HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH

2 May, 2021

LEADING WORSHIP: Rev David Fotheringham



ZOOM - FOR ALL SERVICES
On a tablet or laptop computer:
Go to https://zoom.us/j/95468493260 and use the password 3199.
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Call (03) 7018 2005
The meeting ID is 954 6849 3260 #
Participant ID – just press #

WEBSITE: Reflections accessible in text format at https://www.frankstonuniting.org.au/

PRAYER TEAM: The Prayer Team can be contacted on 5971 2840 (Marlene) or email HSUCPrayer@googlegroups.com

OFFICE HOURS: The office is now open Tuesday – Fridays, 9am – 1pm. For all enquiries please email frankstonuc@gmail.com or call during office hours on 97833400.

OFFERINGS:

If you are not connected to regular direct debit, one-off or regular offerings can be made to the church by transfer to FRANKSTON UNITING CHURCH BSB 063 133 Account 00800128 Description OFFERING.

Alternatively, mail a cheque to the Treasurer, Keith Holmes 31 Lucerne Crescent, Frankston

Dear friends,

This week's gospel reading is from John 15, which begins with Jesus saying that he is the "true vine". It includes remarks about how vines need pruning (or cleansing – same word) in order to bear good fruit; and that we need to abide in the vine with him.

I don't know much about vines, but I know a bit about roses. Now that the weather's turning colder I'm started to get itchy about getting to the roses in my garden, because they could do with a good prune to help them to open up to flower their best next summer – otherwise there are too many branches that turn inwards and get tangled up and don't get enough light. I guess that similar principles apply to vines.

For us, "abiding in the vine", or abiding in the life of Christ, involves both being connected to a community that shares in prayer and Biblical teaching and service; and it involves recognising when there are elements in our lives that take us away from the light and get us tangled up with ourselves. Jesus' invites us to abide in him so that we may live in community well, that his joy may be in us and that our joy may be complete.

Peace and grace,

David



MAY FETE

We can confirm that 120 native shrubs have been purchased for the fete. We are still seeking donations of the following items: <u>Cakes & Slices, Mother's Day Hamper Raffle donations, Books & Plants</u>.

Delivery day for items is Friday 7th May.

Can you Help on the day? We are seeking volunteers, if you can help please contact Fete organiser Marg Scarlett on Ph. 0419 805 362 or email: pcs@cogroup.com.au

CHURCH AUDIO -

We're looking for some more volunteers to help with sound - managing the microphone volumes and connecting the camera on Sunday mornings. If you're able to help please speak to David, Alan Jenkins, or anyone else who works on the desk at the back of the church.

The may edition of the **High Street Times** is now availbale on the website or copies can be found in the foyer.

High Street Uniting Church
16-18 High St FRANKSTON
High Street Uniting Church, Worship Space



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