



HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH

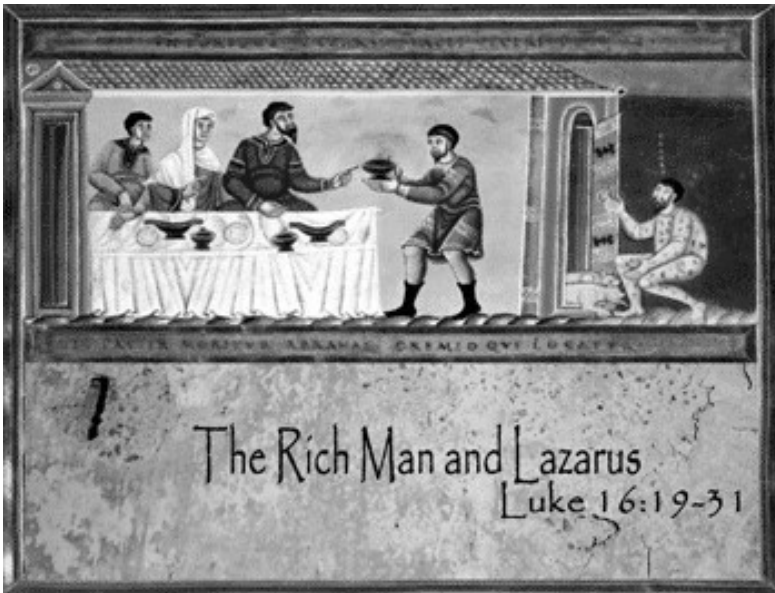
Sunday 29 September, 2019

Traditional Worship - 9:00am

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 South Port Uniting Church Parish Mission: Paul the Apostle and Port Melbourne congregations & Uniting-South Port and Rev Hoon You; Mr Chris Milne, Manager.

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.

DAVID'S LEAVE

David will be on 5 weeks of leave (26 August until the end of September). During that time, Arthur Poole will be the contact person in case of urgent pastoral need.

COLLECTION OF ITEMS

Thank you to all the ladies who helped these last few weeks with catering for the funerals held here at HSUC. We have lots of left over platters and containers that will need to be collected as soon as possible please. Thanks

Wednesday Night Cell Group: Continues this week on Wednesday night (2nd October) at Kay and Murray's home at 5 Marrilac Court at 8pm. We will be commencing a new study, "**Showing Mercy**". For further details, and a study handout, see Keith Holmes (9789 2575).

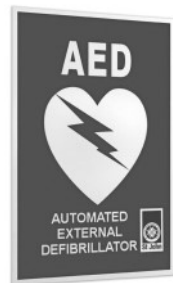
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DEFIBRILATOR FUND

HELP US RAISE MONEY
FOR A LIFE-SAVING
DEFIBRILATOR



Defibrillator Fund: The balance currently stands at \$706.15.
Envelopes can be placed in the offering or left at the office.



We are looking to purchase a defibrillator for the church, to be on hand for treatment of people with heart problems, for all who use and spend time in our buildings. If you would be willing and able to contribute to the cost of this, your donation would be greatly appreciated, please contact Jacqui in the church office.

DONATION ENVELOPES CAN BE FOUND IN THE PEWS

OR DONATE ONLINE AT OUR GO FUND ME PAGE:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/high-street-uniting-defibrillator-fund>

29 September, 2019 Traditional Worship 9am

Welcome

Introit: *Sing, all creation TiS 61 v 1&4*

We Sing *Praise the God who changes places TiS 178*

We share the peace

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession

Bible Reading: Jeremiah 32:1-6a, 6-15

The Anthem *On eagles wings*

Bible Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:19-31

We sing: *Christ is the world's light TiS 223*

Sermon

Announcements and sharing our blessings

We make our offering and sing:
Creator Spirit, heal this land' Tune TiS 138

Prayers of the people & The Lord's Prayer

We sing: *The lord is my shepherd TiS 659*

Word of blessing

We Sing: *Shalom to you now TiS 778*

This Week's Diary...

MONDAY 30 - OPERATION LARDER - 8:30AM

BAND PRACTICE - Church - 8:00pm

TUESDAY 1 - WALKIE TALKIES - Ballam Park, Cranbourne Road - 8:30pm

TUESDAY COMMUNION LUNCHEON - 11:30am

WEDNESDAY 2 - COMMUNITY BBQ - Front verandah - 11:30am

THURSDAY 3 - WALKIE TALKIES - The Power Centre, Cranbourne Road - 8:30am

FRIDAY 4 - QUIET PRAYER - Chapel - 10:00am

COMMUNION & COMMUNITY SUNDAY - Focus: Tom Sutherland

SUNDAY 6 - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - 9am

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP - 10:40AM

OPEN CAFE - Foyer - 5:00pm

September 29, 2019

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9AM

Elders: Bev Fowler, Daryl Groves

Steward: Daryl Groves, Shirley Groves

Morning Tea: Kay Burdett, Julie Lincoln, Fay Loader, Jess Williams

Data Projector: Tawanda

Bible Reading: Marlene Thresher

Flowers: Gill Jenkins

NO CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

October 6, 2019

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9AM

Elders: Dorothy Bucher, Stanley Zhungu

Steward: Roy Giesemann, Maureen Beens

Morning Tea: Margaret & Virgil Snyder, Edna Runciman, Barbara Trewartha

Data Projector: Karin

Bible Reading: Julie Lincoln

Flowers: Gill Jenkins

Contemporary Worship 10:40am

Steward: Howard

Welcomer: Andi

Hospitality: Gill & Valmai

The Back Page

One day we will have to face up to the truth about ourselves. The ancient world imagined what happened to people when they died. Then their true reward would come. Such thinking inspired visions of the place of the rewarded and the place of the condemned, variously described as heaven and hell, and here as 'Abraham's bosom' and Hades.

Our story assumes that judgement takes place, effectively, at death. Elsewhere in the New Testament other writers assume a judgement day. After death people sleep until the great day of the Lord, Jesus appears, the dead are raised and all face judgement. Then comes the transformation, the new creation.

What has all this got to do with interpreting the parable? Professor Bill Loader believes that we are dealing with a version of a folklore story which reflects a popular view of the afterlife which focused on the individual's fate.

The rich man is not portrayed as an overt evil-doer. His crime is his self-preoccupation with which he prevented himself from caring about others as he cared for himself. The man is very rich and privileged. The poor man is named, Lazarus. The name means: 'God has helped' - no one else was going to! The image is one of abject poverty and humiliation. He goes to 'Abraham's bosom'. The rich man is to be punished forever amid the flames.

The rich man asks Abraham to get Lazarus to help him. What a reversal! Give him credit, the rich man then recovers some concern for others, but limited to his own brothers!

This parable targets the violence of apathy and neglect which is widening the chasm between rich and poor. We need some first-hand experience of encountering the real people whom we will then not be able to dismiss as relative statistics. And if that cannot be first hand, we need to help people engage in active imagination of what it really means to be poor, to be a refugee, to be caught on the wrong side of the chasms which vested interests maintain.

There are many people and the issues that affect them which daily stare us in the face. We cannot be effective in every different circumstance. But we must choose one or two or three and put some real effort in. In that way we follow Jesus and can face up to the truth about ourselves.

Ian Cayzer

