



Last Wednesday for Homelessness Week there was quite a 'presence' inside and outside the church. Sara (picture) is one of the volunteers who packs bags of food from 'Second Bite' each Wednesday



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	11 August	18 August LUNCH	25 August	1 September
<i>Worship Assistance</i>	Robert H Wendy	Coralie Ling Randall	David P Melissa	David P Andrej
<i>Welcome at door</i>	Roma	Louise	Darren	Maureen
<i>Flowers</i>	Deb	Desleigh	Petra	Maureen
<i>Coffee</i>	Mark/Ruth	Louise	Darren	Roma
<i>Rubbish collection</i>	Andrej	Roma	Mary	Darren/ Melissa

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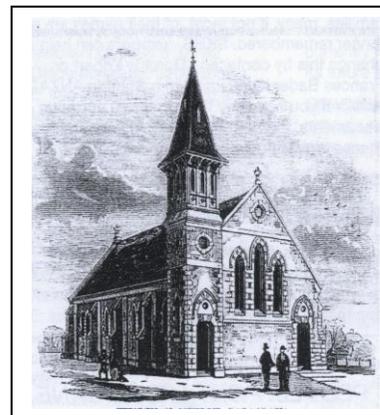
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VISION STATEMENT:

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
Contributions to the content are also welcomed.



**St Kilda Uniting Church
Parish Mission**

NEWSLETTER

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Sunday, 11 August 2019

You are most welcome to our service this morning. The Rev. Dr Robert Hoskin will lead our worship while David is on study leave. Please join us afterwards for tea/coffee and conversation

Bible Reading: Luke 10: 38 – 42 pg. 686 *The Inclusive Bible*

From Robert:

I went for a walk with my twenty-one-year old grandchild in Seawinds garden on Arthurs Seat near Dromana - he had noticed the clouds hovering over the hills and wanted to walk in the clouds. We drove to the park then set off for a dam about five kilometres away. Unfortunately, I didn't check the map so walked down the wrong path and by the time we walked back up the hill we felt tired, so went home for lunch.

This error reminded me of the importance of checking the map.

This will become doubly important in a week or so when the boat lands five Aboriginal men and me on a remote location in the Kimberley. Our task will be to walk up a relatively dry water-course to find where the first Presbyterian missionaries set up their houses and church at a place called Kunmunya. It is four to six kilometres into the wilderness, so we must be careful we go the right way.

We will clear a camp site for the community who will be flown in the next day, being particularly careful to avoid snakes.

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I have great respect for those first missionaries who included **Rev JRB Love**. They were prepared to venture into the unknown for the sake of the welfare of Aboriginal people under threat from Pastoralists and Police. At times missionaries get a bad rap, but JRB was prepared to affirm the Worrorra culture and learn from them as he shared his own insights.

Descendants of JRB as well as several people who lived at Kunmunya will meet up in this remote location to reflect on the past. Our venture will involve a two-day boat journey and six helicopter trips of two and a half hours to ferry 24 people into the Kimberley wilderness for this historic meeting. Who knows what we encounter and what will emerge from this history journey!

Robert

HYMNS/SONGS:

Thankful - tune TiS 162

(words David Pargeter 2018)

Thankful, for every bush and flower
Thankful, for every bird that flies.
Thankful, for every cloud that's sailing through the open skies.

Thankful, for every roll of thunder
Thankful, for every splash of rain
Thankful, for every tree that whispers 'Sing that song again'.

Thankful, that in the deep blue ocean

Dolphins and other angels swim
Thankful, for every fish that shimmers. Thanks for everything.

Thankful, for every living creature
Thankful, for bugs and kangaroos
Thankful, that in a world of sadness
We can find good news.

Thankful, for all of life's companions

Thankful, for all our pets and friends.

Thankful, for every gift of laughter
- heaven's great Amen

Thankful, with every breath that's taken

Thankful, for every life and mine.

Thankful, that in the darkest moments

Light will always shine

NOTICES:

Coralie Ling is leading studies on ***THE SPIRITUALITY OF RESISTANCE with reference to biblical and contemporary women.***

Tuesdays 1:30 -3pm:

August: 13th, 20th and 27th
at the **Kildara Centre** rear 41 Stanhope St Malvern, next to St Joseph's Church. \$10 per session.

NOTE: LUNCH together after church next Sunday. Bring something to share

The next 163 CONVERSATIONS is this 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.

Nibbles 6.15 followed by a light meal.
RSVP Mary 0409 060 846

FUNDRAISER FILM NIGHT: The Australian Dream: Wednesday AUGUST 21ST, 7pm, at the Classic Cinema in Elsternwick for Friends of Suai/Covalima (Timor Leste) ***With One Seed*** project (tree planting). Tickets are \$25 each. Check with Desleigh for more information. To buy tickets, please visit [:https://theaustdream.eventbrite.com.au](https://theaustdream.eventbrite.com.au)

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 AUGUST 22nd, 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. Free event – refreshments provided. All welcome.

READING AND DISCUSSION evening will be on Friday AUGUST 23 at 7.30pm at Mary and Brian's. Please talk to David if you work like some reading material.

THE PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIAN NETWORK of Vic. will hold their next meeting on **Sunday 25 August** from 3 – 5pm at Ewing Memorial Centre of Stonnington UC cnr Burke Rd and Coppin Sts Malvern East.
Speaker: Rev Dr Christopher Page
Contemporary Contemplation in a Progressive Voice.

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. ***TOPIC: A Climate for Change – Tomorrow's Moral Imperative Today.*** Cost: Metropolitan \$40. Concession and non- metro: \$30.

CALL to ACTION. UCA President Dr Deidre Palmer has urged all people of the Uniting Church to sign up to global action on Climate Change as Pacific nations have declared a "climate crisis". Meeting in Fiji, Pacific leaders warned of the grave consequences facing their people and joined the movement declaring a global climate emergency. She has asked that we sign up to take part in the ***GLOBAL CLIMATE STRIKE on Friday 20 September 2019.***
www.unitingworld.org.au/climatestrike