

HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH

Sunday 4th August 2019

Traditional Worship - 9:00am

Contemporary Worship - 10:40am

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:

Following the calendar of prayers for congregations and ministries around the Presbytery, today we pray for Officer - Pakenham Mission Area (Pakenham and Officer congregations); Samoan congregation at Keysborough and Rev Ann Simons, Pastor Jo Crisp, Community Development Worker Riak Gordon Kiir; Without Minister.

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

High Street Times publishes a regular list of people whom we especially keep in our prayers. There will be opportunities for particular prayer concerns to be shared on Sunday mornings in worship.



Subscribers of With Love to the World—Bible Study please collect the latest issue from the foyer. Extra copies are available from the office for \$5.00 each.







Community & Communion Sunday

CHURCH CAMP



NOVEMBER 22-24

Dig our your sleeping bags, because we are planning for a fun time at Merricks!!! The camp will be from the evening of Friday 22 to Sunday 24 November.

As we begin preparations, it would be very helpful if all who are hopeful of going could **put your names on the list in the foyer.** We haven't worked out prices yet, but we are expecting to be able to offer well subsidised places. If you could write on the same list in the foyer something that you could contribute towards the camp and its organisation, that would be great!



The After Somers Party!!

August 11, 2019, 5pm to 7pm

High Street Uniting Church,

Traditional worship 4 August 2019, 9:00am

Welcome

Introit: Seek ye first the kingdom of God (TiS 745 v. 1)

Call to worship

We sing: God of creation

Prayers of adoration

Bible reading: Colossians 3: 1-11

Prayer of confession

Declaration of forgiveness

Anthem: Break thou the bread of life

Bible reading: Luke 12: 13-21

Sermon

Offering song: All my hope on God is founded (TiS 560)

Dedication of the offering

Notices and Sharing

Prayers of the people

Invitation to Holy Communion (Psalm 107)

Passing the peace

We sing: Lift up your hearts unto the Lord (TiS 732)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing Holy Communion

Prayer after communion

We sing: Take my life and let it be (TiS 599)

Blessing

We sing: May the feet of God walk with you (TiS 779)

Contemporary Worship 4 August 2019, 10:40am

Gathering songs: Meekness and majesty

How then shall I live

Welcome and acknowledgment of country

Notices

Passing the peace

Call to worship

Song Wellsprings

Prayer

Bible reading Luke 12: 13-21

Hearing the story

Prayer of confession

Assurance of grace

Song Freely, freely

Sermon

Offering song Make me a channel of your peace

Prayers for others

Invitation to Holy Communion

Song: Come to the banquet

Prayer of thanksgiving

Sharing Holy Communion

Song Backroads

Blessing



SMALL GROUP

There is a new small group, meeting fortnightly on Thursday nights at Arthur and Ruth Poole's home, for nurturing and exploring faith together. The next small group meeting will this week, 8 August, at 7:30pm. It may be that the group is big enough to split into two groups for better conversation and care together, perhaps with another group meeting on a different night. If the numbers reach about 12, this will be discussed on Thursday night.

CONTACT AND REQUEST CARDS

There are "Contact and Request" cards available in the pews and by the front door. If you are new to the church and would like to be included in particular ways, or if you have a comment, a question or a prayer request, please feel free to fill in one of the cards and hand it to a steward or place it in the offering bowl. This helps us to offer care and welcome for you.



This Week's Diary....

MONDAY 5 - OPERATION LARDER - 8:30AM

BAND PRACTICE - Church - 8:00pm

LEGS - Blue Room - 7:30pm

TUESDAY 6 - WALKIE TALKIES - Tyabb Carpark behind the shops - 8:30am

TUESDAY COMMUNION - Church & Hall - 11:30am RETIRED MINISTERS LUNCH - Foyer - 12:30PM

WEDNESDAY 7 - VOICES OF FRANKSTON CHOIR - Church & Hall - 9:30am

COMMUNITY BBQ - Front verandah - 11:30am

CHURCH CHOIR PRACTIVE - Church - 3:30pm

THURSDAY 8 - WALKIE TALKIES - Dame Elizabeth Arboretum - 8:30am

AMITIE CRAFT GROUP - Church Foyer - 2:00pm

FRIDAY 9 - PLAY GROUP - Back Hall & Green Room - 9:15am

QUIET PRAYER - Chapel - 10:00am

SATURDAY 10 - CADENCE CONCERT - Church - 2:00pm

SUNDAY 11 - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - 9am

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP - 10:40AM

EMPOWER YOUTH GROUP - AFTER SOMERS CATCH UP - 3:00PM

August 4, 2019

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9AM

Elders: Rona Russell, Fiona Jones

Steward: Cheryl Wilson, Marilyn Sheerin

Morning Tea: Margaret & Virgil Snyder, Brian Golby, Heather Rawson

Data Projector: Karin

Bible Reading: Dawn Peacock

Flowers: Edna Reeves

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 10:40AM

Steward: Santhira **Welcomer:** Marilyn **Hospitality:** Gill & Joy

August 11, 2019

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9AM

Elders: Rona Russell, Fiona Jones

Steward: Cheryl Wilson, Marilyn Sheerin

Morning Tea: Jess Williams, Denise Andrews, Pat Johnson, Barb Trewartha

Data Projector: Diana

Bible Reading: Erica Hutchinson

Flowers: Edna Reeves

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 10:40AM

Steward: Howard **Welcomer:** Andi **Hospitality:** Lindy & Barb

OPEN CAFÉ

After a long break, the "Open" conversation group meets again tonight at 5pm.

Rich towards God

Today Jesus refuses to buy into a dispute about how brothers should share an inheritance, instead telling a story about the foolishness of striving after riches and possessions. In the stories that immediately follow he goes on to talk about how God knows our needs, and that we should not be afraid to trust God and to strive instead for the treasures of God's kingdom (which God is pleased to give).

I am reminded by the story of Martha and Mary that we heard a fortnight ago. In that story, Martha was distracted by the things that needed be done and by her activity – she asked Jesus "tell Mary to help me", a bit like the person in the crowd today asked Jesus to "tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me". In both cases, Jesus invited them to look at the bigger picture of God's kingdom.

There are perhaps three main ways in which people can be preoccupied and distracted: getting caught up in activity and things to be done; gathering possessions and worrying about security; or focussing on belonging and being accepted and loved.

Jesus assures us that God loves us: "Even the hairs of your head are all counted. Do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows" (Luke 12:7). He encourages us to trust God: "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32).

In the story that Jesus tells, the man who was looking to store up treasures for himself is described as a fool. Jesus suggests that in the bigger picture it is more important to be "rich towards God."

What does it mean to you to be "rich towards God"?

God's peace, David