

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER 2009

Each Sunday @ 5 pm **Christian Meditation** in our Church

Each Friday @ 11 am to 3pm **Church Office** open

Sun 4.10.09 9.30am: **Communion Service** including **Kids n God**. There will be a retiring collection for the refugees in our community. Donations will be channelled through “Bridge for Asylum Seekers”: an activity of Uniting Care.

Wed 7.10.09 7pm: an address by Linda Burney MP hosted by **Mosman Reconciliation** at the Mosman Art Gallery and Community Centre. No charge, refreshments provided.
RSVP Denise Wilton 99608921

Thurs 8.10.09 12.15 for 12.30 – 1.30pm: **Business Network Lunch:**
Venue: Australian Institute of Management, Level 1, Room 103, 215 Pacific Highway, North Sydney.
Speaker: Glen Powell from the Board of Mission.
Cost \$20 includes drinks and sandwiches.
RSVP Charissa Suli: 0427 939 170

Sun 11.10.09 9.30am: **Worship Service**

Tues 13th – 27th: Our Minister, Junmo Koo, will be on leave

Sun 18.10.09 9.30am: **Worship Service** conducted by Mr Peter Worland.

Tues 20.10.09 2.00pm: **Friendship Club Meeting.** The guest speaker will be Dorothy Sproul, her subject will be Art History and the Old Testament.

Sun 25.10.09 9.30am: **Worship Service** conducted by Rev Christopher Ridings.

ADVANCE NOTICES for NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

On Sunday Nov 1st we will hold our **Annual Thanksgiving Appeal**

On Tuesday Nov 10th the Friendship Club will host a bus trip to Blackheath for the **Rhododendron Festival**. Book with Beverley Roden.

On Sunday December 6th we will hold our annual **Advent Progressive Lunch**. Details TBA



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Junmo's reflection

Sydney's unusual dust storm

Recently a spectacular blanket of orange and yellow pollution cloaked Sydney and parts of New South Wales. It seemed as if it was raining mud which covered the whole world. People with respiratory problems were advised to stay indoors. It was an eerie day when we realized that human beings are very weak and small compared with nature.

When asked "What is the most urgent issue for these days?" many people answer: "It is ecological awareness including global warming." Yes, our lives are very closely connected with nature. Human beings cannot last a minute without nature. Nobody can deny that we have concerns and responsibilities in regard to our natural environment.

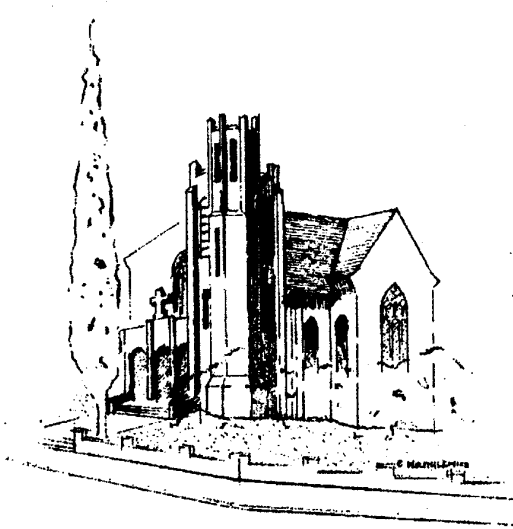
What about God? Does the Creator cause all these natural disasters to show his mighty power? Or is God the life-giver who, like a worried mother, looks at his children in trouble with affectionate eyes? And what about our eyes? How do we look at nature? Do we regard it with the pride of a conquerer or with humility and love?

I believe God's mission on earth is to spread courage and hope, to enable us to live in harmony with each other and nature, not to abandon us to despair and loss. As God's missionaries on earth today we need to invite people to hope for the future, even for a new creation in God. Because even though it sometimes looks hard I still want to believe that God is with us.

Amen.



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“HARBOUR VIEWS” AND CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 2009