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Being there, on the edge...



As I write this, there are numerous reports of flooding across the state. Some minor and others quite significant. Charlton reports a 1 in 10-year flood event and Casterton and Coleraine have had

evacuations. Ironically it won't be long and we will be back into the fire season and I remember it is just under 12 months ago we had an unseasonal hot spell that resulted in major fires affecting many in our communities in the Partnership.

Disasters hit and people are hurt and suffer. At such times we try to find ways to pull together to support and aid those affected. Volunteer organisations such as the CFA, SES, Red Cross and VCC Emergency Services' Chaplaincy are at the forefront of efforts.

Around the Partnership in the coming month or so there will be services of blessing for our volunteer emergency services such as the CFA and the SES. It is a reminder to us that we are all part of a community that needs the contribution of each person. We all have a part to play. Some are able to fight fires, others provide relief and others backing and resourcing. We belong together and need each other.

As a Partnership we also come together to support each other in our struggles and needs. We work alongside each other to enable each one's ministry. In the midst of difficulties and uncertainties, there is a call to be life builders, healers and those who set free the wounded and downcast. In the past there has been an expectation that when help was needed that those needing it would come to us. This may have been appropriate when the church was in the centre of the community. This paradigm no longer is helpful or works. We are called instead to recapture the calling of the early church to initiate the sharing of grace, to be in mission beyond our own safe space and to share good news in the spaces where people are.

The good news we have among us is that in the midst of all the ups and downs of life, God comes to us. God initiates the giving and sharing of grace and love. God invites us to share in this mission to reach beyond ourselves to share in the needs and support of those around us. As followers of Jesus we are then people who are called to be out there and on the edge – where ever there is need.

Over the coming weeks and months then, can I encourage you to look for opportunities to be where the need is? Even if you cannot be a firefighter or SES volunteer, find a way to support those who are. That may include attending the blessing services, praying for those participating, listening for a need that may be expressed and helping to find a way to meet it, donate to one of the agencies, help a neighbour prepare for the fire season or a myriad of other ways to engage and show God's love for all. As a Partnership, seeking to be a fresh expression of God's love and presence, let us be attuned to the ways God's Spirit can work in and through us.

Peter

Around the Partnership

Worship Leaders

	Service time	Sunday 2nd October	Sunday 9th October	Sunday 16th October	Sunday 23rd October	
Sutton Grange	11am				Northern An- nette Buckley	5th Si
Mia Mia	11am			Northern		und
Barfold	11am	Northern				lay
Metcalfe	11am		Baptism? Wendy Elson			Sunday Combined
Kyneton	9:30am		Peter Cannon	Annette Buckley		
Lancefield	10:45am	Peter Cannon	Lay Leader	Peter Cannon		Service
	9am	Peter Cannon		Peter Cannon		ce at
Romsey	other		Lay Leader	Sunday@6 Annette Buckley		t Gisborne to
Tylden	9am	HC Annette Buckley				
Woodend	5pm				Wendy Elson	elet
Mt Macedon	10:30am	Baptism Wendy Elson	Annette Buckley	Adele Map- person	Worship Team	celebrate D
Riddells Creek		Thursday ser	vices are in rece	ess for the prese	nt	D'Arcy
Gisborne	9:30am		Supply		Peter Cannon	су

24th October - Ray M Begg (TBC) Wendy Elson



New Worship Time

The Lancefield congregation is now meeting at a new time on Sunday mornings for worship. New times are:-

Morning Tea and Chat from 10.15am

Worship commences at 10.45am.

Classical Music for Pleasure

Our fortnightly Classical Music program resumes at 2.00pm on Tuesday 4th and 18th October.

Open for Reflection

The Church continues to be open to the Community for quiet reflection on Wednesdays from 11.00am to 3.00pm.

Romsey

Church Council Dinner

Wednesday, Oct 5th, 6pm. Church Council Dinner Meeting at Sandra & David Strack's home.

UCAF

Wednesday, October 12th. 1.30pm Romsey UCAF meeting in the Meeting Room.

Sunday @ 6

Sunday, Oct 16th. 6pm. Sunday @ 6 meal and service with Annette Buckley at Romsey

Follow the Star

Monday, Oct 24th. 10am Follow the Star meeting in the Romsey Meeting Room. It is planned to hold this event in Romsey on 20th and 21st December.Full details in November PIP.

ELDER ON DUTY: Noel Shaw - Vestry

Gisborne

Fashion Parade

Gisborne Fellowship will again hold a KAYS Classic Fashions Summer Parade on MON-DAY, 17th OCT at 1.30 p.m. There will be a good range at competitive prices, just in time for summer shopping! Entry is \$10, with door prizes and afternoon tea - All Welcome!

Combined Service

Combined Service for partnership at Gisborne on 30th Oct at 10:30am We will celebrate 50 years of Ministry by 3 ministers; Rev D'Arcy Wood , Rev Bruce Barber and Rev Murray John - Luncheon will follow this service

Library & Advent Studies

Books can be borrowed from our Library. A full list of all books will be forwarded ASAP.

Advent Studies using the Study book "Awaiting the Already' will be held on Friday at 11:00am Commencing on the 11th Nov then 18th , 25th and finishing on Dec 2nd.

More 'n' Muffin - Spring!

See Page 6 for pictures from More' n ' Muffin in September celebrating Spring

Tylden

The Tylden UCAF has resumed after a Winter break and will meet again on Tuesday October 4 at 10am.

Happy 80th birthday to Elaine!

We're planning to have an Open Day and invite the community to visit our church on Oct 16 between 10:30am and 3pm. All welcome.

Mt Macedon

Worship Roster

Oct 2: Rev Deacon Wendy Elson, Baptism of Fabian Bellchambers

Oct 9: Ps Annette Buckley H.C.

Oct 16: Adele Mapperson - Blessing of the Animals

Oct 23: Worship Team

Oct 30: Joint Partnership Service, Gisborne -Rev D'Arcy Wood's 50th Anniversary of Ministry

Riddells Creek



Guest Editor's Joke...

A child asked his father, "How were people born?" So his father said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on."

The child then went to his mother, asked her the same question and she told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now."

The child ran back to his father and said, "You lied to me!" His father replied, "No, your mom was talking about her side of the family."

Gisborne More 'n' Muffin - Spring!



Jhe Chaplaincy Progressive Dinner

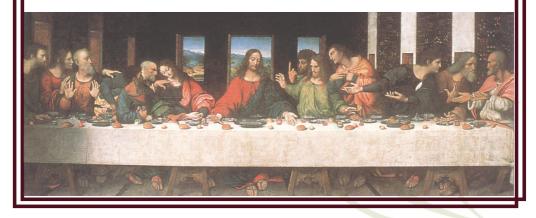
Church of Christ, Saunders Rd, New Gisborne.

Saturday October 15 - 6.30pm

\$25.00 Single or \$55.00 Family,

Silent Auction Musical items by College Students BYO Beverages

To book, contact Bronwyn Tacey: 54284592 or 0417028605



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30 Ordinary Sunday 31 10:30am - 5th Sunday Combined Worship at Gis- borne	31	

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 7:30pm - Romsey Church Council	6	7 10am - Gisborne Prayer Group	8 9:30am - CoCo meets at ??
12 1:30pm - Romsey UCAF	13	14 10am - Gisborne Prayer Group	15 6:30pm - Chaplaincy Progressive Dinner
19	20	21 10am - Gisborne Prayer Group	22
26 2pm - Mt Macedon Thistle Club	27	28 10am - Gisborne Prayer Group	29

COCO REPORT FOR MEETING HELD SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10th 2016 AT WOODEND UC

Chairperson Colin welcomed us.

Robert Renton read us a poem by Bruce Prewer – explaining that things of which we are custodians don't belong just to us, Colin welcomed Peter Cannon back to the Partnership and CoCo – good to have him back and the Ministry Team in place. Robert Renton conducted an Affirmation of Annette's Induction with Wendy and Peter, as Peter wasn't at her Induction.

Correspondence: CoCo had asked for a Presbytery Rep. to attend CoCo meetings as Robert Renton who has been attending our meetings is retiring. Presbytery decided to have quarterly discussions with the Executive to keep up to date. Perhaps contact Presbytery by email or phone if we need advice. Comment made it won't be as 'hands on' as having Robert with us. Probably a need for a Representative from Kyneton and the Northern Congregations on the Executive and also the Ministry Team to keep everyone involved.

Finance: Treasurer Paul estimates after 4 years we may not have any money in reserve for on-going manse maintenance. We need to keep this in mind. We are OK in the short term. Supply Ministers are expensive, particularly travelling expenses – may have to re-evaluate services. Work out priorities.

The funding for Bronwyn in the Church Office has finished – need for volunteers in the Church Office. This will be brought to our attention as to what is required.

Manses: Romsey: Outside painting to be completed when weather permits. Phone is in. Internet available as of 12/9/2016. Heating sorted out. Woodend: Spouting and downpipes need checking as water has been coming into the dining room.

Kyneton: Sale gone through – money is put aside for replacement manse if needed.

Need for Property Committee now Manses are occupied by the Ministers. George Roberts, Noel Shaw, David Liebich and Pip Elston to monitor maintenance of these assets. Will get guidelines in place for this task. They can coopt assistance.

Church Office at Riddells Creek – has phone connected. The Office and the Church space are resources we need to use. Peter will be there for some time each day. He will have worship resources etc available for us to access.

Ministers' Reports: None due – only quarterly. Dates for Wendy's leave mentioned – email to be sent. The Memorandum of Understanding Review mentioned – Rose Broadstock coming later in the Meeting re this.

Joint Service on October 30th for Darcy Woods' 50 years in the Ministry being worked out. Darcy has organised Rev. Bruce Barber to preach. Ministers to liaise with Darcy to format Service. Catering aspect to be advised.

Social Justice: Northern Suburbs Asylum Seekers Meeting will be held soon. Romsey and Lancefield Catholic Priest organising a Picnic at Hanging Rock in the New Year for Asylum Seekers. Synod are running a family camp in Woodend in October. Wendy will keep Congregations informed as details become available. Safe Church: Some discussion when the next Training Day will be held and where. Will find out what is available for our Reps to attend. Presbytery stress Child Safe information needs to be understood. Communications from Presbytery need to be promoted and acted on straight away – don't wait for Church Council Meetings.

New Business: Gisborne Parish of the Anglican Church are running an Introduction to Ministry Course. See one of the Ministry Team if interested.

David Liebich reported on the future of the Riddells Creek Church – no motivation at this stage to continue as a Faith Community. Suggested a Meeting be held for the Riddell people to decide one way or the other. This must be resolved and Presbytery notified. We have to be careful of the property aspect, it could be taken over by Synod.

Wendy asked us to be mindful of Church Registers – Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms etc. Rose Broadstock from Presbytery then took over to facilitate discussion about a Review of the Partnership and the Memorandum of Understanding. A Survey will be devised asking everyone questions about how the Partnership is working under CoCo's direction. A number of questions were suggested. The Executive, with Rose Broadstock on board, will pull the suggestions offered together. The Survey to be completed during four weeks from mid-October till mid-November.

Other Business: Neil Tweddle mentioned Rev. Paul Blacker had mentioned at Presbytery that a Cultural Audit of Port Phillip West was being held. A series of Workshops will be available at Geelong, Melton and other locations. We need to be aware of these and willing to participate when info becomes available. House of The Rock Prayer Group (in Gisborne) are promoting shared groups to pray for concerns throughout the Macedon Ranges. The aim is to support each others' needs.

Reports from the Churches: Overall these Reports were positive. Good things happening throughout the Partnership. See the Partnership In Print for news of what is happening around the Churches.

Website: If we need to make changes contact meagan@inflightgraphics.com.au. Partnership In Print info for October to be sent to the address above as Jay will be away.

Big thank you to Bronwyn for her Secretarial work over the last 6 months. She has done a sterling job under difficult circumstances. The Minutes of the previous Meeting were accepted.

Peter Cannon thanked us for our prayful support over the time of his absence – he is very pleased to be back with the Team.

Thanks to Woodend for their hospitality – it was good to be with you.



Port Phillip West Prayer Cycle

Suggested prayer – We pray for Uniting Church Agencies, Congregations and Schools together with the Ministry Agents who serve God in their various placements. We remember today XXX. Lord, guide and bless your work in our Presbytery that it may flourish for the good of the people and for your glory.

October	Location/Position	People
Sun 2nd	Seddon	Lay Leadership Team
	Williamstown (St Stephen's)	Rev Dr Ken Dempsey
Sun 9th	Strathmore	Rev Juliette Tautala'aso
	Sunbury	Church Council & Congregation
Sun 16th	Sunshine	Rev Ray Gormann, Rev Penala Te'o
Sun 23rd	Torquay	Rev Helen Robinson
	Werribee	Rev Mike Lewis
Sun 30th	Western Heights	Rev Isabel Greenall & Ministry Team
	Williamstown (Electra St)	Rev Dr Avril Hannah-Jones

Macedon Ranges Partnership Prayer Cycle

Day	Congregation/s	Торіс	Day	Congregation/s	Торіс
Sun	Northern Congregations	Friends	Thu	Riddells Creek, Office & Staff	MR Partnership
Mon	Kyneton	Family	Fri	Mt Macedon	Homeless
Tue	Lancefield & Romsey	Concerns	Sat	Gisborne	Current Affairs
Wed	Tylden & Woodend	World Events			

Lectionary Readings Year C

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	Co- lour	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
Sun 2nd October	Ordinary Sunday 27	G	Lamentations 1:1-6	Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137	2 Timothy 1:1-14	Luke 17:5-10
Sun 9th October	Ordinary Sunday 28	G	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7	66:1-12	2 Timothy 2:8-15	Luke 17:11-19
Sun 16th October	Ordinary Sunday 29	G	Jeremiah 31:27-34	119:97-104	2 Timothy 3:14 to 4:5	Luke 18:1-8
Sun 23rd October	Ordinary Sunday 30	G	Joel 2:23-32	65	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	Luke 18:9-14
Sun 30th October	Ordinary Sunday 31	G	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	119:137-144	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12	Luke 19:1-10

David & Sandra Strack	R		
Barbara Talbot	MtM		
Barry & Marg Tarrant	RC		
Marge Townrow	N		
Neil Tweddle	MtM		
Rita Vandervalk	L		
Lyn Ward	MtM		
Michael Woolner	G		
D'Arcy Wood	G		
Carl Zumstein	W		

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

In God's Hands: The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle

The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle enables us to journey in prayer through every region of the world and through every week of the year affirming our solidarity with Christians all over the world, brothers and sisters living in diverse situations, experiencing diverse problems and sharing diverse gifts. See website for weekly prayers. https://www.oikoumene.org/en/resources/prayer-cycle/ecumenical-prayer-cycle/#*

Week 39	25 Sep-1 Oct	Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine
Week 40	2-8 Oct	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia
Week 41	9-15 Oct	Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmeni- stan, Uzbekistan
Week 42	16-22 Oct	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal
Week 43	23-29 Oct	India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka
Week 44	30 Oct-5 Nov	The Indian Ocean islands: Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Sey- chelles, Maldives

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Name	Cong			
Helen Aldridge	K			
Hazel Allen	R			
Fiona Armour	MtM			
Roger Baker	R			
Shirley Bowen	Т			
Jay Brooks	R			
Lynette Bucknall	RC			
Colin Chapman	G			
Judy & Brian Charter	MtM			
Jeni Clampit	R			
Maree Clarke	G			
Janet Cole	Т			
Jenny Connor	Т			
Shirley Cross	MtM			
Rob Dunstan	G			
Jenny Elliott	R			
Pip & Jenny Elston	K			
Joy Evans	Т			
Meg Evans	MtM			
Peter Fraser	L			
Anne & George Fyfield	MtM			
Roy Gibbs	K			
Paul & Bev Gilbertson	G			
Keith Hallett	G			
Ron & Wendy Hebbard	G			
Bronwyn Hewitt	Т			
Dawn & Max Hinneberg	Т			
lan Kennedy	L			
Alison Killoh	W			
David Liebich	RC			
Jean Lucas	Т			
Doug McIver	K			
Neil & Linda Moorhouse	G			
Robert Renton	P			
George Roberts	W			
Noel Shaw	R			
Sina Smale	W			
Dorothy Smith	N			
Glennis Speed	G			
Judy Stammers	L			
Andrea Strack	K			

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Lancefield	<u>Elders</u> Peter Fraser, Ian Kennedy Judy Stammers, Rita Vandervalk	<u>Classical Music Group</u> Ian Kennedy <u>Organist</u> - Rita Vandervalk
	Elders	Worship Team Co-ord Jay Brooks
<u>Romsey</u>	Noel Shaw, David Strack Jeni Clampit, Sandra Strack Jenny Elliott, Jay Brooks	<u>UCAF</u> Pres - Hazel Allen Sec - Jeni Clampit
Tylden	<u>Elders</u> Shirley Bowen, Joy Evans Max Hinneberg, Jean Lucas	Worship Team Co-Ord Janet Cole
WOODEND		
Mt Macedon	<u>Elders</u> Brian Charter, Anne Fyfield Neil Twee Barbara Talbot, Shirley Cross	ddle Thistle Club President - Judy Charter Secretary - Anne Fyfield <u>Organist</u> - George Fyfield
Riddells Creek	<u>Elders</u> David Liebich Barry Tarrant Marg Tarrant	Craft Group Lynette Bucknall
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