



HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH

Sunday 25 November, 2018

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY *THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT*

EMBRACING ALL PEOPLE *WITH CHRIST'S COMPASSION*

CONNECTING YOUNGER GENERATIONS *IN GOD'S LOVE*



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FOR OUR PRAYERS:



Please pray for Please pray for David Russell, Audrey La Brooy, Eric McNally, Gwen Taylor, Naomi Briggs, Fiona Jones and James Mathews.

Following the calendar of prayers for congregations and ministries around the Presbytery, today we pray for The Synod of Victoria and Tasmania: and
Rev Sharon Hollis (Moderator), Rev Dr Mark Lawrence (General Secretary), Ms Isabel Thomas Dobson (Associate General Secretary), Rev Denise Liersch (Moderator Elect)

Prayer requests can be emailed to HSUCprayer@googlegroups.com, or phone Marlene on 9781 5351. Requests will be circulated to a small group on the prayer chain, and treated confidentially.

Combined lunch

Members of the Church Council, Elders and Contemporary Oversight Group and their partners are invited to a simple “bring a plate” lunch on 9 December at 12:15pm, as a Christmas thank you. It will also allow for some reflection and evaluation as we begin to look forward to our worship and witness in 2019.

BEL CANTO CHOIR

presents “Christmas Readings and Carols”

Sunday 2nd December @ 2:30pm

The Village Uniting Church

93 Canadian Bay Road, Mount Eliza

Admission: \$25 Adult/\$20 Concession (Seniors, Students)

Primary School Students no charge

Tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/328289> or

phone: 9787 5383

www.thebelcantochoirmteliza.wordpress.com

VOICES OF FRANKSTON – THANK YOU CONCERT

On Sunday 9 December, *between the 9:00 and 10:40 services*, the Voices of Frankston choir are giving a special performance as a “thank you” to High Street Uniting Church for all of our sponsorship and support. They will be singing in the hall over morning tea. If you are a member of the 9:00 congregation, plan to stay a little late; if you are a member of the 10:40 congregation, plan to come early, and enjoy the thanks of this wonderful choir!

ANIMAL BLESSING – TODAY!

During the Contemporary Service we are celebrating a blessing of the animals! If you don't have a pet and would like to bring a stuffed toy, for which we can also give thanks, do so by all means; or bring a photo of your animal if they can't come on the day.

Advent Devotions

Emmanuel: God is with us. Ann Siddall has written a series of short daily reflections for the four weeks of Advent. Each week there are reflections for each of five days, plus some questions for the weekend to "gather the threads" of the week's experience. There will be small group reflections on Wednesday 5 December and Wednesday 19 December, at 10:00 in the church.

Books are supposed to have arrived this week, but haven't at the time of writing. If they arrive on Friday they will be available on Sunday morning.

- David Fotheringham

U3A Frankston

Choir

End of Year

Concert

Thursday Dec 6th
10am-12noon,
including morning
tea.

@ HSUC - no
bookings needed.
Donations taken at
the door.

Happy 80th
Birthday to

RON CAROLUS!!!!

We all hope you have
a great day!



you're invited to the

Garden Party

Hosted by LEGS

Sunday 2nd December
2:00PM TO 4:00
POOLES PLACE IN STOTTS LANE
Tea, coffee and scones with jam and cream
COST: \$10
LIVE MUSIC, GARDEN WANDERING, RAFFLES
TICKETS ON SALE IN THE CHURCH FOYER
BETWEEN SERVICES.
ALL PROCEEDS TO FRONTIER SERVICES



Traditional worship
25 November 2018, 9:00am

Gathering with praise

Introit: **I, the Lord of Sea and Sky** (TiS 658 v.1)

Call to worship

We sing: **Father, all loving** (TiS 160)

Prayer

Passing the peace

Listening for God's word

Bible reading: **Jeremiah 1:4-10; 7:1-11**

We sing: **Loving Spirit** (TiS 417)

Bible reading: **Matthew 21: 12-14**

Sermon

Responding in sharing

We sing: **Put all your trust in God** (TiS 555)

While we sing, the offering will be received

Dedication of the offering

Sharing in prayer

Prayers of the people

Prayers for healing

Anthem: **You were in this place**

Going out with blessing

Notices

We sing: **Brother, sister, let me serve you** (TiS 650)

Blessing

We sing: **The Summons (last verse)**

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

25th NOVEMBER 2018

GATHER

Song

We Sing Praise and Thanksgiving (TIS 107)

Call to worship

Passing the Peace

Song

All Things Bright and Beautiful (TIS 135)
While singing we have Grand Parade of animals present.

LISTEN

Draw a favourite animal you would like to say Thank You for
Pin up drawings or photos brought along on to board. List animals.

Song

He's Got The Whole World in His Hands
using list from above to make verses

Prayer

Bible Readings

Psalm 148 (alt);
Revelation 4:1-6; 5:1-14 (*emphasising verse 13*)

Reflection

RESPOND

Blessing of Animals

Offering Song **The Butterfly Song** (ATN)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers for Others & Ourselves

GO

Blessing

Song

The Trees of the Field (ATA NCYC87)

This Week's Diary...

SUNDAY 25	9:00am Traditional Worship 10:40am Contemporary Worship 3:30pm Power Youth Group, Art Attack 5:00pm Open Café Conversation Group Larder Appeal: Block of Cheese
Monday 26	8:30am Larder 4:00pm Showbiz Singers
Tuesday 27	8:30am Walkie Talkies, The roundabout Mt Eliza
Wednesday 28	10:30am Voices of Frankston, Church & Hall 12:00pm Community BBQ, Front Verandah 3:30am Church Choir Practice, Church
THrusdsay 29	8:30am Walkie Talkies, Tyabb, car park behind the shops
Friday 30	9:15am HSUC Playgroup, Back Hall
SUNDAY 2 DECEMBER	9:00am Traditional Worship 10:40am Contemporary Worship 2:00PM LEGS GARDEN PARTY

ROSTERS FOR WORSHIP

November 25, 2018

Bible Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10; 7:1-11 (Mt 21:12-13)

Traditional

Elders: Rona Russell, Dawn Peacock

Steward: Maureen Beems, Roy Giesemann

Morning Tea: Dorothy Bucher, Vilma Labrooy, Michael & Jen Johnson

Data Projector: Tawanda

Bible Reading: Bev Fowler

Flowers: Fay Loader

Contemporary

Steward: Marilyn

Welcomer: Lindy

Hospitality: Barb & Santhira

December 2, 2018

Bible Reading:

Traditional

Elders: Jill Cayzer, Mac Cleland

Steward: Maureen Beems, Roy Giesemann

Morning Tea: Graeme & Jenny Horsburgh, Carol Calderbank, Sue Baker

Data Projector: Karin

Bible Reading: Bronwen Mathews

Flowers: Fay Loader

Contemporary

Steward: Marilyn

Welcomer: Lindy

Hospitality: Gill & Santhira

“I, the Lord of sea and sky...”

The introit at 9am is going to begin with the words “I, the Lord of sea and sky...”. Thus the day begins with an acknowledgement of the majesty of God, in whom all of creation has its being.

Within that creation, at 9am we will be reflecting further on another of the Hebrew prophets, Jeremiah. Through Jeremiah, God again reminds the people of the priority of caring for the vulnerable in God’s creation. Jeremiah addresses people who think that because they have this huge, solid, stone temple, all is well and God is with them, as unchanging as the temple of stone. But that’s not the half of it! God is a living God, who cares for creation and for all people within it; and even if the temple didn’t last forever (it didn’t!), that would not mean an end to God, or to God’s love, and God’s promise of hope in new and living ways.

On a day when we are celebrating a Blessing of the Animals, there’s an equivalence to the idea that just because there is a huge, long-lived Great Barrier Reef, all is well and God is as unchanging as the Reef. But without care for creation, even the Reef may not last forever. The loss of the Reef would not mean an end to God, or to God’s love, and God’s promise of hope in new and living ways – but how could we allow such a loss in the creation that God loves?

In the Animal Blessing service we will have a reading from Revelation 4 and 5, in which there is an apocalyptic vision of God enthroned; of Jesus “the lamb that was slain” being given God’s authority and power; and of ***every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea... singing praise to God.***

All have a place in God’s praise, including the most vulnerable, which brings us back to Jeremiah’s call: learn God’s care for justice for the vulnerable, and care for them too, with hearts aligned with that of God, the Lord of Sea and Sky...

God’s peace, David