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When, where and cost:

Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 November 2018

Lower Burt Hall, St George's Cathedral,
38 St Georges Terrace, Perth

Full Conference: \$95 / \$65 concession (students, seniors,
health card holders)

Single Day price: \$70 / \$55 concession (students, seniors,
health card holders)

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Peace Conference

100 years since World War I - what have we learned?

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The Gospel calls on Christians to build just peace in their communities.

Peace is what all people want for their children and future generations, yet all around us we're continually faced with violence and war. We experience violence on an international scale, with nations threatening nuclear war; intergenerational trauma compounds systemic violence experienced by marginalised communities across the nation; and violence can inhabit our homes in the form of family violence.

How do we put our desire for just peace into practice?

What is the best way for the church to build peace?

One hundred years after World War I, what have we learnt about peace making?

This once-in-a-lifetime ecumenical conference will mark the 100th anniversary of World War I by inspiring, resourcing and challenging us to make peace in our communities. Together, we will explore peace in the context of international, national and community settings. We invite you to take part in listening to our esteemed speakers, and to delve into practically and tangibly taking action through workshops, including:

- ANZAC identity and the quest for peace
- how are environmental changes contributing to conflict?
- coming to terms with history – colonisation and Stolen Generations
- caring for those fleeing war – seeking refuge in Australia
- do prisons build peaceful communities?

Program

Saturday

9.30am registration
10.00am plenary – international focus
11.00am break-outs – international focus
12.30pm lunch
1.30pm plenary – national focus
3.00pm break-outs – national focus
4.30pm close

Sunday

9.30am Armistice Day Commemorative Service at St George's Cathedral
11.30am Interfaith panel
12.30pm lunch
1.30pm break-out 1 – community focus
3.00pm break-out 2 – community focus
4.30pm close

Keynote Speakers

Dr Sue Wareham OAM

Sue is President of the Medical Association for Prevention of War (MAPW) Australia, and the Association's ACT Branch Secretary. She is also on the board of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, with which MAPW Australia is affiliated. Sue has spoken and written widely on matters related to peace and disarmament, and is a board member of ICAN (the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons) Australia, recipient of the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize. She is also active in Australians for War Powers Reform, which seeks to reform the way in which decisions to send the Australian Defence Force (ADF) to war can be made.



Rev Dr Chris Walker

Chris has served in a range of positions and places in the Uniting Church including local church ministry in NSW, synod roles in Queensland, as principal of the Uniting Church theological college in SA, and as a national consultant for theology and discipleship for the Assembly of the Uniting Church. He taught theology at Murdoch University and served the WA Synod in second semester 2017. Throughout his ministry he has had a passion for peace. He represented the Uniting Church at the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Peace Convocation in Jamaica in 2011. Chris has written a number of books including *Peace Like A Diamond: facets of peace* (Spectrum, 2009).



Dr Joel Hodge

Joel is Senior Lecturer in the School of Theology at the Australian Catholic University, based at the St Patrick's Campus, Melbourne. He is author of *Resisting Violence and Victimisation: Christian Faith and Solidarity in East Timor* (Ashgate/Routledge). He is co-editor of the book series, *Violence, Desire, and the Sacred* (Bloomsbury Academic) and Secretary/Treasurer of the Australian Girard Seminar.



other speakers include:

Prof Caroline Fleay, Prof Carmen Lawrence, Fr Chris Bedding, Jo Vallentine, Rev Neville Watson + many more!