

## OUR PASSION

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**At St Ives Uniting Church we  
are passionate about learning.**

**We learn from life for life,  
with our whole being:  
heart, mind & soul.**



**Heart**



**Mind**



**Soul**

## OUR PROGRAMS

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We launched Uniting Life & Learning in 2012 with **"Meet the Neighbours"**. We visited our neighbours in faith at the North Shore Synagogue, the Great Synagogue and the Gallipoli Mosque. As well as visits, we gathered together before and after to reflect on our own beliefs and practices.

In 2013 we will provide programs growing in number & diversity, including:

- **How the Bible Came to Us (4 sessions)**  
4 & 18 Feb, 4 & 18 March
- **Science & Faith (6 sessions)**  
6 & 20 May, 3 & 17 June, 1 & 15 July
- **Meet the Neighbours (Series 2)**
- **Finding Purpose for Life**

Our 2014 programs will include:

- **Builders & Boomers; Gen X & Gen Y:  
Who's who, and why does it matter?**
- **Spirituality in Practice**
- **Ethics for Life**

We will also add a travel program:

- **The Holy Land (Israel/Palestine,  
Jordan & Egypt) 21 April - 10 May  
2014**

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## **St Ives Uniting Church**



## **UNITING LIFE & LEARNING**

HELPING PEOPLE GROW  
IN WHOLENESS

## **HOW THE BIBLE CAME TO US**

**4 & 18 FEBRUARY  
4 & 18 MARCH  
2013**

# UNITING LIFE & LEARNING



In her 1970 song “Woodstock”, Joni Mitchell famously sang “life is for learning”. The song is best known for capturing the sense of spiritual yearning and life questioning that crystallised in the

Woodstock Festival of the year before. This was the era of flower-power, love-ins, Vietnam War protests, LSD, hippies and hairy “Jesus people.” It was also the era when the idea of adult education was born.

At St Ives Uniting Church we are committed to living and learning. We learn from what we live; we learn so that we can live. We also believe that learning involves the whole person. Jesus of Nazareth once famously said, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind, soul & strength; and love your neighbour as yourself.”

Our new program “Uniting Life & Learning” is all about learning from and for life. We invite anyone who wants to be part of this journey to grow in wholeness: in heart, mind & soul.

<b>How the Bible Came to Us</b> Introducing the events & text of the Bible, from an inclusive & progressive perspective.	
7.00 pm coffee. Session: 7.30-9.00 pm Mon 4 Feb	<b>From Exodus to Exile:                  What happened &amp;                  who wrote it down.</b> An overview of the events and written sources behind the Hebrew scriptures.
7.00 pm coffee. Session: 7.30-9.00 pm Mon 18 Feb	<b>Jesus &amp; the Gospels:                  What happened &amp;                  who wrote it down.</b> Did Jesus REALLY exist? What can we know about him? What’s special about the four Gospels?
7.00 pm coffee. Session: 7.30-9.00 pm Mon 4 March	<b>From Jerusalem to Rome:                  How a movement                  became a church</b> Paul’s life, letters & theology. The role of women in the church, then and now!
7.00 pm coffee. Session: 7.30-9.00 pm Mon 18 March	<b>The Finished Product:                  Manuscripts, copies and                  translations</b> Who decided what should be in or out? Is what we have today ANYthing like the original?

## Uniting Life & Learning (UL&L) Expression of interest

I plan to attend “How the Bible Came to Us”:

- All sessions OR  
 4 Feb    18 Feb    4 Mar    18 Mar

Please send me more information about:

- Science & Faith (May-July 2013)  
 “Meet the Neighbours” Interfaith Program  
 Finding Purpose for Life  
 Holy Land Tour (21 April-10 May 2014)

Name

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Phone

Email (preferred)

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