

Welcome to

North Lake Macquarie

Uniting Church

You are most welcome at NLMUC. If you are a visitor or a new resident in the area we would like to get to know you and help you feel at home. Please make yourself known and join us for a cuppa and chat.



We have **two worship centres**, with a variety of services and other activities

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Warners Bay Uniting Church at The Willows.

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ABOUT THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA

The Uniting Church in Australia is the third largest Christian denomination in Australia and the first church to be created in Australia.

Even though our congregations can be vastly different, each is a community in which people seek to follow Jesus, learn about God, share their faith, care for each other, serve the local community and seek to live faithfully and with real joy.

The Uniting Church came into being on 22 June, 1977 after three denominations—Congregational Union in Australia, The Methodist Church in Australasia, and The Presbyterian Church of Australia joined together.

On any Sunday more than 2,500 congregations worship at a Uniting Church. Including many congregations that worship in languages other than English. Our churches can be found deep in the heart of our cities, or in our most isolated and outback towns. Many congregations have existed for years while others are new and worship in different ways.

For more information about the Uniting Church visit

<https://assembly.uca.org.au/>

A BIT OF NLMUC HISTORY

North Lake Macquarie Uniting Church congregation came about as the “coming together “ of three local congregations Boolaroo Uniting Church, Cardiff Uniting Church and Warners Bay Uniting Church. We now share two worship sites one at Boolaroo and one at Warners Bay.

Boolaroo Uniting Church began as Boolaroo Methodist Church on 25 February 1900 in Main Road Boolaroo.

Cardiff Uniting Church began as Cardiff Methodist Church in 1891 at Queens Avenue Cardiff.

Warners Bay at the Willows began as Warners Bay Methodist Church in 1952, at Howard Street in Warners Bay.

The Warners Bay and Cardiff congregations combined at Howard Street on 11 November 2001 and in 2002 became known as Lakeside Uniting Church Warners Bay.

On 26 September 2004 this congregation moved to the Willows in Hillsborough Road, Warners Bay and became Warners Bay Uniting Church at the Willows.

Extensions were made to the existing premises, which were officially opened on Friday, 26 November 2010 by Rev Alistair McRae, President of the Assembly of the Uniting Church in Australia.

REGULAR EVENTS IN THE PARISH

For specific details on times and contact people please refer to our monthly magazine **The Pulse** or refer to our **website**

Worship

Boolaroo

10 am Sunday Family Worship
Communion 1st Sunday in month.

The Willows

9:am Sunday Family Worship
Communion 2nd Sunday in month.

6 pm Wednesday Time Out

A contemporary service and a time to explore bible and life issues.
1st Wednesday Pot Luck Dinner and Communion Service

Prayer Meeting

7 am Tuesday to share concerns and pray together about the church, the world and personal needs

Mens Bible Study

The Willows 10 am Tuesday
where Uniting Church daily devotional bible reading guide 'With Love to the World' is the basis of our time together

Home Groups

Small groups are part of life of the church and provide opportunities for sharing and support of each other as we discover how to apply biblical truths in our lives today. Some meet in homes, some at the church.

Care & Share

Meets to provide support and a listening ear for those experiencing difficult times.

Hand of Friendship

Is a group for older women and men meeting for interesting talks, entertainment and devotions. BYO lunch.

Women's Fellowship:

An opportunity for women to join in an evening of guest speakers, chorus singing and fun activities.

Ladies Church Aid

At both Boolaroo and the Willows. For those who enjoy supporting the church financially through lamington drives, sausage sizzles, and catering for church functions.

Tennis at Lake Macquarie

Tennis Centre

Men and women welcome to have a game on Tuesday mornings.

Table Tennis at The Willows

A get together for a fun game.

The Fundraising Committee

Funds are raised at organised events to support church activities. Events to raise funds include Bunnings BBQ , Trivia Night and other fun activities

Kids Club at the Willows.

Provide children with exposure to church through weekly activities of fun, friendship and a devotion dinner is included.

Warners Bay Youth Group

This youth group focuses on creating a safe and relaxing space for youth to come and interact with their peers along with encouraging them to interact with those outside their immediate peer group. It is run in partnership with Eastlake Youth Centre .

North Lake Macquarie Multicultural Playtime

A community partnership between NLMUC, Northern Settlement Services and Lake Macquarie City Council. It includes International Play, parent /carer support and children's activities and craft

Other activities are held during the year to provide a time of fellowship and fun and include activities such as church lunches, pot luck dinners, coffee and dessert evening and an annual coach trip.

VISION OF NLMUC

The vision of N.L.M.U.C. is to be a community that follows the commandment of Jesus to love one another as he loves us.

To achieve this vision:

We will continue to share the story of Jesus with others recognising that the church exists in a challenging and different world from that of the past.

We will endeavour to continue to follow the example of Jesus and show:

- Loving kindness
- Genuine welcome
- Sincere acceptance
- Providing for needs
- Understanding and care
- Willingness to listen and support

We will continue to build contacts and positive relationships between the church and the community through the many existing activities that occur within the life of the congregation and maintain a willingness to take up other opportunities as they arise .

We will maintain a welcoming safe environment for all within church and our activities.