

163 CONVERSATIONS: The next Conversations evening will be on Tuesday AUGUST 13TH. Anne Cowden will be the speaker. She will explore the principles of animal first aid and the practicalities of what to do if we find an animal in trouble. We will look at the law and animals and our rights and responsibilities regarding native animals. We will focus on the animals we are most likely to encounter in our Melbourne environment. Nibbles 6.15 followed by a light meal. RSVP Mary 0409 060 846

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	21 July	28 July	4 August	11 August
Worship Assistance	David Andrej	David Roma	David Mary	Robert H Wendy
Welcome at door	Roma	Wendy	Melissa	Roma
Flowers	Petra	Roma	Mary	Deb
Coffee	Roma	Wendy	Andrej/Petra	Mark/Ruth
Rubbish collection	Andrej	Roma	Randall	Andrej

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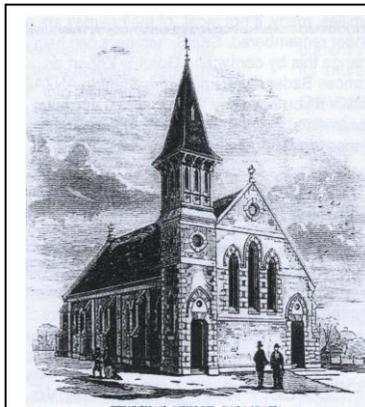
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As a community of faith, the St Kilda Uniting Church Parish Mission strives to do what is just, to show constant love and to walk humbly with God.

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**St Kilda Uniting Church
Parish Mission
NEWSLETTER
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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 – plus **LUNCH** if you are able to stay.

Bible Reading: Amos 8: 1 – 12 pg. 344 Luke 10: 38 – 42 pg. 686
The Inclusive Bible

From David: “Fly me to the Moon”: Date: 21 July 1969 – at 2:56 GMT



Photo of Buzz Aldrin’s boot print on the surface of the moon.

50 years ago today, Neil Armstrong became the first human being to step onto the surface of the moon.

It’s really hard to imagine what that must have felt like. Of course, lots of questions remain. Like: what was the point? But more positively, developments in science and technology that the whole project generated, have transformed society.

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Four things to emerge out of the landings were:

Water purification,
Breathing masks,
Polymer fabrics
Cordless devices.

But the thing that has always seemed to me to be the most significant aspect to space travel **was the televised experience of blowing away the theological concept of 'heaven and earth', of God above and earth below.**

What we were treated to was a mind-boggling panorama of endless space. A limitless Universe among Universes. Apollo 11 may have landed and the space program moved on, but Christian theology generally speaking, didn't really articulate or come to grips with what this revelation means for our faith. Hymns still express a pre-space encounter view: *Come down O love divine*, is a good example.

I don't have the answer, but I think about it a lot, and the questions suggest we might need to think again about where to 'locate G-d'. Or maybe talk about G-d breaking out of the world rather than into it. Or, G-d emerging from within. Perhaps the reason for this limited engagement, is that theologians around the world were still grappling with Bishop John Robinson's *Honest to God* controversy which was published just 6 years earlier.

Now, that was a significant 'boot print' on the surface of Christian thought.

Peace
David

HYMNS/SONGS:

NOTICES:

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

***NB. The DATE for the CHURCH CAMP** had to be changed (requested by the UC Merricks camp administration) The *CAMP* will now be held from **Friday 15th to Sunday 17 November.** Come for the whole weekend or part of it – whatever you can manage you would be most welcome. More information to come.

NOTICE BOARD.

Letter from the Moderator - Synod of Vic/Tas re voluntary assisted dying.

Response to Victorian Voluntary Assisted Dying Legislation.- unconfirmed minute from the recent 14th Synod Meeting.

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.**

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COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

The City of Port Phillip Citizens for Reconciliation invites you to a community conversation on **TREATY.** St Kilda Town Hall, Carlisle St.

Thursday 22 August , 6,30 to 8.30pm. Victoria is in the process of developing a Treaty with Aboriginal people and is the first state in Australia to enter into formal Treaty negotiations to recognise and celebrate the unique status, rights, cultures and histories of First Nations people. What is the Treaty process? What will a Treaty mean for you and why do we need one? What role can non-Aboriginal people play in supporting this important issue? Free event – refreshments provided. All welcome.

READING AND DISCUSSION

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

Please talk to David if you work like some reading material.

UNITING CHURCH JUSTICE AND INTERNATIONAL MISSION CONFERENCE will be held on Saturday SEPTEMBER 7th 9am to 4pm, at the Centre for Theology and Ministry, 29 College Crescent, Parkville.

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

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

Notice Board

Art Space at the Baptist Church is on this Monday 22nd July 9.30am – 12.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in this welcoming creative space.

ACU Melbourne is to host a screening of the film SUMMER IN THE FOREST, which focuses on the great Jean Vanier's work.

This is a documentary that tells the moving of Jean Vanier and of L'Arche, the international organization of which he is the founder. Vanier single-handedly revolutionised the way in which people with an intellectual disability are seen and cared for, by the simple act of inviting them out of institutions and into his home in the 1960s. The screening will take place **Thursday 25 July, 2:30pm** at ACU, Melbourne St Patrick's Campus, Cathedral Hall (Room 405.G.10). \$16.00 Admission + \$2.00 booking fee = \$18.00 <https://fan-force.com/screenings/summer-in-the-forest-australian-catholic-university/>.