



PARTNERSHIP IN PRINT



ISSUE NO. 60 NOVEMBER 2020

REAR VIEW VISION

The story we had last weekend is a great story of how Moses was feeling isolated and unsure of himself. He was feeling a bit like us at the moment facing this Covid 19 pandemic. Here is poor Moses out in the desert with the Israelites – who have been rebelling, making golden calf's, and it looks as if Moses is getting to the end of his tether and he wants someone else to help him lead the people of Israel.

And out of sheer exhaustion he pleads with God to show him or tell him who he will send to help Moses lead his people.

But God replies – but I know you Moses, I am all you need. But Moses continues the argument and says – “Yeah but these are your people – this nation is yours, and I need more proof of your glory before I can do the things you're asking.”

These frustrations of Moses I feel are how we feel at this time. We wonder who is leading us, we hear grumbling from the crowds and we want to know when everything will be all right again, when things will be back to normal.

Moses was saying well God if you are so great and glorious then show me – how can I look after your people if I don't see your glory.” He was pretty cheeky, I thought, talking to God like that.

And God says OK because I know you are a faithful servant.

So God lets Moses experience God's glory. But God says, ‘but you're not allowed to look on my face.’

You see Moses was feeling down, as we all are, and wanted to have some physical

proof that God was there and that he would be there for Moses when things got tough. And God was faithful because he loved Moses and so he was given permission to see God in person – but only from the rear view.

But for us too, living in this day and age, we find it hard to see where God is in our lives.

But I believe we are able to see God in creation and in the love and support of the people around us and in the people He calls us to serve.

God has come close to us in a very special way since Moses' time – we are able to see God in the sunrise or sunset. We can see God in the smile of someone who cares, but also in the face of those who struggle and are hurting.



All because God revealed himself in his son Jesus, and then gave us the Holy Spirit, so that we can experience God with us and within us every hour of our lives.

Moses had to plead with God for this experience of God, but we can have it through the gift of the Holy Spirit, which is constantly with us

I like that image of God covering Moses with his hand until he passes and then Moses is able to see the back of God.

In some ways that's the image of God I would like to have because it means if all I can see is the back of God then it means I must be following him and He will lead me to where He wants me to be.

Rev. Ian Pearse 18th October 2020

LECTIONARY Readings Year A

Ordinary Sundays after Pentecost

A period of time that varies in length depending on whether Easter is early or late. In this period, the Church recalls its faith in the Holy Trinity. It seeks to relate its faith as a people of God to Christ's mission in the world. It commences with Trinity Sunday and concludes with the feast of Christ the King.

Date	Day/Season	Color	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
1 Nov	All Saints Day	W	Revelation 7:9-17	34:1-10, 22	1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 5:1-12
1 Nov	Ord Sun 31	G	Joshua 3:7-17	107:1-7, 33-37	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13	Matthew 23:1-12
8 Nov	Ord Sun 32	G	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25	78:1-7	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Matthew 25:1-13
15 Nov	Ord Sun 33	G	Judges 4:1-7	123	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30
22 Nov	Christ the King	W	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	100	Ephesians 1:15-23	Matthew 25:31-46

LECTIONARY Readings Year B

Advent

A season of preparation, beginning on the fourth Sunday before Christmas, in which the church recalls its hope and expectation in the coming of Christ past, present and future

29 Nov	Advent 1	P	Isaiah 64:1-9	80:1-7, 17-19	1 Corinthians 1:3-9	Mark 13:24-37
6 Dec	Advent 2	P	Isaiah 40:1-11	85:1-2, 8-13	2 Peter 3:8-15a	Mark 1:1-8

Colours: P – Purple

W – White

G – Green

R - Red

HIDDEN GEM

Do you recognise this place? It's another body of water in a different area of the Partnership. Can you identify this place?

Have you a **Hidden Gem** in your community? Take a photo of your community's Hidden Gem and see if others can recognise it. It may be a building, a natural environment feature or...????
This month's picture is from.....??? (see page 6 to see if you're right!)

Photo on page 1 from Unsplash by Jasper Boer



AROUND THE PARTNERSHIP



Which way?



A Journey to the Mountain... Part 1.

Exodus 32

When the people saw that Moses had not come down from the mountain but was staying there a long time they gathered round Arron and said to him, "We do not know what happened to this man Moses who led us out of Egypt: so, make us a God to lead us."

I have often wondered why the people didn't go up the mountain to find him. Why didn't Arron or Hur simply follow on later? They must have known where he was going because they helped him and his Bagman Joshua prepare. Faced with the twofold crisis of being in a desert isolated and with their leader gone they made their choice; they made their own God and threw a big party.

So, today thousands of years later, in this time of our own crisis, isolated, locked down, in the desert of Covid-19, our leader departs me and is not coming back for a very long time, on his long service leave, to his mountain, rest, prayer, relax, reflect. I hope he has a good Bagman because when you Minister God's word to me you sure carry away a truckload of baggage.

Faced with the choice of Prayer or Party, this time, I ignored the advice of Arron and chose prayer, and in that prayer, indeed he maketh me lie down in green pastures. And in that green pasture of quiet prayer, I took the cotton wool out of my ears and put it in my mouth. Listen then if you have ears... he said. "Seek God wherever you are, and wherever you go I will be with you until the end of the ages, come to the mountain and seek my face and on your journey continue to spread the good news among my people."

I packed up my caravan and headed off on my journey to the mountain.

Brian Lauder

Projects during COVID-19 restrictions

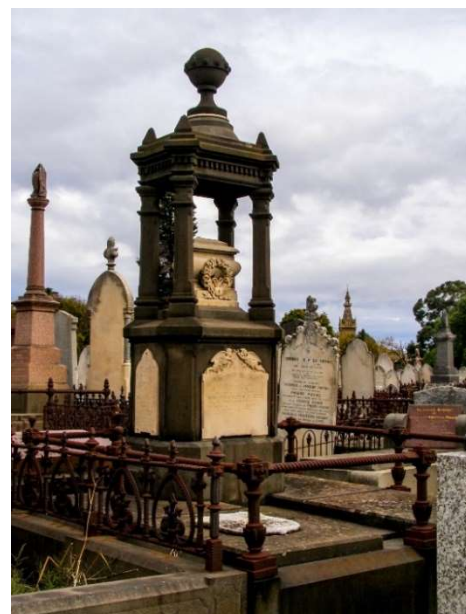
I have compiled a book about William Walter Tyrrell Stanford. My father is writing his life story and asked me to gather the material we had about William. There were a few holes in the info, so I went looking and found enough material for a book. If you have ever been to the Melbourne General Cemetery and done the 'Notable and Notorious' tour, you may remember that William Stanford was one of the notorious people included.

William is my 2x Great Uncle by marriage. He spent many years in Pentridge prison, wrongly accused, for being a bushranger. While there he carved a beautiful fountain, which was, in 1872, erected in Gordon Reserve, Spring St, Melbourne, between Parliament House and the Old Treasury Building. William was released from prison in 1871, and pardoned, after serving 15 years of his 31-year sentence. A friend, LL Smith, a politician and doctor, who had fought for William's release, set him up as a monumental mason.

William created many gravestones in the Melbourne General and St Kilda Cemeteries. William married twice; both of his wives had the name Mary Ann which made initial research confusing. The gravestone at the Melbourne General Cemetery is what he initially created for my 2x Great Aunt. Within 7 years of her death, William, his second wife and only child had also died. They are all buried in the one grave. He had lived for only 8 years and 8 months after his release from prison.

The fountain is still standing. I am at present trying to find members of the family of William's second wife so we can organise a 150th remembrance celebration at the fountain in April 2022. The book is not yet complete as I am waiting until restrictions ease and I can visit the State Library where some of William's personal items are stored.

Jay Brooks



Gravestone for 'Flowy' Mary Ann Tyrrell Stanford (Pretty), William Walter Tyrrell Stanford, 'Marianne' Mary Ann Tyrrell Stanford (Bienvenu) and Florence Emily Tyrrell Stanford

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10.30am Zoom Chat AB	4.30pm Zoom chat PC				11am Zoom chat AB 6.30pm Fish'n'Chips (Kyneton via Zoom)	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
10.30am Zoom Chat AB	4.30pm Zoom chat PC	10am Zoom chat LY			11am Zoom chat AB	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
10.30am Zoom Chat AB	4.30pm Zoom chat PC	10am Zoom chat LY			11am Zoom chat AB 6.30pm Fish'n'Chips (Kyneton via Zoom)	PIP items due tomorrow!
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
10.30am Zoom Chat AB PiP items due today for Dec-Jan edition	4.30pm Zoom chat PC	10am Zoom chat LY	10.30am Redesdale café gathering		11am Zoom chat AB	
29	30	November 2020				
10.30am Zoom Chat AB	4.30pm Zoom chat PC					

*Zoom Chat: the ministry team are available to assist you in staying connected to your church family. Please contact the minister who is available at the time that suits you, so that you can be given the appropriate link to participate: Annette – Friday and Sunday, Linda – Tuesday, or arrange a time for your gathering.



I needed to do the laundry, but then I realized I was out of detergent, so I went to write a shopping list and realized how unorganized the junk drawer was, and started checking pens for ink.

When I went to toss all the junk, I saw that the trash was full but before I took it out I wanted to get rid of old food in the fridge.

That's when I realized a juice jug had leaked so I needed to clean it up but when I went to grab a rag, I saw that the pantry closet was a nightmare so I started organizing it.

And that's how I ended up on the floor looking at my old photo albums from 1990's and not doing laundry.

Comment

What is your idea of God?

Trump said that his COVID infection was a "gift from God."

Tell that to the 215,000 people in the US who have died in the pandemic and the many thousands around the world who have suffered from the illness and may have permanent after-effects.

(My opinion – Wendy Hebbard)

William Walter Tyrrell Stanford

(1840-1880)

larrikin
sheep stealer
horse thief
robber
bushranger
prisoner
escapee
sculptor
respectable citizen
monumental mason
convict emancipationist
victim of industrial hazard
novel hero

His story from the press through the years

compiled by Jay Brooks



Planned front cover for Jay's book

This was an unexpected but very welcome visitor to Jeni Clampit's front veranda, very early this year



Another Covid-19 Restrictions Project

I have completed a knitted blanket that I had started several years ago. I am very proud of how it turned out

– Jay Brooks

This Christmas, Kyneton Baptist Church, supported by Cobaw Community Health and Macedon Ranges Shire Council, is again running the Macedon Ranges Gift Shop (formerly the Macedon Ranges Toy Shop). Due to COVID-19 restrictions, it will be run as a gift card program. Families in need will have gift cards distributed to enable them to buy a gift for each child.

To be able to do this, they are seeking financial donations, and they hope to be able to raise \$15000. They are wondering whether local churches might like to take up a virtual offering one week to support the gift shop, but also welcome donations from individuals.

Donations can be received at any Bendigo Bank branch, or via direct transfer to:

Macedon Ranges Gift Shop
BSB: 633 000
Account Number 1774 695 74

If you know of anyone who may benefit from this service, please contact your congregation's secretary or a member of the ministry team for an application form.



2020 is nearly over: THOUGHTS FOR COVID-19 TIMES

- * The dumbest thing I ever purchased was a 2020 planner.
- * The buttons on my jeans have started social distancing from each other.
- * The days of the week are now: Thisday, The Otherday, Someday, Yesterday, Today, Oneday and Nextday.
- * I can't believe people's survival instincts told them to grab toilet rolls.
- * I'm going to stay up on New Year's Eve this year; not because I want to see the New in, but because I want to make sure this one leaves.
- * If I'd known in March it would be my last time in a restaurant for months, I'd have ordered deserts.
- * Keep in mind, that even in a pandemic no matter how much chocolate you eat, your earrings will still fit.



CareWork SunRanges **Operations Manager**

CareWorks SunRanges Inc. is an ecumenical Christian charity which provides an emergency food, financial support and referral service to individuals and families in crisis within the Sunbury and Macedon Ranges region.

CareWorks is currently seeking to fill two paid, permanent part-time roles (15 hours per week): Operations Manager and Service-delivery Manager.

Further information, including a detailed job description and how to apply, can be obtained by calling Marc Huggins (0490 038 006) or emailing mlh156@outlook.com
Applications close on November 27, 2020

The Hidden Gem: This month's gem is the Campaspe River in Kyneton on a sunny winter's day. Thanks again to Lyn for the lovely photo.

Can **you** send me a photo of a Hidden Gem for the next edition of PiP?

Next Partnership in Print will be a bumper edition for December and January as there will be no PiP in January. Please send all events/stories/photos/tidbits to me **by 22nd November** for the next edition. I am happy to receive emails or texts via phone or you can pop something in the post for me.

Robyn (contact details at bottom of Contact list under Z 😊)

Contacts Other Groups		
<u>SUTTON GRANGE</u> <u>MIA MIA</u> <u>BARFOLD</u> <u>METCALFE</u>	<u>Congregation Chair</u> - Dot Smith <u>Elders - North</u> Dot Smith Marge Townrow	<u>Elders- Kyneton</u> Pip Elston Helen Aldridge Joan Mills Andrea Strack Doug McIver
<u>KYNETON</u>	<u>Congregation Chairperson</u> Roy Gibbs	<u>Congregation Secretary</u> Jenny Elston
<u>LANCEFIELD</u>	<u>Elders</u> Peter Fraser, Ian Kennedy Judy Stammers, Rita Vandervalk	<u>Classical Music Group</u> Ian Kennedy <u>Organist</u> - Rita Vandervalk
<u>ROMSEY</u>	<u>Church Council/Elders</u> Noel Shaw, David Strack Jeni Clampit, Jenny Elliott, Jay Brooks John Laing, Carol Toy	<u>UCAF</u> Pres/Sec - Jeni Clampit Treasurer - Carol Toy
<u>TYLDEN</u>	<u>Elders</u> Shirley Bowen, Joy Evans Max Hinneberg,	<u>Worship Team Co-Ord</u> Janet Cole
<u>WOODEND</u>	<u>Editor Partnership in Print</u> – Robyn Zumstein	
<u>MT MACEDON</u>	<u>Elders</u> Fiona Armour, Anne Fyfield David Liebich, Neil Tweddle <u>Men's Group</u> - John Cross	<u>Thistle Club</u> President - Shirley Cross Secretary - Anne Fyfield <u>Organist</u> - George Fyfield
<u>RIDDELLS CREEK</u>		<u>Craft Group</u> - Lynette Bucknall
<u>GISBORNE</u>	<u>Prayer Ministry/F & C</u> - Glennis Speed <u>Pastoral Care/F & C</u> - Bev Gilbertson <u>Social Justice</u> - Wendy Hebbard & Nola Anderson <u>Worship & Education</u> - Paul Gilbertson	<u>UCAF</u> - Maree Clarke <u>Craft Group</u> - Linda Moorhouse <u>Friends Pizza Night</u> - Ron Hebbard
<u>CoCo</u> - (Co-ordinating Council)	<u>Chair</u> - Colin Chapman <u>Secretary</u> - <u>Minute Secretary</u> – Keith Hallett <u>Treasurer</u> - Paul Gilbertson	<u>Finance Committee</u> Chair - Paul Gilbertson, Lyn Ward, Colin Chapman & Bronwyn Hewitt <u>Property Committee</u> Chair - Ian Kennedy Paul Gilbertson, Noel Shaw

Address label

Partnership in Print is a monthly magazine produced by the Uniting Church in Australia – Macedon Ranges Partnership and is available on the last Sunday of each month, except December

MINISTERS Rev Linda Young Ph 0412 137 783 ministryyounglinda@gmail.com	Rev Peter Cannon Ph 0434 310 862 revpeterc@gmail.com	Pastor Annette Buckley Ph 5429 5351 or 0457 608 539 annettebuckley@ucaromsey.com	Minister in Association Rev Deacon Meg Evans Ph 0439 492 245 marevans@bigpond.com
--	--	--	---

OFFICE PHONE (03) 5428 6920	OFFICE LOCATION AND POSTAL ADDRESS 3 Sutherland Rd, Riddells Creek, 3431	PARTNERSHIP EMAIL ADDRESS macedon.ranges.partnership@hotmail.com
---------------------------------------	--	--

PARTNERSHIP WEBSITE www.macedonrangesunitingchurch.org.au

CONGREGATION DETAILS	CHAIRPERSON	SECRETARY	TREASURER	PROPERTY	CoCo REPS
SUTTON GRANGE - Church Access Rd MIA MIA - Matheson Rd BARFOLD - Heathcote-Kyneton Rd METCALFE - 3 Metcalfe-Kyneton Rd KYNETON - 54 Ebdon St (PO Box 892)	Pip Elston	Doug McIver miamiakynetonu c@outlook.com	Finance Committee Helen Carey (Treas) Roy Gibbs Jenny Elston	Church Council Executive	Marge Townrow Dot Smith
					Helen Aldridge, Pip Elston
LANCEFIELD - 9 High St	Rita Vandervalk	Ian Kennedy	Peter Fraser		Ian Kennedy, Rita Vandervalk
ROMSEY - 25 Pohlman St (PO Box 264, Romsey, 3434)	Noel Shaw	Jeni Clampit	Roger Baker		Noel Shaw, Jeni Clampit, Jay Brooks (alt)
TYLDEN - Trentham Rd (c/o Tylden General Store, Tylden, 3444)	Max Hinneberg	Janet Cole	Dawn Hinneberg	Max Hinneberg	Bronwyn Hewitt, Janet Cole Dawn Hinneberg
WOODEND - 37 Forest St (PO Box 34, Woodend, 3442)					George Roberts
MT MACEDON - 682 Mt Macedon Rd	Neil Tweddle	Fiona Armour	Lyn Almond		David Liebich, Neil Tweddle, Anne Fyfield (alt)
GISBORNE - 23 Brantome St	Bev Gilbertson	Colin Chapman	Paul Gilbertson	Neil Moorhouse Rob Dunstan	Colin Chapman, Keith Hallett, Paul Gilbertson

Printing donated by

InFlight Graphics