



Newsabout

Epping Church of Christ

29 May 2026

Growing in Christ † Gathering in Love † Going in Grace



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Sunday 31 May 2026

**Join us for morning worship at
9:30am on Sunday**

*If you can't make it, click the link
or scan the QR code below to join us online*

LIVE STREAMING



Our Values Statement

*Epping Church of Christ –
Disciples from all generations
and nations, Growing in Christ,
Gathering in Love, Going in
Grace.*



Jonathan Richardson will be
bringing the message this Sunday.

⁸Then the word of the Lord came to him: ⁹“Go at once to Zarephath in the region of Sidon and stay there. I have directed a widow there to supply you with food.” ¹⁰So he went to Zarephath. When he came to the town gate, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her and asked, “Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a drink?” ¹¹As she was going to get it, he called, “And bring me, please, a piece of bread.”

¹²“As surely as the Lord your God lives,” she replied, “I don’t have any bread—only a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it—and die.”

¹³Elijah said to her, “Don’t be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son.”

¹⁴For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: ‘The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the Lord sends rain on the land.’”

¹⁵She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. ¹⁶For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah.

1 Kings 17:8-16 NIV

UNSUNG HEROES
FAITH IN THE MARGINS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

KIDS SPOT



Friday
7:00–9:00pm at Epping
Church of Christ.

Come along for a fun night
of hanging out, games, and
good vibes — and don't
forget to bring \$5 for
dinner.

See you there!



We'll start with worship in
the chapel, then head into
a great group discussion
before rejoining the main
service during communion.

Bring your Bible, bring a
friend, and come ready for
a fun and faith-filled
morning!

Word of Wonder

POWER-OF-THE-SPIRIT

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you. Then you will tell people about me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria. And you will even tell other people about me from one end of the earth to the other.

Acts 1:8



Wonder Truth

The Holy Spirit Gives Us Strength

Scriptures

Ephesians 6

God's Big Story

Paul encourages Jesus-followers to stand firm against the devil's evil plans by putting on spiritual armor and relying on the Holy Spirit for strength.

We're excited to be hosting another International Morning Tea on **21 June!**



We would love for you to share a little taste of home by bringing along some of your favourite hometown snacks or treats to enjoy together as a church family.

If you're planning to bring something, please let the church office know what you'll be bringing so we can stay organised.

Thank you so much for your generosity and for helping make this such a special and welcoming time together.



Turns 13 this week!



June Update



All Australian donations can be sent through PIHEL for tax deductibility.

horizons Family Law Centre

We're pleased to share that **Steve Frost**, founding director of Horizon Family Law Centre, will be speaking at Epping Church of Christ on **28 June** and **5 July**.

We look forward to hearing from Steve.



DONATE

Tax Appeal 2026



Hope Connect is currently seeking a few specific donation items to support someone in need:

- Women's clothing/nightwear (Size 6)
- Women's underwear (new only please)
- Small skincare pack
- Face washer
- Shampoo & conditioner

As storage space is limited, please contact Wendy at wendy.collishaw@hopeconnect.org.au before donating so quantities can be coordinated.

Thank you again for your kindness and generosity.

I would like to thank volunteers Rick Lewis, Kathy Sloss, her granddaughter Olivia and Sue Blake for their time, efforts and support during our April school holiday event.

I would appreciate prayers for the following:

- that we will recruit the right person to fill the playgroup assistants' position.
- that the transition to the Families Together program will be smooth and steadfast.

Jo Korman

Director of Community Initiatives



Thank you to all of you who prayed for our Kairos Outside Weekend #52. It was a safe place for the 11 guests to feel accepted and loved and able to express themselves without judgement, and they all left feeling blessed. God's presence was certainly evident.

Catherine Newman



For more information about Kairos, visit: <https://kairos.org.au/kairos-outside/> or have a chat with Catherine if you're interested in being involved.



As announced at church last Sunday and in the follow-up email sent on Monday, we'd love to encourage our church family to make use of our new online Suggestions & Feedback Form.



Your voices, ideas, encouragement, concerns, and feedback genuinely matter to us as we continue growing together as a church community.

The form can be found via the link provided, or on our website under: Church Attendee Hub > Suggestions & Feedback.

QR codes are also available near the chapel entrance and by the kitchen hallway for easy access. Paper forms are available as well and can be placed in the Prayer & Praise Box by the chapel entrance.

While anonymous submissions are welcome, we warmly encourage you to include your name and contact details where possible, as this allows us to follow up appropriately, better understand your thoughts, and continue meaningful conversations together.

**LET'S
TALK IT
OUT**



DID YOU KNOW?



Did you know that the Epping Civic Trust holds its quarterly public meetings in our church hall at 7:30pm on the third Tuesday of February, May, August, and November?

The Trust is a long-standing volunteer organisation that has represented local residents for more than 50 years. As an incorporated not-for-profit association, it works to improve life in Epping with a strong focus on development, infrastructure, and the local environment.

Their work includes liaising with Council on local services and facilities, monitoring development applications, making submissions on behalf of the community, meeting with local representatives, and hosting public meetings where residents can hear updates and connect with community leaders. Each quarterly meeting also features guest speakers on topics relevant to the local area.

[> LEARN MORE](#)



Alzor Fox, Frank Elsmore
& Ira Torode
installing new windows.



These windows were donated by the Christian Women's Fellowship to coincide with the church extensions in 1991.

When they were designed it was decided to blend a modern style with an older look so as not to clash with the existing building.

Each window tells its own story:

1. The flood
2. The crucifixion
3. The temptation of Christ

Each window also signifies:

1. The Father
2. The Son
3. The Holy Spirit

As well as:

1. The Old Testament
2. The New Testament
3. The Days of Grace

The windows consist of approximately 400 pieces of glass & 50 metres of lead.

FIRST WINDOW

Dove with olive leaf - Genesis 8:11
 God's promise to Noah, a rainbow in the clouds - Genesis 9:13-16

SECOND WINDOW

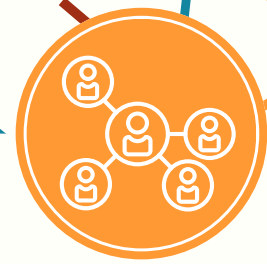
The cross
 Waratah represents God's church in Australia and the red of the flower, the blood of Christ shed on the cross.
 Open tomb - John 20:1

THIRD WINDOW

Praying hands
 The temptation of Christ on the mountain - Matthew 4:8-10
 Blue veil - when Christ was crucified the veil in the temple was torn in two - Matthew 27:51.

Hooray for You!

June



Connect Groups

Beta Connections

Weekly: Tuesday 7:30 pm
Jonathan Richardson
@ West Pennant Hills

Harris Connect Group

Fortnightly: Tuesday 7:30 pm
Bill & Anne Harris
@ Epping

Know Your Bible (KYB)

Weekly (in school term): Friday 10:30 am
Maisie Kew
@ Telopea

Lavender Ladies

Weekly: Thursday 10:00 am
Margie Kennard
@ West Pennant Hills

Prees Connect Group

Fortnightly: Tuesday 7:30 pm
Lyn & David Prees
Online

Sendama Connect Group

Fortnightly: Friday 8:00 pm
Robinson Sendama
Online

Telopea Connect Group

Fortnightly: Thursday 7:30 pm
Sue & Mike Fewchuk

Thursday Night Connections

Fortnightly: Thursday 7:30 pm
Heather & Rick Lewis
@ West Pennant Hills

Variety Hours (Young Adults)

Weekly: Tuesday 7:00 pm
Tom & Rees
@ Epping Church of Christ

Hearts & Homes (Families)

Monthly: 2nd & 4th Sundays, 11:30 am
Carol & Tim Yeo, Karen & Jonathan Cheung
@ Epping Church of Christ

2 Sungha

4 Cathy M.

9 Tiff

17 Phyllis

20 Charissa

21 Joyce

22 Brigitte

24 Lucas

26 Joy

30 Jacinda



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of Christ
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EARLY BIRD SPECIAL



Early bird Registration \$410.00pp (**until 30 June 2026**)

Standard Registration \$460.00pp (from 1 July 2026)

Payment plan available

Pay \$100 when you register and pay the rest in instalments (min \$25 per payment) up until 1 September.

MORE INFORMATION



Years 7-12. 5-9 Oct. The Tops

Early bird Registration (**Closing 30th June 2026**): \$425

Standard Registration (1st July onwards): \$470

MORE INFORMATION





CALL for VOLUNTEERS

Church is a family, and every person matters. Whether you're new or ready to re-engage, there are many simple and meaningful ways to serve. Take a step today – use your gifts, get involved, and serve at Epping Church of Christ.

Here are some positions you can consider:

- SMK leader
- Youth leader
- mainly music volunteer
- During the morning service
 - Announcements Leader
 - Bible Reader
 - Corporate Prayer Leader
 - Communion Server
 - Communion Talk
 - Worship Team
 - Sound Tech
 - Presenter
- Pre/Post Service
 - Door Hosts
 - Morning Tea Crew
 - Communion Prep
 - Communion Wash-up
 - Offering Count
- WAZZAS – dinner to serve the community in Telopea every Thursday during school term at 16 Shortland Street, Telopea



Want to serve at church? Fill in our volunteer interest form online ([link here](#) or scan the QR code) or sign up in person at the church office!



Want to volunteer at [WAZZAS](#)? Email **Gordon & Gwyn Bromhead** at wazzas@eppingchurchofchrist.org.au.

Together, let's build up God's church and bless our community!



Know Your Bible (KYB) continues each Friday at 10:30am at 16 Shortland St, Telopea. The group is currently journeying through Part 3 of the Gospel of Luke, and it has been a rich and encouraging in-depth study together. Maisie still has extra books available, and newcomers are very welcome to join at any time.



We finish the study around 12:30pm, followed by an optional BYO lunch for those who would like to stay and fellowship together until around 1:30pm.

For enquiries, please see or call Maisie (0412 535 553).



Sidewalk Social

Thank you so much to everyone who took the time to vote and support Sidewalk Social! We're excited to share that voting has now closed and Sidewalk Social has been selected as a finalist in the Community Services category for the Hornsby Business Awards

The awards presentation evening will be held on 13 July 2026 at Hornsby RSL Club. Thank you again for your encouragement, support, and prayers!

EPPING

COMMUNITY MORNING TEA

FEATURING GIDGET FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA

Are you a new mum? A mum of one, two, or five? Or someone who loves a mum?

You're invited to a community morning tea with special guest Arabella Gibson, CEO of the Gidget Foundation.

Come along and hear about the vital support Gidget Foundation provides to mums and families. Morning tea provided.

Date: Friday 29 May
Time: 10am-12pm
Location: Cheltenham Recreation Club

MONICA TUDEHOPE MP
 MEMBER FOR EPPING
 SHADOW MINISTER FOR FINANCE
 SHADOW MINISTER FOR WESTERN SYDNEY

Scan here to RSVP
 by Tuesday 26th of May

epping@parliament.nsw.gov.au (02) 9877 0266

Authorised by Monica Tudehope MP, funded using Parliamentary Entitlements, May 2025



Receptionist

Hope Connect is seeking a casual team member to provide reception desk cover during staff sick leave and annual leave.

Full training will be provided, making this a great opportunity to serve and support the community.

If you're interested, please contact Jo Korman at jo.korman@hopeconnect.org.au



Koorong

Koorong Books is currently recruiting for a Head of People and Culture to lead their HR team. They are seeking a Christian HR professional who may be well suited to this leadership role. If you or someone you know may be interested, please refer to [the job advertisement](#) or contact jobs@koorong.com.au for further information.



Sunday Morning Service

REAL TIME TRANSLATION



SCAN THE QR CODE TO ACCESS REAL-TIME TRANSLATION IN YOUR PHONE'S WEB BROWSER DURING THE SERVICE.

PLEASE USE THE SOUND OPTION ONLY IF YOUR PHONE IS CONNECTED TO HEADPHONES.



Pastor Justin is available each week for one-to-one appointments, and we encourage you to connect with him outside of Sunday services.

Need some guidance, support, prayer, or just a friendly chat?

Appointments are 30 minutes each. If you'd like a longer conversation, you're very welcome to book two (or more) sessions back-to-back.

Booking is easy — just click [[here](#)] or scan the QR code to choose a time that suits you.



Prayer & Praise

We've introduced a simple way for you to share prayer requests and praise reports — through our [online form](#) or the prayer box at the chapel entrance.

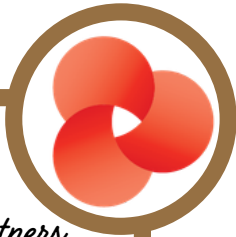
Submissions are collected weekly and prayed over in our services and by our prayer chain. We encourage you to share and let us stand with you in prayer.



Want to Pray for Others?

If your heart is moved to support others through prayer, we warmly invite you to join our prayer chain. Simply email the church office, and we'll gladly welcome you onto the team.

Together, we can carry each other's burdens, celebrate each other's joys, and surround our church family with the powerful gift of prayer. Your prayers make a real difference — let's stand together and lift one another up in faith and love.



Visit Zimbabwe with Global Mission Partners

Global Mission Partners is putting together a Partner Discovery Visit from **16 to 26 July 2026**, and they are looking for a few more people to join our team!


[MORE INFO](#)

[Expression of Interest Form](#)

Elvanto

Stay connected with our church community! Log in to the database to check the directory, serving roster, groups, and update your details today. Click "LOG IN" or scan the QR code. Need help? Contact the church office.

[LOG IN](#)




Elvanto Videos 101

[WATCH NOW](#)



Thinking about Baptism?

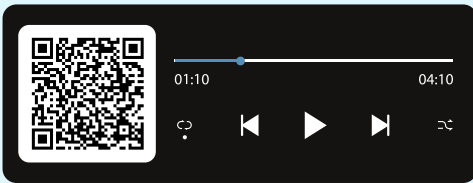
Baptism is a public declaration of faith in Jesus – symbolising new life, forgiveness, and being welcomed into God's family. It's also a step of obedience, following the example Jesus set for us.

If you're curious, interested, or ready to take that step, our pastoral team would love to walk with you. Feel free to contact Justin, Rees, or Katie to find out more.



ECC Songlist

Get familiar with the worship songs we sing at church – or sing along with your children at home! Our ECC playlist is available for you to listen to anytime. Simply scan the QR code to access the Spotify list or click [here](#).



Wonder Ink WONDER@HOME

A Family Portal, easily accessible online. Inside, you'll find a wealth of resources, including engaging Bible story videos, the series' memory verse, thought-provoking discussion questions, hands-on activities to solidify the lessons from the Bible, and much more!



REGISTER



LOGIN



Stay Connected on Your Version



 Use the Bible App?

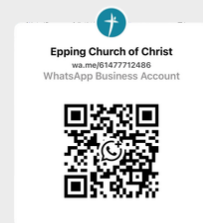
Add [Epping Church of Christ](#)
as your church on the app

scan the QR code

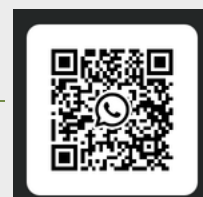
Access plans, updates & more!
Let's grow in God's Word –
together.

ECC on Whatsapp

[Add ECC
WhatsApp
Number](#)



[Join ECC
Congregation
Group Chat](#)



Donation Opportunities



Funds for the Telopea Shed, Material Aid and Emergency Relief.

You can make a tax-deductible donation by direct deposit to:

Hope Connect Inc

BSB: **082 186**

Account Number: **04609 8955**

Email the church office and we can organise a receipt from Hope Connect for you.



Telopea and Epping Religious Education Fund (**TEREF**)

Scripture in schools is a valuable service our local churches offer. Support this fund that enables **Rees** to teach Special Religious Education (SRE) at Epping Boys High School. Your tax-deductible donation makes it possible.

BSB **082-186**

Account No. **533580802.**

Include your name in the description so a receipt can be issued.

Support the impactful work of Horizons by making a tax-deductible donation.



Scan the QR code or visit horizonsfamilylaw.org.au

OpenDoors®

Here's how you can contribute:

- Visit www.opendoors.org.au/asia
- Click on "Give Now"
- Enter your first name and last name
- In the 'Church Name' field, please type 'Epping Church of Christ' to ensure your donation is correctly tracked to our church's profile.



Medical Santo is facing an increasing demand for medications and rising costs.

To address these challenges, they need additional resources to support the clinic.

Your generous tax-deductible donations will help them meet these needs and continue their mission. Thank you for your support.



To support and contribute to the work of OBC, please consider making a donation. Your generosity helps sustain our mission and initiatives.



Or make a donation by direct deposit to:
Online Bible College
BSB: **032-501**
ACC: **162151**



Alison is currently serving as a full-time volunteer staff member with the Sydney Refugee Team and in Member Care/Spiritual Direction. As she dedicates her time and energy to these important ministries, we invite you to consider supporting her financially.



Support SRE in Epping and Carlingford Schools

We need your help to continue providing Special Religious Education (SRE) in Epping and Carlingford schools. Your donation will support SRE programs and fund **Linda Quinn's** coordination role in several Carlingford schools. Your donation is tax-deductible.



ECC has concluded our mission partnership support of Chris and Cheryl Mason at the end of 2025.

Chris & Cheryl would still appreciate your ongoing prayers and any financial support. You can visit their info page to see how you can pray for them and/or make a donation.



June

Sunday Speakers	
7/6	Rees Wilson
14/6	Justin Campbell

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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Justin's away

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Online Calendar



July

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Steve Frost



School Holidays

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School holidays

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Richard Beck



Anniversary



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Anniversary

GIVING

There are several ways you can process your giving: Simply visit our website, use Elvanto, direct transfer, in person on Sunday or contact the office if you wish to arrange to drop it off. Thank you for supporting the ministry in and through our church.



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Additional contact hours: Thursdays: 2 pm - 3 pm
(by email, WhatsApp, or phone) Fridays: 1 pm - 3 pm



 31 Bridge Street, Epping, NSW 2121

The Elders are available for various pastoral concerns, ranging from needs or problems you are facing in ministries, counselling, prayer and Christian growth. Please raise your need with them.



Epping Church of Christ acknowledges God as the Creator of all things — and over all people. As Psalm 24 says, "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it." We recognise that we gather and minister on the land of the Wallumedegal people of the Dharug nation, the original custodians, entrusted by God with its care. We respect Elders past and present, and we affirm our call, as followers of Jesus, to walk humbly on this land in the way of peace and reconciliation.

National Australia Bank (NAB)

A/C Name:

Epping Church of Christ Inc.

BSB No: **082-186**

Account No: **50 924 3830**

KEEP IN TOUCH

We love to hear from you!

Feel free to let us know of things to celebrate and news to share. Email to office@eppingchurchofchrist.org.au or call us at **9876 3370**.



Management Committee

Guy Collishaw – President

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Heather Lewis

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Telopea

www.HopeConnect.org.au

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Safe Church Policy



Safe Church Concerns Form

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