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Regenerating
the Church



The Shape of Mission

I have been reading the wonderful book by Sara Miles, related to the image clip that we have been showing around the place a bit lately. The clip is called “Bread and Wine” and is an interview with Sara. The book is called “TAKE THIS BREAD” and it is the story of her transformation into faith.

Sara is a political activist and has covered stories in many conflict areas and has lived on the edges of society.

Sara’s faith has led her to live out her faith with a very active calling to feed and nurture people. She reminds us that there is no ‘deserving’ or ‘undeserving’ poor. All of us are called to give to one another, to put our love for our neighbour into practice. The Gospel calls us to follow Jesus, to be disciples, rather than worship Jesus as such. Our following and imitating is more important than our sacrifice. It is, after all, what our God requires of us, to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God (Micah 6 v 8). We are asked over and over again to care for the marginalised, to love and support the edge people just as Jesus did. God’s ‘preferential option for the poor’ means that there is no other way for us disciples. We are to dine with “sinners” and outcasts just as Jesus did.

Sara tells of gathering in around the communion table and sharing in the bread and wine saying together the body of Christ and the blood of Christ, “then something outrageous and terrifying happened. Jesus happened to me”. There is more power in the sharing together around the table, reminding each other of God’s love for us, than we sometimes realise. The Christianity that called to Sara through the stories in the Bible, “scattered the proud and rebuked the powerful”. This religion speaks of “divinity revealed by scars on flesh. It was an upside-down world in which treasure....was found in darkness; in which new life was manifested through a humiliated, hungry woman and an empty tortured man”. But Sara was challenged by her experiences and the following statement a friend of hers made reminds us of the importance of our mission , “I’d go to services....and it was all very social, unexamined, class-bound. I mean, didn’t they read the words of Jesus?”

Our mission is not an outreach we perform but rather is an act of gratitude. This centres things differently doesn’t it? We come to know Christ’s body through our act of communion but we encounter the body of Christ by being present with humanity, “the human race outside our church doors”. Sometimes we find it easier to “do” mission with those who are like us, a fairly natural tendency. In so doing we protect ourselves from the challenge of loving others who are different, those who are more truly ‘other’.

The theological reflection in our Presbytery document “REGENERATING THE CHURCH: 2021 Strategy” tells us that the mission is “wondrous.....beautiful, amazing, awe inspiring and ineffable.... life giving and liberating.” This is not our mission but rather God’s so it is both beyond and

within the church. We are told here that the church exists to serve this mission. We follow God into the mission and it remains God's. Our Partnership ministry focus has been to go where God leads, to hear the flapping of the wings of the Holy Spirit calling us to come and join in. This has meant we have searched for where God is offering life and then to "participate in and witness to this mission: to be mission shaped" as the above document has described. It says that following Christ's mission includes the way we gather as community and our treatment of one another. It includes our ecumenical engagement, our use of property and our love and service in the world. "We have an irresistible and beautiful treasure that shapes our life..." This is indeed transformational for us and for others as we invite them to pilgrim with us. This mission of God isn't optional but is essential to our being the church. We are called here to allow the Spirit to regenerate us, reshape our life and join in the mission.

What a pleasure and a privilege it is to join together as the church, to come to renewal and to hear where God would call us into mission, to love and honour one another (to treat each other as we would treat Christ) and to share this precious, precious gift of God's love as our gratitude response in any way we can.

Wendy

Prayer & Worship

Worship in Kyneton

After the congregation meeting on Sunday 3rd February, it was decided to hold a Sunday service on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 9.30am in Kyneton.

One month (even months ie February, April, June) these will both be led by lay leaders and the other month (odd months ie March, May, July) the 1st will be led by a lay leader and the 3rd by one of our ministers.

Fifth Sundays will continue to be a Partnership service.

We are extremely grateful to our 3 lay leaders for their willingness to continue to provide Sunday services for those who would like to regularly worship in Kyneton.

There will also be 2 Friday evening services each month, led by a minister. These will be on the second and fourth Fridays of the month.

We have held two services so far, which have been very well received and have included a

lovely time of fellowship around the table as well as a time of worship/reflection/music and communion.

Please let others know of these arrangements and invite them along.

Jenny Elston (Kyneton)

Worship Planning

A Planning meeting for the Romsey and Lancefield Worship Committee will be at the Lancefield Church on Thursday 28th February at 7:30pm.

World Day of Prayer

Friday 1st March

Theme - 'Come - everything is ready'
worship prepared by the women of Slovenia.

Gisborne Service will be at 10am at the Gisborne Church of Christ.

Romsey and Lancefield Service will be at St Mary's Catholic Church in Romsey at 11am. Please bring a plate of food to share for lunch following the service.

Worship Leaders

March	Partnership service	Other Partnership Services	Notes	Other Congregational services/prayers
Sunday 3rd March	Tylden 9 am - HC Wendy Elson	Woodend - Mon 4th - 11am Riddells Ck - Ash Wednesday 6th - 9am Kyneton - Fri 8th - 6:30 pm	Annette on Leave	3rd Romsey 9am - Jeni Clampit 3rd Gisborne 9:30am - TBA 3rd Kyneton 9:30am - TBA 3rd Barfold 10am - TBA 3rd Mt Macedon 10:30am - Janet Wood 3rd Lancefield 10:45am - Jeni Clampit
Sunday 10th March	Romsey 9am - HC Wendy Elson	Woodend - Mon 11th - No Service due Labour Day holiday Riddells Ck - Wed 13th - 9am	Annette on Leave	10th Tylden 9am - Worship team 10th Gisborne 9:30am - TBA 10th Metcalfe 10am - TBA 10th Mt Macedon 10:30am - D'arcy Wood
Sunday 17th March	Kyneton 9:30 am - HC Peter Cannon Riddells Creek 4 pm - HC Peter Cannon & Wendy Elson	Woodend - Mon 18th - 11am Riddells Ck - Wed 20th - 9am Kyneton - Fri 22nd - 6:30 pm	Annette on Leave	17th Tylden 9am - Jan Cole 17th Romsey 9am - TBA 17th Gisborne 9:30am - TBA 17th Mia Mia 10am - TBA 17th Mt Macedon 10:30am - Cliff Talbot 17th Lancefield 10:45am - TBA
Sunday 24th March	Gisborne 9:30 am - HC Preacher	Woodend - Mon 25th - 11am RM Begg - Mon 25th - 3:30pm Riddells Ck - Wed 27th - 9am	Annette on Leave	24th Tylden 9am - Bronwyn Hewitt 24th Romsey 9am - TBA 24th Sutton Grange 10am - TBA 24th Mt Macedon 10:30am - Max Woolcox 24th Lancefield 10:45am - TBA
Sunday 31st March	Woodend 10am - HC Ministry Team	Woodend - Mon 1st Apr - 11am Riddells Ck - Wed 3rd Apr - 9am	5th Sunday Partnership Service Surprise	

Weekly Prayer & Meditation

There are a number of weekday opportunities to be involved in worship, prayer or meditation within the Partnership. You are welcome to attend any of these occasionally or regularly.

Prayer for Peace every Monday morning at 11am at Woodend. Followed by lunch. The community are warmly welcomed to this but we really encourage Partnership members to be involved.

The Lancefield Church is open for private Prayer and Meditation every Wednesday 11am - 3pm.

An Ecumenical Meditation Group meets by arrangement. Contact Wendy for details.

Labyrinth walk at Riddells Creek is available at any time if you wish to walk on your own.

Prayer Meetings are held at Gisborne Church at 2pm on Tuesdays and 10am on Fridays.

Pancake Day Events

Gisborne

Once again members of the Gisborne Church will toss pancakes in the Shopping Complex outside the IGA Supermarket on Saturday, 2nd March, between 9:30am and 12:30pm, with proceeds going to UnitingCare.

Do come along and support the cause and have some fun!



Romsey

Members of the Romsey Congregation invite Partnership members and friends to join with them for the 5th annual social pancake tea from 6pm on Tuesday, 5th March.

Bring a small amount of a savoury or sweet pancake topping to share. Batter supplied (gluten free too). Donation to 'Uniting'.

Special Events

Tylden Car Boot Sale

The Tylden Uniting Church Car Boot Sale will be held on Monday 11th March commencing at 9am. We have a variety of stalls including cake stall & white elephant table on this day as well as a BBQ and Devonshire tea/coffee available. If you would like to book a site please call Glenda on 54248218.

This should be a great day out.

Car Boot Sale - Gisborne

If you are interested in booking a site for the Gisborne Uniting Church's Car Boot Sale on Saturday, 30th March, please ring Noel Hemphill, 5428 2624, or Paul Gilbertson, 5428 2446. Cost of a site is \$15.

The Sale will be on the block next door to the church at 23 Brantome Street, between 9am and 2pm. Do come and buy a treasure, or indulge in Devonshire Tea or a sausage sizzle.

Meetings

CoCo

The Partnership Co-ordinating Council meeting may not be going ahead. But if so will be at Sutton Grange on Saturday 2nd March at 9:30am. Keep an ear out for confirmation.

Romsey Church Council

The Romsey Church Council meet at the home of David and Sandra Strack on Wednesday 6th March commencing at 6pm with a meal.

Gisborne Church Council

The Gisborne Church Council meet at 7:30pm on Wednesday 13th March.

Clubs and Groups

White Goose Book Exchange

The White Goose Book Exchange is open each **Wednesday** 9:30am - 1:30pm at Riddells Creek. Come for a book, to read the papers, a cuppa or just for a chat with our friendly volunteers.

Stitches in Rhyme

We are sewing Boomerang Bags for the Riddells Creek Community on Wednesdays, at The White Goose at 1pm, now being called Stitches in Rhyme - sewing and poems & stories.



Cuppa @ Cookies the Church

Each Monday – 2pm



Coffee get together at Romsey has moved to the church from Monday 25th February for the period that Cookies Country Cafe will be closed. After a few months break Cookies will reopen in one of the new shops at the northern end of the shopping strip.

Gisborne Friends

The friends night at the Gisborne church from 6:30pm on Friday, 1st March.

Mt Macedon Men's Group

The men's group meet at Mt Macedon church at 10am on Tuesday, 5th March.

Tylden UCAF

The Tylden UCAF next meeting is on Tuesday, 5th March at 2pm at the church.

Muffin 'n' More

Muffin 'n' More meets at Gisborne on Tuesday, 12th March from 10am until 12 noon.

Brunch

Northern Congregations gather for Brunch at Redesdale Rural cafe on 2nd Tuesday of the month. Next gathering Tuesday, 12th March at 10am.

Delightful Diners

The second dinner for the Delightful Diners for 2019 is on Thursday, 21st March at 6:15pm, at Vespers Woodend (the pizza shop next to the Op Shop) following the 5:30pm late night opening at the Woodend Op Shop. All are welcome. Please come and share with us.

Tylden History Club

The Tylden History Club hosted by the Tylden congregation meets on Wednesday, 27th March at 7:30pm.



Film Club



Film club will recommence on Thursday, 28th February at 7:30pm at Riddells Creek. The film, "Sweet Country", is an award-winning period western by director Warwick Thornton and tells the harrowing story of an Aboriginal stockman tried for the murder of a Northern Territory white station owner in the 1920s.

Film for Thursday, 28th March is still to be decided.

Mt Macedon Thistle Club

February meeting is at 2pm on Wednesday, 27th at the church. Rev Meg Evans will lead us in a devotion to start our year.

Please bring jars of Spaghetti Sauce for Kyneton Caring Community.

On Wednesday, 27th March we will be going on an outing to see the 'Enchanted Forest Sand Sculpting Adventure' at Dromkeen and having afternoon tea in the tearooms afterwards.

Cost is \$15 for the sculptures plus afternoon tea. Meet 2pm at Dromkeen.

Learning Opportunities

Peter Barcham Lecture

*"Prayer and contemplation
in 21st century suburbia"*



Clare Boyd-Macrae will come to Gisborne on Monday, 25th February to give the annual Peter Barcham Lecture at the Gisborne Church at 7:30pm.

The lecture is free and all are welcome not only to listen but to engage with Clare. Copies of her books will be available to purchase. More information from Janet or D'Arcy Wood.

Theology for Dummies

On the first Monday of each month members of the Northern congregations meet at 10am at the Rural Cafe in Redesdale to discuss matters theological. No prior knowledge is expected, no question too silly.

Next gathering is Monday, 4th March.

'Developing skills & understanding'

Synod Lay Preachers' Association
Annual Conference

Friday, 15th March 7pm - 9:30pm and
Saturday, 16th March 9am - 4:30pm
(AGM 3pm - 4:30pm)

at the Centre for Theology and Ministry,
29 College Crescent, Parkville.

Cost: Friday free, Saturday \$30

All Lay Worship Leaders, Lay Preachers and Candidates invited to attend. This is an opportunity to meet other Lay worship leaders from across the Synod and to further develop your skills and understanding of various aspects of worship leading.

Contact Association secretary by email for further information <lpasecretary@victas.uca.org.au>

Lenten Studies

Lenten Studies will be taking place at Mt Macedon UC at 11am on Fridays 22nd & 29th March and 5th & 12th April. We will be discussing *Lent for Everyone, Luke Year C* by NT Wright. Please contact Paul Gilbertson to order a book.

Supporting People Seeking Asylum

Human Flow

this breathtaking epic journey with artist and activist Ai Weiwei captures the scale and personal impact of the global refugee crisis. The film follows families in over 20 countries. It was screened at the 7th Venice International Film Festival.

Friday 22nd March, from 6:30pm

Mt William Room, Romsey Neighbourhood House

(The film is 135 mins. You are welcome to come for part.
Late arrivals welcome also. Refreshments available.) Free Entry.

Come and ask your questions or get info. Tell your story too.

Sponsored by Romsey and Lancefield Neighbourhood Houses and Romsey UCA

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

March 2019

3 Transfiguration

9am - Partnership Worship at Tylden

9am - Worship at Romsey

9:30am - Worship at Gisborne & Kyneton

10am - Worship at Barfold (cuppa at 9:40am)

10:30am - Worship at Mt Macedon

10:45am - Worship at Lancefield (cuppa at 10:15am)

4

10am - 'Theology for Dummies' at Redesdale

10am - Woodend OpShop sorting

11am - Prayers for Peace at Woodend

12noon - Woodend lunch

2pm - 'Cuppa@Romsey'

5 Shrove Tuesday

10am - Mt Macedon Men's Group

2pm - Tylden UCAF

2pm - Prayer at Gisborne

6pm - Pancake tea at Romsey

10 Lent 1

9am - Partnership Worship at Romsey

9am - Worship at Tylden

9:30am - Worship at Gisborne

10am - Worship at Metcalfe (cuppa at 9:40am)

10:30am - Worship at Mt Macedon

11 Labour Day Holiday

9am - Tylden Car boot sale

12

10am - Brunch at Redesdale

10am - Muffin'n More at Gisborne

2pm - Prayer at Gisborne

17 Lent 2

9:30am - Partnership Worship at Kyneton

4pm - Partnership Inter-generational Worship at Riddells Creek

9am - Worship at Tylden & Romsey

9:30am - Worship at Gisborne

10am - Worship at Mia Mia (cuppa at 9:40am)

10:30am - Worship at Mt Macedon

10:45am - Worship at Lancefield (cuppa at 10:15am)

18

10am - Woodend OpShop sorting

11am - Prayers for Peace at Woodend

12noon - Woodend lunch

2pm - 'Cuppa@Romsey'

19

2pm - Prayer at Gisborne

24 Lent 3

9:30am - Partnership Worship at Gisborne

9am - Worship at Tylden & Romsey

10am - Worship at Sutton Grange (cuppa at 9:40am)

10:30am - Worship at Mt Macedon

10:45am - Worship at Lancefield (cuppa at 10:15am)

Items for PiP due

25

10am - Woodend OpShop sorting

11am - Prayers for Peace at Woodend

12noon - Woodend lunch

2pm - 'Cuppa@Romsey'

3pm - Service at RM Begg

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2pm - Prayer at Gisborne

31 Lent 4

10am - 5th Sunday Partnership Worship at Woodend

Printed copies of PiP available

<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
		1 10am - Prayer at Gisborne 10am - WDoP at Gisborne 11am - WDoP at Romsey 6:30pm - Friends Group	2 9:30am - CoCo (TBA) 9:30am - Pancakes at Gisborne IGA
6 Ash Wednesday 9am - Ash Wednesday observance at Riddells Creek 9:30-1:30pm - The White Goose 1pm - Stitches in Rhyme 11-3 - Lancefield Church Open 6pm - Romsey Church Council	7	8 10am - Prayer at Gisborne 6:30pm - Meal & HC at Kyneton	9
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Report of Coco Meeting & AGM held on Saturday 2nd February 2019 at Kyneton UC

Chairperson Colin welcomed us to our first meeting for 2019. Presbytery Minister Rev. Bruce Watson attended this meeting.

Annette lead us in a devotion – showing a DVD of journalist Sara Miles – she was challenged unexpectedly by visiting a church and gradually became involved in a program of feeding community members not as a social service but as a partnership of equals.

Minutes of Coco Meetings held in November and December were confirmed.

Pastoral Care Lists – work in progress. All churches have their banners and they are hopefully being well used. Presbytery will consider extending permission for Jay to give Communion at their next meeting.

Then discussed new arrangements within the Partnership for 2019. Sunday Partnership Services well attended during January. Gisborne are endeavouring to make Tuesday a day when activities happen – Muffins and More and a possibility of Lentara offering community services on this day. Lancefield extending musical options with a “Jazz and Blues” evening. Mt.Macedon considering having some seminar or discussion things happening when Peter is present on Thursday afternoons. Will be having a Lenten Study in March and April prior to this happening. Northern still to be formulated though support for AA and the Cricket Club at MiaMia happening. At Kyneton the shared meal seems to be working well. Romsey finding the Cookies get-together is a good thing but will need to review when Cookies closes for a while. Tylden have a full calendar with Op.Shop duties, UCAF, History Group etc.

Annette said the new worship format was a trial for when 3 full-time ministers were not an option in the future so please be willing to get behind this and ‘give it a go’.

Some discussion over the workings of the Hubs – The plans for Woodend have been drawn up and drainage (which needs to be done first) is in the process of being sorted out. Working out how to slot in Op.Shop and Food Bank under consideration. Wendy requested assistance from other Congregations to interact with those who come for lunch on Mondays. Either to talk to those who come or to assist in the serving of food. Maybe could be done on a roster basis.

Riddells Creek Hub – David and Neil pulled down the chimney in the vestry ready for renovations. This work should start very soon. White Goose has people drop in regularly.

Northern Hub – Work in progress.

Peter wrote the Ministry Team Report – please read this Report at your local Church.

Treasurer reported that we are meeting our commitments. Funds are available for a new fence at the Woodend manse requested by a neighbour.

Wendy’s resignation was mentioned. She will be involved as usual until after Easter. Farewell’s etc will be made closer to her departure.

Treasurer Paul reported there are Australian Taxation Office implications with the word ‘Partnership’ in our title. So for the ATO purposes we will be known as Macedon Ranges Uniting Churches. For all local purposes the word Partnership will be used.

The Congregations reported on their happenings since the last Coco Meeting. Good reports on Christmas Services, Follow The Star etc. Also many happenings in the New Year as programs resume or fresh things are tried. Please keep up to date with the Partnership news in PIP.

The Rev. Bruce Watson conducted the AGM with Chairperson Colin Chapman, Secretary Fiona Armour, Treasurer Paul Gilbertson, Assist

Treasurer Lyn Ward re-elected. Lyn Ward was elected Vice Chairperson. Neil Tweddle was thanked for his tenure as previous Vice Chair-

person.
Thanks to Kyneton UC for hosting this meeting.



KYNETON ALL-DAY SACRED HARP SINGING

You are warmly invited to attend the
Inaugural Kyneton All-Day Sacred Harp Singing

Sacred Harp singing is a tradition of community singing that originated in colonial New England, and has been preserved for generations in the deep South of the United States.

The name is derived from The Sacred Harp, a tunebook printed in shape notes first published in 1844. The book is a rich collection of shape note songs from various sources, from the 1770s to the present day.

This music is loud, participatory, acapella, folk hymn singing sung in four-part harmony. There are no rehearsals and no performances. We just gather to sing in friendship for the joy of the music.

People of all faiths, and no faith, and singers of all abilities are welcome. No prior musical experience is necessary.

The All-Day Singing will commence with an introductory workshop. Song books will be available to loan or purchase.

Lunch will be a traditional "dinner on the grounds". Contributions of food to share are warmly welcomed.

Donations will be collected on the day to cover costs.

Registration is not required; you are welcome to just turn up on the day. Registration will help with planning and to ensure we have enough food.



Saturday 9 March 2019

9.30am - 4.00pm

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Lectionary Readings Year C

After Epiphany

A period in which the church reflects on the manifestation of Christ to all people. The Baptism of the Lord is the first Sunday of this period. On the last Sunday, we hear the readings for the Transfiguration of the Lord. The length of this period varies depending on the date of Easter.

Date	Day/Season	Col	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
Sunday 3 March	Transfigura- tion	W	Exodus 34:29-35	99	2 Corinthians 3:12 to 4:2	Luke 9:28-36

Lent

A season of preparation and discipline that begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes at sundown on Holy Saturday. During the forty weekdays and six Sundays in Lent, the church remembers the life and ministry of Jesus and renews its commitment to him in Christian discipleship.

Date	Day/Season	Col	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
Wednesday 6 March	Ash Wednes- day	P	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12	51:1-17	2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10	Matthew 6:1- 6,16-21
Sunday 10 March	Lent 1	P	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	91:1-2, 9-16	Romans 10:8b-13	Luke 4:1-13
Sunday 17 March	Lent 2	P	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18	27	Philippians 3:17 to 4:1	Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36
Sunday 24 March	Lent 3	P	Isaiah 55:1-9	63:1-8	1 Corinthians 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9
Monday 25 March	Annunciation	W	Isaiah 7:10-14	45 or 40:5-10	Hebrews 10:4-10	Luke 1:26-38
Sunday 31 March	Lent 4	P	Joshua 5:9-12	32	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Don't be dismayed at good-byes.

A farewell is necessary before you can meet again. And meeting again, after moments or lifetimes, is certain for those who are friends.

Richard Bach

When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You just know that your name is safe in their mouth.

Billy, age 4

A weed is a plant that has mastered every survival skill except for learning how to grow in rows.

Doug Larson, US pastor and singer

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N - Northern, SG - Sutton Grange, B - Barfold, MM - Mia Mia, M - Metcalfe, K - Kyneton, L - Lancefield, R - Romsey,
T - Tylden, W - Woodend, MtM - Mount Macedon, RC - Riddells Creek, G - Gisborne , P - Presbytery

Can we help the homeless?

In the car park in Gisborne behind the Caltex service station and near the petanque court, there is a small red car.

It has been there since before Christmas. 'Word' has it that a homeless person sleeps there.

It is quite discomfoting to think that in our own community there might be such a needy person. There will be others most likely.

A story in *The Age* (27th Jan) tells of a Melbourne man, Graeme , who has found a home, a one bedroom public housing unit, after most of his life being homeless. It is life-changing for him. Despite a history of mental illness, alcohol abuse and child sexual abuse, his life has now undergone an enormous improvement since

he was given refuge through the efforts of *The Age*.

After our combined church service this morning, we were told of a possible opportunity for the congregations of the Macedon Ranges Partnership to join forces with Lentara ,to provide a broad range of support services to our communities. In the February PIP magazine, the current support services offered by Lentara are listed.

This opportunity provides us with a chance to put our faith and words into action - probably better than sitting in meetings! Why don't you tell your Coco representative what you think?

Wendy Hebbard (Gisborne)

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