

Weekly News



High Street Uniting Church

We acknowledge the traditional custodianship of the
Bunurong people in this region

Week of 20th October: Month of James (3) - Draw near to God

Coming up

October:

Fri 25th - Sun 27th:
LEGs trip away

Sun 27th: All Saints
combined service at
10:00am led by Rev.
David F.

November:

Tues 5th: Melbourne
Cup public holiday, office
closed

Sun 10th: Armchair
traveller fundraising event
at 7:00pm

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Rev. Ross Writes...



I think we underestimate how society shaking the early church was in the cities around the Mediterranean. In cultures where people kept to themselves, their caste, class, and job. And into that understanding of society came the new Christian communities that said, "The Gospel is for everyone. All are welcome." For the first time, slaves and slave owners, rich and poor,

tradesman and beggars, were sitting side by side and sharing in worship. It's no wonder that the letters of Paul, James, and Peter have so many mentions of quarrels, conflicts, and subgroups. As well as learning about this new faith that they had been captured by, they had to learn how to be a community. So, when Paul writes to the new communities in Galatia, saying, "There is neither Jew nor gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for all are one in Christ Jesus", this is not just theology about moving from a faith based in Law to a faith based in Christ, this is a call to community. A call to equality before God that overwrites all our ideas of hierarchy and class and race. With that background, scripture open a whole new insight into human behaviour and community development.

All these centuries later we seem to have forgotten that lesson, with so many of our church communities being distinctly mono-cultural, with the universal nature of the Gospel being relegated to evangelism and church planting. Can we regain, and live, that wonderful, gracious, message that all are welcome, not just people like us?

Combined service on Sunday, 27th October - Moderator's Visit

It will be a pleasure to welcome to our Moderator and friend, Rev. David Fotheringham, to worship next week in a combined service.

To help give a warm and hospitable welcome, please bring along a plate of goodies to share for morning tea in the hall. If anyone is available to set up the hall on Saturday afternoon, please see Rev. Ross.



Presbytery Prayers

This week we ask you to join us in prayer for Chaplains in Hospitals and Aged Care - including Mr Andrew Kinnersley CEO, Ms Victoria Jaques GM Victoria, Chaplain Christopher Booth (Noble Park) and Chaplain Trish Campbell (Mornington).

SWISH Fundraiser for November

As a part of its "Local Matters" initiative, Grill'd Frankston is once again raising funds for our very own SWISH group! To participate, enjoy a burger at Grill'd and put your token in the "Frankston Vision Impaired Table Tennis Club" jar. For more info, visit: grilld.com.au/local-matters

Safe Church Training

The Port Phillip East Presbytery is holding safe training sessions on the days below.

Please register via the link for the corresponding day.

Please be aware that you need to hold current valid working with children check at the time of registration.

Should you have any questions about the training, please contact Anne (secretary@ucappep.org) or Robin (pm-cd@ucappep.org).

For the in-person training Tuesday 29 October at 7.00pm visit: <https://events.humanitix.com/safe-church-training-29-october-2024>

For Zoom training 12 November at 7.00pm visit: <https://events.humanitix.com/safe-church-training-2024-nvr3n8q8?>

If you're not sure if you need to do to training or if your WWC is current, please contact Mandy Lake.

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL FUNDRAISER SUNDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 2024 5.00 – 7.30PM

We will 'travel' to North India
Explore JBKS Woman & Child Health Clinics Project
Enjoy a Light Meal (Bring a Plate of Food to Share)



Tickets: \$10

Framed Print to be Ruffled; Photo Cards for Sale
All takings go to JBKS and Women's Spirit Projects



Traditional Rosters

Sunday, 20th October

Bible reader: Aubrey M.

Prayers of the People: Mac C.

Stewards: Robert L. Cheryle W.

Morning tea: Rona R, Marilyn Sheerin

Sunday, 27th October - Combined

Bible reader: Ross H.

Prayers of the People: Kerry & Mandy

Stewards: Shirley & Daryl

Morning tea: Everybody!

Further details can be found on our website or on the noticeboard in the Church

More Information

Prayer team: Phone 5971 2840

(Marlene) or email

HSUCPrayer@googlegroups.com

Offerings:

Account name: Frankston Uniting Church

BSB: 063 133

Account #: 00800128

Please use **OFFERING** as the description

OR

Mail Cheque to:

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Notices: Please send any items to frankstonuc@gmail.com by midday on Thursday.

HST: Please send material to

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Zoom/Phone Details

On a tablet or laptop computer

Go to:

<https://zoom.us/j/95468493260>

Password: 3199

(or go to <https://zoom.us/join> and use the meeting number below)

On a phone without video:

Call: (03) 7018 2005

Meeting ID: 954 6849 3260 #

Participant ID: #

Password: 3199 #