HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH 16 May, 2021

LEADING WORSHIP: Rev David Fotheringham



ZOOM - FOR ALL SERVICES On a tablet or laptop computer: Go to <u>https://zoom.us/j/95468493260</u> and use the password 3199. (or go to <u>https://zoom.us/join</u> and use the meeting number below)

> To join on a phone without video 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,

Today's Bible Reading continues the series from Jesus' "Farewell discourse" in John's gospel. From the beginning of John chapter 13 Jesus is preparing his disciples for his death on the cross, his resurrection and his ascension. It starts with Jesus washing his disciple's feet, turning the servant-master relationship on its head; and indeed, in last week's reading he changes that language altogether to call his disciples friends. He reinforces the commandment to love one another, and assures us that he asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit to be alongside us to help, prompt and teach us. He then prays for his disciples to know the same unity and love that he shares with God the Father. Today's reading is an extract from that: Jesus' prayer for us, as he prepares us for fruitful living as his friends, in his name.

Peace and grace, David

TODAY:

We will be joined during worship by Dr Alma Ram, from the JBK Society in India. Alma is retiring from her women's social enterprise work, which we and many others have been supporting.

NEXT WEEK: COMBINED SERVICE 10:00am

We are celebrating Pentecost Sunday with a **combined service at 10:00am** at the church, which will also be accessible through zoom and phones using the usual links. Sharing at a combined service recognises that we are all part of a bigger church and movement than we sometimes see in our own 'regular' congregations. Pentecost particularly celebrates that the Holy Spirit brings blessings and unity across cultures and backgrounds, and draws us into the mission of God.

SPECIAL SERVICE AT KARINGAL

There will be a special service at the church in Karingal to mark the conclusion of the Combined Uniting Church – Lutheran Church cooperation, which has been a blessing to all concerned over nearly 20 years. The service will be at 2pm on Sunday 6 June.

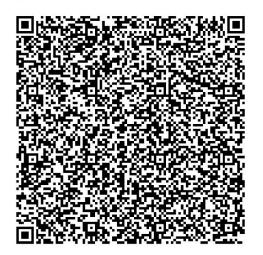
PRAYERS AROUND THE PRESBYTERY

This week we are encouraged to pray for the Korean Church of Melbourne congregation, with Rev Han Song & Rev Sam Joo; and the Leighmoor congregation with Rev Heeyoung Lim

Coming up This week:

Covid Safety Oversight Group Meeting - 10:30am Tuesday Elders Meeting - 1:30pm Tuesday COG Meeting: 7:00pm Tuesday Mission Guild: 1:30pm Thursday





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