lambert will introduce and explore mysticism and ordinary people who had extraordinary experiences of God. For more info, contact Fiona on 0407 771 416 or southperthwwa@gmail.com.

Lighthouse Church is conducting a Street Chaplaincy Information Night on Monday 11 June at 7.00pm. Contact Lighthouse Church for further details at office@lighthousegeraldton.com or (08) 9964 4169.

Presbytery of Western Australia

Over 50 people across cultures and generations came together for the Intercultural Next Generation Conference at Cannington Uniting Church in Perth's southern suburbs from Friday 23 to Monday 26 March. Uniting Church members from Tongan, Indonesian, Samoan, Chinese, Arabic, Burmese, African and Anglo-Celtic communities came to share their stories and learn from one another. Visit assembly.uca.org.au/news/item/2813-guiding-the-next-generation to read more.

State Youth Games (SYG) is a weekend of sport and fellowship for those aged 16 to 28, with other churches around WA. It runs on the Foundation Day long weekend, 1 to 4 June, in Bunbury. Registrations for participants is open and adult volunteers are also needed to help with running the weekend.

Register with the Uniting Church WA team (U-Team) at <https://central.sygwa.com.au/team/K2K01>. For more information contact Erin Lloyd on 0459 499 518 or Adele Williams on 0459 485 549.

Rev Dr John Squires and Rev Elizabeth Raine will lead a day of training for lay people seeking to understand the sacraments (Baptism and Holy Communion) on Friday 18 May from 9.30pm to 4.00pm at Maylands-Mt Lawley Uniting Church. Rev Dr Anne Wright and Rev Emma Matthews will also conduct this training on Friday 25 May from 9.30am to 4.00pm at Busselton Uniting Church. This training is required of those who seek to be accredited to preside at the sacraments in their local congregation or faith community. For those seeking accreditation, there is an assessment task to undertake following the day. Some resources are provided for all participants and are included in the cost of \$30 for the day. Morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea are provided. Register with Dr Kerry George at cedal@wa.uca.org.au or 08 9260 9800, noting any special dietary requirements

A three-hour seminar, designed for Church Council members and other Lay Leaders, on the Code of Conduct for Lay Leaders will take place on Saturday 26 May, from 1.30pm to 4.30pm at St Augustine Uniting Church in Bunbury. The Uniting Church has adopted a national code for lay leaders. This session helps lay people in positions of leadership in their local congregation to explore the expectations that the church has regarding appropriate and ethical behaviour. The seminar follows on from a Safe Church Refresher at Bunbury during the morning. Attendance for the whole day is \$40, payable on the day. Register for Safe Church separately with Cindy Gorton at cindy.gorton@wa.uca.org.au or 08 9260 9846 and indicate you are attending in the afternoon as well, noting any special dietary requirements. Attendance for the afternoon seminar only will cost \$15 (not including lunch), payable on the day. Register with Dr Kerry George at cedal@wa.uca.org.au or 08 9260 9800, noting any special dietary requirements for afternoon tea.

The Committee for Education for Discipleship and Leadership (CEDAL) and Strategic and Mission Planning Committee (SMPC) have released two opportunities for those wanting to attend Mission Shaped Ministry Courses in 2019. Semester 1 dates are: Friday 22 to Sunday 24 February 2019, Saturday 23 March, Saturday 27 April and Friday 24 May to Sunday 26 May. Semester 2 dates are: Friday 26 to Sunday 28 July, Saturday 24 August, Saturday 28 September and Friday 25 to Sunday 27 October. All welcome. Ministers and pastors in placement, as well as church councillors, elders and leaders are strongly encouraged to attend. People can choose to complete the course in either semester. To register or find out more, contact Dr Kerry George at PA.Education@wa.uca.org.au.

Synod of Western Australia

The church grows not from upbeat programs, but from people connecting with people who share the good news about Jesus," writes Rev David de Kock, General Secretary of the Uniting Church WA, in his latest blog post titled 'Growing our church and connecting our communities'. To read the full post, visit unitingchurchwa.org.au/blog/connecting-communities/.

The Uniting Church Adult Fellowship (UCAF) wishes to thank all those who have responded to their Synod UCAF Survey. UCAF are looking forward to receiving those who have yet to respond, and are gathering information to help draw a picture of individual congregations. If you have mislaid your survey form, email Aladina Foster at rayaladina@dodo.com.au and a form will be forwarded to you.

The Moderator and members of the Uniting Church WA are saddened to hear of the death of Naomi Jenkins, loved daughter of John Phillipson and Errol (deceased) and loved sister of Moira, Erica and Megan. Loving mother of Samuel, Oliver and Jeremy. A celebration of Naomi's life was held on Friday 20 April.

The Uniting Church Adult Fellowship (UCAF) has rescheduled its next meeting to Friday 11 May at the Uniting Church Centre. The reschedule was required as some committee members will be attending the Triennial Fellowship Consultation of all Synod committees in Hobart. The next meeting will return to its usual time of the first Friday of the month, i.e. Friday 1 June at 9.30am. For further information, contact Aladina Foster at 0428 821 657 or Rayaladina@dodo.com.au.

The Media and Communications Team are inviting congregations to share their best high-quality photos to promote the Uniting Church Western Australia (UCWA). The photos will be used on UCWA's social media posts, blog posts and the website. Photo credit will be given to the photographer and/or congregation they are from. This is a great opportunity to showcase the people of the UCWA. Smart phone photos are welcome, provided they are high-resolution photos that are clear and good quality. Photos can range from people, church activities to church grounds and community events. For further information or to email photos, contact Elsa Samuel, Digital Communications Officer, at digital.communications@wa.uca.org.au.

Read Uniting Church WA Social Justice Unit's latest newsletter or subscribe now to get the Justice and Mission update straight to your email inbox. Visit bit.ly/2Jr6cNz to subscribe.

From the National Church

Stuart McMillan, President of the Uniting Church in Australia has paid tribute to Jill Ruzbacky, who passed away recently. Jill worked in the areas of social justice and covenanting with the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania for many years. She inspired, encouraged and equipped many members of the Uniting Church to pursue social justice. Visit assembly.uca.org.au/news/item/2814-vale-jill-ruzbacky to read more.

Thousands of people who have come to Australia seeking asylum are now at risk of losing access to critical services and basic financial support under new Government changes. It is feared that drastic reductions to the number of people eligible for support under the Status Resolution Support Services Program (SRSS) could create enormous hardship for already vulnerable people. The Uniting Church in Australia joins other refugee advocates in calling for the harsh changes to be reversed. Visit bit.ly/2JINNLd to read more.

UnitingWorld's partner church the Presbyterian Church of South Sudan has ordained six ministers and four deacons in Khartoum, Sudan. Visit bit.ly/2Fvnq9d to read more.

Registrations for the UnitingWomen 2018 conference, to be held in Brisbane from 27 to 30 September, are now open. Alongside the wise and wonderful women in leadership within the Uniting Church, guest speakers include Eloise Wellings, two-time Olympian and founder of Love Mercy, and Lyn Diefenbach, professional artist and teacher. Early bird registrations close on 31 May. Visit unitingwomen.org.au/ for more info.

A unique festival around justice, climate change, spirituality, music and art will be held from Thursday 17 to Sunday 20 May at Adamstown Uniting Church, Newcastle, NSW. Special guests include artist and peace activist George Gittoes AM, exploring creative responses to war, and Phil Glendenning, President Australian Refugee Council on creative citizenship as well as many more of Australia's best eco-theologians. Visit inspiracy.org.au/ for more info and to book.

UnitingCare Australia congratulates the Turnbull Government and Aged Care Minister Ken Wyatt for creating the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission. UnitingCare Australia say this is a step in the right direction for a country that needs to strengthen the provisions around caring for all of us as we age. Visit <https://bit.ly/2jlCA8z> to read more.

The Uniting Church in Australia hosted an ecumenical Service of Lament to mourn Pacific guest workers who've died or been injured in the Australian horticultural sector.

President Stuart McMillan joined members of the Australian Pacific community and representatives of the Salvation Army, Catholic, Baptist, Hillsong, Mormon and other churches at the Service of Lament at Strathfield Uniting Church in Sydney. Visit bit.ly/2w2PFX2 to read more.

UnitingCare and Congregational Community Services

UnitingCare West is hosting a Community Connections Forum with guest speaker Peter Kenyon on Friday 25 May from 8.30am to 3.30pm at The Platform. RSVP by Thursday 10 May. For full information of the program, contact events@unitingcarewest.org.au.

Ecumenical and International

Dutch musician Arjan Breukhoven will visit Australia for the sixth time for a series of ten organ concerts in the Perth and Albany regions of WA. He is musical director of three large Christian male choirs in the western part of Holland and is starting a new choir project in Western Australia. You are invited to join this project by singing in the Australian Christian Men's Choir with Arjan as conductor. The choir are searching for male singers with and without singing experience. For more info visit bit.ly/2HFDoPY or email australianchristianmenschoir@gmail.com

AMUC's Among the Urban Community is an inner city mission exposure program for young adults that will challenge your faith, lifestyle, priorities and understanding of the Gospel. AMUC is a joint initiative of Scripture Union WA and Tear Australia. The program will take place from 2 to 6 July. Visit suwa.org.au/mission/local-community/ for more info.

The World Council of Churches (WCC) has urged the international community to find a way to break the cycle of violence in Syria. The statement comes two days after the USA, France and the UK carried out missile strikes following a suspected Syrian government chemical weapons attack. Visit bit.ly/2raYu1H to read more

Over fifty Christian Ministers, Rabbis, Religious Sisters, ordained Buddhists and Imams from across Australia have signed a joint letter asking Mr Gautam Adani to abandon his proposed new coal mine in North Queensland and invest in renewable energy in the region instead. Visit bit.ly/2HGfIM4 to read the letter

Community

In 2018, Amnesty will be asking communities around Australia to support community-led sponsorship to strengthen the power of your community and use it to create new pathways for refugees to safely settle in Australia. Visit bit.ly/2JFME7b for more info.

The Microplastics Toolbox is an informative and useful reflection on how plastics are destroying our oceans and what we as Church communities or individuals can do about it. Bigger pieces of plastic break down into smaller pieces called microplastics, where sea creatures like krill and whales ingest. These small pieces of plastics act like sponges for toxins, which may accumulate in our food chain. Though scientists are working on this, we can do our part too. Check out the comprehensive Microplastics Toolbox by visiting bit.ly/2Gm7g3W and the top ten marine conservation activities for churches by visiting bit.ly/2rb9HA4.

Foodbank has released its new report 'Rumbling Tummies' on facts about child poverty and hunger in Australia. The report disclosed facts such as one in three parents living in food insecure households state their children go hungry at least once a month and 18% of children from food insecure households go to school without eating breakfast, 15% go to school without a packed lunch or lunch money and 11% go to bed without eating any dinner. To find out more or how you can help, visit Foodbank's website at foodbank.org.au/home/.

Prayer Calendar

For the week commencing Sunday 6 May: Presbytery of Western Australia Chairperson, Rev Lorraine Stokes; Acting Secretary, Rev John McKane and the Presbytery Standing Committee.

Jobs: Paid and Volunteer

The Placements Commission and Pastoral Relations Committee webpage is available to view all vacant placements, by-laws, ministry changes and pastoral and placement updates. <https://unitingchurchwa.org.au/careers/ministry-vacancies/>

Presbytery Meeting Volunteers

Presbytery Standing Committee has agreed that there was a need for more volunteers to be involved on the day of Presbytery of WA Meetings. There is a particular need for a volunteer Event Manager to oversee the logistics of the day. The next Meeting of the Presbytery of WA, which is also the Annual Meeting, will take place on Saturday 16 June at a venue that is still to be determined. Please encourage volunteers to become involved in the running of Presbytery Meetings. For more information or to volunteer contact Rev John McKane at john.mckane@wa.uca.org.au.



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Ministry Resourcing Centre



The Ministry Resourcing Centre is located in the Uniting Church Centre, 85-89 Edward Street, Perth and is open Monday to Friday 8.30am–5.00pm.

Contact Margaret Johnston on 9260 9800 or email resource@wa.uca.org.au.

Deep Work: Spiritual practice in our workday world, by Jenny Tymms. A book intended to help us make sense of our working lives, whether we seek depth of aliveness during our workday, connection between our work and faith, to grow more Christ-like in our working hours, find greater depth in our spiritual journey, or to help others who long to make meaningful connections between Sunday mornings at church and the working week. **\$24.95**

Why on Earth do you Still Wonder about God? Dancing with doubt, by Norm Habel. In the preface Norm Habel writes "During the course of my life I have wondered about the many portrayals of God I have encountered – everything from my childhood memories to my experiences with nature, from a doctrinal deity to an ecological spider. As I reflect on my experiences of this elusive reality, I wonder and wonder again. And I am still dancing with my doubts." Readers are invited to engage in a challenging and amazing exploration of the vital reality of 'God'. **\$19.95**

Dirt, Mess and Danger: Liturgies and worship resources, by Glendon Macaulay. In 2011 when this book was published, Glendon was "a parish minister who, throughout the past decade, has been working in an original, grassroots way with congregations, developing and encouraging creative worship styles which are participatory and relevant to the often messy world we live in." A resource for liturgies, meditations, reflections, prayers, and poems from Wild Goose Publications. **\$32.00**

Be Still Awhile Along The Track, by Jim Quillinan. A book of reflections, readings and prayers to begin and end our busy days. "A resource to help us touch the sacred in our lives, the sacred around us in Australia. It is a resource to help us to reflect on our lives and review how we are responding to God's invitation to live life to the full." **\$19.95**

The Image of God, by Andrew McDonough. One of the latest publications in the Lost Sheep series based on Genesis 1:27. According to page 1 of the Bible, the foundational identity of a child is that they are made in the image of God. By sharing this story with children we can help them grow up believing and living out their core identity. **\$6.99**

All plus postage and packing if not picked up in person.



Uniting Church in Australia
Western Australia

Strategic Plan 2018-2021

Our Vision

A Christian Community for Everyone

Our Purpose

- Uniting in God's Mission to the World
- Growing Communities of Christ-Followers
- Grounded in Worship, Witness and Service

Our Values

- To preach Christ the risen crucified one and confess him as Lord;
 - To bear witness to the unity of faith and life in Christ, rising above cultural, economic, national and racial boundaries;
 - To engage in fearless prophetic ministry in relation to matters which deny God's active will for justice and peace;
 - To act with God alongside the oppressed, the hurt and the poor;
 - To accept responsibility for the wise use and conservation of the finite resources of this earth for the benefit of all;
 - To recognise, treasure and use the gifts of the Spirit given to all God's people for ministering; and
 - To live a creative, adventurous life of faith, characterised by openness, flexibility, hope and joy
- The Inaugural Statement to the Nation – June 22, 1977



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Calendar of Events

For more information on these events visit

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Day/Date	Time	Details
Saturday 5 May	6.00–9.00pm	Bollywood Dinner at Mt Pleasant Uniting Church.
Sunday 6 May		Childrens Day Celebration at Beth Shalom Tongan Uniting Church.
Thursday 10 May	12.30pm	Music Recital at Uniting Church in the City, Ross Memorial West Perth.
Thursday 10 and 17 May	6.30–8.00pm	Alpha Course at Beldon-Iluka Uniting Church.
Thursday 10 May	6.30–8.00pm	'We are a Christian Nation' public lecture with Prof Marion Maddox at Murdoch University.
Sunday 13–Sunday 20 May		Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
Sunday 13 May	12noon	Handel's Ode to St Cecilia at Uniting Church in the City, Trinity Perth.
Tuesday 15 May		Presbytery Standing Committee.
Thursday 17–Sunday 20 May		Men's Walk to Emmaus in Perth.
Thursday 17 May	6.30–8.00pm	'Free, compulsory and secular' public lecture with Prof Marion Maddox at Murdoch University.
Friday 18 May	9.30am–4.00pm	Understanding the Sacraments at Maylands-Mt Lawley Uniting Church.
Saturday 19 May		Mission Shaped Ministry course (continues) at Trinity North Uniting Church, 29 Wandoo Road, Duncraig.
Sunday 20 May	10.00am	Centenary Celebrations at Kalamunda Uniting Church.
Thursday 24–Sunday 27 May		Women's Walk to Emmaus in Perth.
Thursday 24 May	6.30pm–8.00pm	'What do we want? Religious Freedom! When do we want it? Sometimes' public lecture with Prof Marion Maddox at Murdoch University.
Friday 25 May		UnitingCare West Volunteer Conference.

If you are planning an event that you think would be of interest to other people in the Uniting Church community, let us know so we can put it in our calendar. We would also encourage you to contact us during your planning so you can check what other people are doing to avoid diary conflicts.