

July 2025

*We are glad to have you with us today in worship.
It is our hope that you will not only learn more
about God, but that you will encounter Him and
experience His presence, love and grace for you.*



Diary Dates

Sunday 6 July – Sunday 13 July, 2025
National NAIDOC Week - The Next
Generation: Strength, Vision and Legacy
<https://www.naidoc.org.au/>

Monday Bible Study

is in recess for the July school holidays, and
will resume **Monday 21 July** at 3pm in the
Church. Rev Wattson Pualilo continues to lead
the study. All welcome

Friday 11 – Sunday 13 July, 2025
Uniting Church Synod of NSW & ACT
Synod

‘Transforming Communities’

at Western Sydney Conference Centre
<https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/>
Catherine Ridge will be attending Synod on
our behalf.

Annual reports are required from the
Minister, Church Council, Treasurer,
Congregation, Property and Administration
Committee, Worship Committee and Pastoral
Carers. The deadline for these reports is
Tuesday 15 July at the Church office. The
2025 Annual Report can then be compiled for
printing and distribution.

Friday 18 July at 12pm in the Church foyer
Property & Administration Committee
Minutes of the meeting will be available on
the Church noticeboard, following the
meeting. (Please note change of meeting
time.)

Sunday 27 July at 9:30am
History Mystery led by Richard Peck



THOUGHTS ON CONTENTMENT

St Paul had learned the secret of contentment.
He wrote to the members of the church in
Philippi advising that whether we had a lot or a
little, the key is to depend on God and his
strength.

*“Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned
how to get along happily whether I have much
or little. I know how to live on almost nothing,
or with everything. I have learned the secret
of living in every situation, whether it is with a
full stomach, or empty, with plenty or little. For
I can do everything with the help of Christ who
gives me the strength I need.” Phil: 4: 11-13*

Paul challenged young Timothy to strive for
contentment regardless of his circumstances.
He wrote:

*“True religion with contentment is great
wealth. After all, we didn’t bring anything with
us when we came into the world, and we
certainly cannot carry anything with us when
we die. So if we have enough food and
clothing, let us be content.” 1 Tim: 6: 6-8*

The world bombards us with messages telling
us we need more. More money, more
gadgets, more possessions. It is easy to
believe that the next thing, just beyond our
reach, will bring us happiness. How do we
curb these desires?

Paul contends that true fulfilment comes
through a personal relationship with Jesus
Christ and aligning our desires with Christ’s
priorities. Jesus offers us contentment and
peace of mind that the world’s greatest riches
can never bring.

Reflect on St Paul’s encouragement to the Philippian church

*“Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever
is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure,
whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if
anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think
about such things. Whatever you have learned
or received or heard from me, or seen in me
put it into practice.*

And the God of peace will be with you.”

Philippians: 4: 8-9