

The topic is: *A Climate for Change – Tomorrow’s Moral Imperative Today.*

Cost: Metropolitan \$40. Concession and non- metro: \$30. **Notice Board**

**Reminder** that the annual *Church Camp* is at Merricks from Friday Oct 25<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>. More details to come.

Next Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July, the Baptists will have the official opening of the mural at their church at 11am. All welcome.

[skbaptistchurch@hotmail.com/](mailto:skbaptistchurch@hotmail.com) ph.9525 4620 for catering.

*We respectfully acknowledge the Yalukit Willam clan of the Boon Wurrung – the Traditional Owners of Port Phillip. We pay our respects to their Elders and community - past, present and emerging. We acknowledge and uphold their continuing relationship to this land.*

Date	14 July	21 July	28 July	4 August
<i>Worship Assistance</i>	David Melissa	David Andrej	David Roma	David Mary
<i>Welcome at door</i>	Darren	Roma	Wendy	Melissa
<i>Flowers</i>	Deb	Petra	Roma	Mary
<i>Coffee</i>	Darren	Roma	Wendy	Andrej/Petra
<i>Rubbish collection</i>	Randall	Andrej	Roma	Randall

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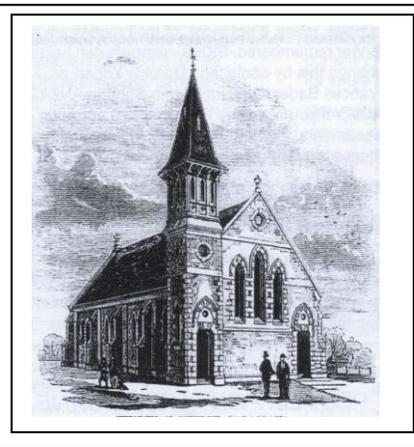
**VISION STATEMENT:**

As a community of faith, the St Kilda Uniting Church Parish Mission strives to do what is just, to show constant love and to walk humbly with God.

**NEWSLETTER DETAILS:**

Desleigh Kent is the editor and distributor of the Newsletter. If you would like to receive a copy of the church newsletter each week or if you wish to be removed from the list, please contact Desleigh: [desleighk@ozemail.com.au](mailto:desleighk@ozemail.com.au)

Contributions to the content are also welcomed.



**St Kilda Uniting Church  
Parish Mission  
NEWSLETTER  
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Sunday, 14 July 2019**

You are most welcome to our service this morning. The Rev. David Pargeter will lead our worship. Please join us afterwards for tea/coffee and conversation.

**Bible Reading: Amos 7: 7 – 17 pg. 344. Luke 10: 25 – 37 pg. 686.**  
*The Inclusive Bible*

**From David: A Hair-Raising Experience.**

I get what’s left of my hair cut at a little barber shop tucked into the back of a \$2 variety gift shop in Balaclava. The barber charges a flat fee of \$10. Full head of hair or bald, the price is the same. He’s an immigrant from Russia who speaks many languages.

The other morning I sat in a short queue along with 5 other customers. He greets everyone in their own language. While we wait he chats to the man in the chair but given the setting, its really a conversation with all of us. We are all regulars, and he knows we come from different parts of the world. “What do you think about immigration?”, he just kind of innocently throws out there. There are a range of replies. Some are almost compassionate. Some harsh. Some very harsh. And a couple of grunts and snorts. Strange really, how people from other countries can hold such unsympathetic views on the subject of other people arriving and settling in Australia. One man said that all immigration should stop because its changing ‘our’ way of life. Go figure! In that moment, the barber shop was a window into contemporary multicultural Australia.

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It was quite clear from the conversation that the only thing we had in common, apart from our humanity, is our reason for being there – hair, and the reduction of it.

Then the barber rolls in another piece of provocation: **What about this NAIDOC Week then?** What's that, one customer asks – eyes never leaving his mobile phone? Load of nonsense, says another. Another mumbled something incoherent about black voice. I won't repeat what someone else said. However, he got up and left before anyone could challenge him. Just as clearly, that little conversation demonstrates that more needs to be done with regard to telling the story of Indigenous history. Especially, the consequences of colonisation by early and subsequent settlers; including present-day arrivals.

Oh, and the wonder of cultural diversity.

**It poses the very real question about how to get the message through to people on the street. Especially those who have come from different countries and settled onto this land, enjoy its freedoms and benefits, yet remain ignorant with regard to whose land has been occupied and what happens even now, to the First People of this land.**

*We clearly have a long way to go.*

Peace  
David

## ***HYMNS/SONGS***

### **Time is so much more...**

(Tune: The Last Supper)

**Time** is so much more than passing moments slipping through our hands like falling rain.

Help us God to use our time more wisely  
Thinking how to live and to serve you every day.

**Time** to share with loved ones and our neighbours

Time to share with strangers on the street.

Time to say hello and smell the roses  
Smiling at the world and the people that we meet.

**Time** to do those things that are life giving  
Simple things that lift our spirits high  
Things that keep our busy lives in balance

Filling life with joy and with meaning every day

**Time** to work with you God on creation  
Seeking peace and justice here on earth  
Time to reconcile and be forgiving  
Bringing hope and love to a world that needs re-birth.

Words, David Pargeter 8/2017

### **All over this land**

**All** over this land, the spirit was moving

**All** over this land, its people and the sea.

**All** over this land, creation's heart was stirring

**In** a dream where life began and its people young and free.

**All** over this land, our history is weeping  
**All** over this land its people are in pain  
**All** over this land there's a quiet desperation

As the ancient paths grow cold, and their stories start to fade.

**All** over this land, in Songlines and Dreaming

**All** over this land, God's wisdom can be heard

**All** over this land, the sun and wind are singing

Like a timeless breath of life, in a universe of hope.

David Pargeter 12 July 2019

**TiS 629 When I needed a neighbour were you there?**

**TiS 754 You are my Hiding Place**

### **NOTICES**

***We farewelled Rosemary Eagle from this church last Wednesday. There were great tributes to her life – her kindness, generosity and hospitality.***

***REMINDER Lunch after church next week 21<sup>st</sup>***

***The CHURCH COUNCIL*** invites you to stay after church on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July** - Randall will give an update on property issues.

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***Reading and Discussion evening will be on Thursday August 22 at 7.30pm at Mary and Brian's.***

***Next Friday, 19 July, 7.30pm, HOLY TRINITY, BALACLAVA***, David Johnston, OAM, will accompany classic silent movies, including the 1902 sci-fi film, *A Trip to the Moon'*, on the church's Fincham organ. Cost \$20.

***PUBLIC LECTURE: "WHAT SHE MAKES": 5th August, 7:30pm***

***Koonung Heights Uniting Church***, Cnr of Belmore and Winfield Roads, Balwyn East. All of us buy clothing which directly connects us to Australia's \$23.5 billion fashion industry. **But do we think about: from where it has come? By whom and in what conditions it is made?**

Mostly it is produced overseas by women working in exploitative conditions which entrench their poverty. With minimal increased cost to consumers, Oxfam's *What She Makes* campaign is successfully pressing for the major Australian brands to take the action needed to ensure that garment workers making our clothing receive a living wage and work in safer and fairer conditions. **Jointly presented by Maningham and Koonung Heights Uniting Churches and Oxfam.** **Contact:** Ian 0438 118 995 or [iananderson@sandi.com.au](mailto:iananderson@sandi.com.au)

***Uniting Church Justice and International Mission CONFERENCE will be held on Saturday SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> 9am to 4pm, at the Centre for Theology and Ministry, 29 College Crescent, Parkville.***