



17 June 2019

To: Members of Synod
Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress
WA Regional Committee
Synod Commissions and Joint Bodies
Schools and Colleges
Caring Agencies
Presbytery of WA

Deep and Wide'

Ephesians 3: 17, 18

Dear Colleagues

43rd ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SYNOD OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

We are preparing for our Annual Synod Meeting where members of the Uniting Church in Australia, WA will come together to discuss issues of importance in the life of the church and the wider community. The Moderator's theme for this Triennium continues to take us into a space where we can be strengthened, rooted, grounded and empowered by the love of God revealed in Christ. Let it be so!

OPENING WORSHIP

Mount Pleasant Uniting Church, 1 Coomoora Road, Applecross WA 6153
7.00pm, Friday 13 September 2019

Address by — Rev Andrew Broadbent, Minister Busselton Uniting Church

ANNUAL MEETING

Scotch College Dickinson Centre 76 Shenton Road Swanbourne
9.00am — 9.00pm, Saturday 14 September 2019 and
9.00am — 4.00pm, Sunday 15 September 2019

Membership

Membership of Synod is noted on the **Membership of Synod Bylaw 52.1** (attached). Agencies, schools and colleges established by the Synod should appoint and advise names of their nominated Synod representatives to Maree Kemp (maree.kemp@wa.uca.org.au) by **5 August 2019**.

Registrations

- The cost to attend the Annual Meeting is \$100 per person. Please confirm attendance for catering purposes.
- Please register **Friday, 30 August 2019** by completing and submitting the registration forms through **Wild Apricot Events - 2019 Annual Synod Meeting**.

Please contact Maree Kemp on (08) 9260 9800, or email maree.kemp@wa.uca.org.au for assistance with the registration process if required.

Synod Reports & Proposals

All reports, proposals and other information will be available on the website and App on **23 August 2019** (App details to follow). In light of the Synod's Green Church Policy, this will be a paperless Synod.



Reports and proposals are due no later than Monday **22 July 2019**. Please note that any Synod member may submit proposals. Late proposals may be submitted by **3pm Saturday 14 September 2019**.

It is recommended that any question related to the reports should be addressed to the report writer in the first instance. Contact details are provided at the end of each report.

Computers

We will have a strong **WIFI** signal and encourage the use of laptops, iPads and tablets at the meeting

Transport Options

We encourage you to car pool with other members from your region. Members are expected to meet their travel costs for the first 100 kilometers of travel each way. For those travelling in excess of 100 kilometers, a travel subsidy of 70c/km is available and an accommodation allowance of \$100 per night is available for rural members. Please contact Maree Kemp by phone on 9260 9800, or maree.kemp@wa.uca.org.au for a claim form or download the form from the Synod webpage [here](#).

Visitors

Visitors are welcome and seating will be provided at the back of the meeting space. Costs for visitors is set at \$50.00 per person per day. Please confirm arrangements with Maree Kemp.

Catering

Catering for the Synod meeting will be will provided as follows:

- Saturday - morning and afternoon tea, lunch and dinner;
- Sunday — morning tea and lunch;
- Tea, coffee and water will be available throughout the weekend.

Ministry Resourcing Centre

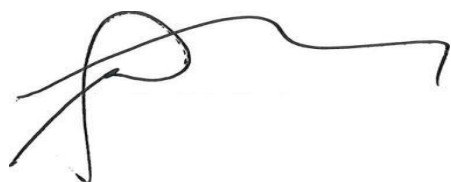
Resources will be available for purchase during Synod.

Synod Timeline

30 August 2019	Close of Registrations — maree.kemp@wa.uca.org.au
22 July 2019	Closing date for Reports and Proposals — maree.kemp@wa.uca.org.au
13 September 2019	Opening Worship 7pm — Mount Pleasant Uniting Church Coomoora Road Applecross
14 September 2019	Late Proposals must be submitted by 3pm 14 September 2019
14 September 2019	Annual Synod Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registrations 8.00am to 9.00am• Order of Business 9.00am to 9.00pm• Late Proposals 3.00pm
15 September 2019	Annual Synod Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Holy Communion 9.00am• Order of Business 11am — 4pm

I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting as we gather together to discuss and consider the work of the Synod of Western Australia.

Yours sincerely,



Rev David de Kock
General Secretary

S2.1 MEMBERSHIP OF THE SYNOD

SYNOD MEMBERS

S2.1.1 The membership of the Synod shall be in accordance with Regulation 3.3.7 including:

- A. Two confirmed members appointed by each of the agencies and colleges established by the Synod, in accordance with Regulation 3.3.7 (v):
 - i. Good Samaritan Industries
 - ii. UnitingCare West
 - iii. Uniting Church Homes (ta Juniper)
 - iv. Beananging Kwuurt Institute
 - v. Methodist Ladies College
 - vi. Penrhos College
 - vii. Presbyterian Ladies College
 - viii. Scotch College
 - ix. St Stephen's School
 - x. Tranby College
 - xi. Wesley College, and
 - xii. Trinity Residential College

- B. Two members of the Regional Committee of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress

REPRESENTATION

S2.1.2 To the extent that the Synod has discretion:

- (a) the Synod membership should include at least one-third women and one-third men.
- (b) one tenth of the lay members should be under the age of 30 years.