

Weekly News



High Street Uniting Church

We acknowledge the traditional custodianship of the
Bunurong people in this region

Week of 3rd November: The core of faith

Coming up

November:

Tues 5th: Melbourne Cup public holiday, office closed

Sun 10th: Armchair traveller fundraising event at 7:00pm

Tues 12th: C.O.G meeting at 7:30pm

Thurs 14th: Baxter Bible study group at 2:00pm

Tues 19th: Elders meeting at 1:30pm

Thurs 21st: Baxter Village Communion at 2:30pm

Fri 22nd: Material for HST December due

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Rev. Ross Writes...



The reading today from Mark (12:28 – 34) is quite remarkable, although you may not recognise its importance. It is one of the very few instances of Jesus answering a question directly. Most of the questions that people asked Jesus yielded responses that didn't look like answers. But this time, there was no argument, no parable, no question or comment to force the enquirer to think deeper.

He is asked about the first commandment, and he responds with the first commandment. Because this is so rare with the interactions of Jesus with disciples, religious officials, or seekers, scholars are bound to ask why. Was it because, after three trick questions in a row, Jesus had had enough? Was it because he sensed that this was a genuine enquiry and not a trick question? Or was it because this subject – not the first commandment of the ten, but the most important commandment – was also the most important part of his mission? This question mattered because it, and the answer, described the life he was living; the life he was demonstrating to all who would follow him. He showed his love for God by living a life devoted to God's will and his love for others through all his actions of healing, teaching, and including.

There is a power in questions. The power to seek information, the power to make people aware of their actions, and the power to trap people into revealing more than they may want to. But there is also a power in answers, particularly in discerning which questions are important to answer directly and clearly, which questions need clarification, and which questions are an invitation to more discussion. May we learn more from Jesus' handling of questions and not just the answers.

Presbytery Prayers

This week we ask you to join us in prayer for St Kilda South Port UC including Rev John Tansey, Rev Alex Sangster and Chair Jeff Castles.

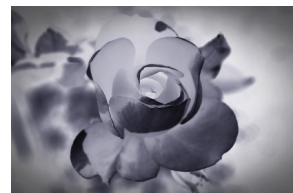


Vale Margaret Snyder

We are saddened to hear of the death of Margaret Snyder. We hold her family and friends in our hearts.

The funeral for Margaret will be held next **Thursday, 7th November**, at **1:30pm** at the **Baxter Chapel**.

Refreshments will be provided afterwards - everyone is invited.



SWISH Fundraiser for November

As a part of its "Local Matters" initiative, Grill'd Frankston is once again raising funds for our very own SWISH group! To participate, enjoy a burger at Grill'd and put your token in the "Frankston Vision Impaired Table Tennis Club" jar.



For more info, visit:
grilld.com.au/local-matters

Safe Church Training

The Port Phillip East Presbytery is holding safe training sessions on the days below.

Please register via the link for the corresponding day.
Please be aware that you need to hold current valid working with children check at the time of registration. Should you have any questions about the training, please contact Anne (secretary@ucappep.org) or Robin (pm-cd@ucappep.org).

For Zoom training 12 November at 7.00pm visit: <https://events.humanitix.com/safe-church-training-2024-nvr3n8q8?>

If you're not sure if you need to do to training or if your WWC is current, please contact Mandy Lake.

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL FUNDRAISER SUNDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 2024 5.00 – 7.30PM

We will 'travel' to North India
Explore JBKS Woman & Child Health Clinics Project
Enjoy a Light Meal (Bring a Plate of Food to Share)



Tickets: \$10

Framed Print to be Raffleed; Photo Cards for Sale
All takings go to JBKS and Women's Spirit Projects



Traditional Rosters

Sunday, 3rd November

Bible reader: John U.

Prayers of the People: Rona R.

Stewards: Rona R, Aubrey M.

Morning tea: Sue B, Alistair M.

Sunday, 10th November

Bible reader: Rona Russell

Prayers of the People: Marlene T.

Stewards: Daryl G. Jill C.

Morning tea: Heather R, Ali V.

Further details can be found on our website or on the noticeboard in the Church

More Information

Prayer team: Phone 5971 2840 (Marlene) or email HSUCPrayer@googlegroups.com

Offerings:

Account name: Frankston Uniting Church

BSB: 063 133

Account #: 00800128

Please use **OFFERING** as the description

OR

Mail Cheque to:

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Notices: Please send any items to frankstonuc@gmail.com by midday on Thursday.

HST: Please send material to johnannable@bigpond.com

Zoom/Phone Details

On a tablet or laptop computer

Go to:

<https://zoom.us/j/95468493260>

Password: 3199

(or go to <https://zoom.us/join> and use the meeting number below)

On a phone without video:

Call: (03) 7018 2005

Meeting ID: 954 6849 3260 #

Participant ID: #

Password: 3199 #