

# HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH



8 MARCH, 2020 - LENT 2

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - 9AM

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP - 10:40AM



Welcome!

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**Preaching today:** Rev David Fotheringham

CONNECTING YOUNGER GENERATIONS **IN GOD'S LOVE**  
EMBRACING ALL PEOPLE **WITH CHRIST'S COMPASSION**  
STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY **THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT**



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## PRAYER REQUESTS

Following the calendar of prayers for congregations and ministries around the Presbytery, today we pray for Dandenong congregations: Dandenong Trinity, Dandenong Fijian and Rev Berlin Guerrero.

Prayer requests can be placed on the Prayer Tree in the foyer, emailed to [HSUCprayer@googlegroups.com](mailto:HSUCprayer@googlegroups.com), or phoned to Marlene on 97815351. Requests will be circulated to a small group of 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 morning in worship.

**8 March 2020**

## Duty Roster

**15 March 2020**

### TRADITIONAL

**Elders:** Dorothy Bucher, Jen Johnson  
**Stewards:** Daryl Groves, Shirley Groves  
**Morning Tea:** Erica Hutchinson, B McKenzie, Alistair Munro, Maureen Beens  
**Data Projector:** Diana  
**Bible Reader:** Mac Cleland  
**Flowers:** Gill Jenkins

### CONTEMPORARY

**Welcomer:** Kate **Steward:** Patti  
**Hospitality:** Joy & Irene

### TRADITIONAL

**Elders:** Dorothy Bucher, Jen Johnson  
**Stewards:** Roy Gieseman, Maureen Beens  
**Morning Tea:** Fay Loader, Brian Golby, Stanley & Viola Zhungu  
**Data Projector:** Murray  
**Bible Reader:** Edith Seller  
**Flowers:** Barb Trewartha

### CONTEMPORARY

**Welcomer:** Jackie **Steward:** Marilyn  
**Hospitality:** Joy & Barb

## FRONTIER SERVICES NEWS

Frontier Services' first quarterly publication for 2020 is out now. This edition features a gripping account by Bush Chaplain Rev Rowena Harris of being trapped in Mallacoota by the bushfires. Also a feature on Pastor Julia Lennon, the first ever female Aboriginal Bush Chaplain, who's working to bring First and Second Peoples together in Oodnadatta. You can download the latest edition at [frontierservices.org](http://frontierservices.org). (There's a link on our website under NEWS).

### SHARED LUNCH

The next Shared Lunch will be will be at Vilma LaBrooy's on 21st March (Saturday) at 12pm, 12 Darvell Lane, Mount Eliza, Tel: 9787 6593 to let Vilma know if you are attending and what you would bring



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[www.ticketebo.com.au/timorlestefundraiser](http://www.ticketebo.com.au/timorlestefundraiser)

# **Traditional worship**

## **3 March 2020, 9:00am**

Welcome and lighting the candle

Introit: **Lift high the cross** (TiS 351 vv. 1,4,5)

Call to worship

We sing: **From heaven you came** (TiS 256)

Prayers of adoration

Early Word

The choir sings: **Trust In Jesus**

Bible reading: Mark 10: 32-34

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 109: 26-31

Bible reading: Mark 10: 35-45

Prayer of confession

Declaration of forgiveness

Bible reading: Mark 10: 46-52

Passing the peace

We sing: **O for a thousand tongues to sing** (TiS 210)

Sermon

Offering song: **Brother, sister, let me serve you** (TiS 650)

Dedication of the offering

Notices and sharing

We sing: **O Christ the healer we have come** (TiS 638)

Prayers of the people

The Lord's Prayer

Song: **Seek ye first the kingdom of God** (TiS 745 vv. 1,2)

Blessing

Song: **Shalom to you now** (TiS 778)

# Contemporary Worship

## 3 March 2020, 10:40am

Lent 2: Lent....A time of preparation for the celebration of Easter  
We are invited to take time to examine our lives and our living.  
We are challenged to open ourselves in new ways to the Spirit's transforming power.

**OPENING SONGS:**      *Great is your faithfulness* (TIS 154)  
                                 *Brother sister let me serve you* (TIS 650)

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

### **PRAYER**

**SONG:**                      *Open the Eyes of my Heart Lord*

### **TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**SONG:**                      *Blind man sits by the road*

**BIBLE READING:**      Mark 10: 32 - 52

**SONG:**                      *What a friend we have in Jesus* (Tune: Carnival is Over)

### **MESSAGE**

**OFFERING SONG:**      *Refresh my heart* (TIS 744)

### **PRAYERS FOR OTHERS**

### **HOLY COMMUNION**

**SONG:**                      *Jesus remember me* (TIS 730)

### **BENEDICTION**

## **ELECTIONS FOR ELDERS AND CHURCH COUNCIL**

The following people will be in the election for Elders and Church Council, which will be held at the church AGM next Sunday:

### **ELDERS:**

Erica Hutchinson (5 year term)  
Arthur Poole (5 year term)  
Stanley Zhungu (5 year term)

### **CHURCH COUNCIL:**

John Annable (3 year term)  
John Coulson (3 year term)  
Michael Guest (3 year term)  
Karin Jooste (3 year term)  
Meg Ryan (3 year term)

**CORRECTION:** Our apologies for having included Fiona Jones on the list of Elders in the newssheet for the last two weeks; Fiona had resigned earlier in the year, though she continues to contribute to the life of the church in other ways.

## **CONTEMPORARY OVERSIGHT GROUP**

Congratulations to the newly elected members of the Contemporary Oversight Group (COG): Jackie Annable, Barb Conner, Michael Downing, Trent Kennedy, Tim Lake, Kerry Pederick, Tom Richardson, Meg Ryan, Marg Scarlett and Patti Scully. This will be a “new era” for COG, with Mike Guest having resigned from the chairing role that he has so ably and faithfully fulfilled for many years, reflecting his deep care for the Contemporary Congregation. Thank you, Mike!

## **AGM NEXT WEEK**

The Congregational AGM will be held on Sunday 15 March at 10am between the two services. The complete set of reports are available in printed form in the foyer, or online at our website [frankstonuniting.org.au](http://frankstonuniting.org.au) under the Resources tab.

## **MORNING TEA FOR LARDER**

The first Sunday in April is scheduled for a baked good sale to raise funds for Larder. **Would someone like to volunteer to coordinate this, as a contribution to this cause?**

# Diary

- MONDAY 9** OPERATION LARDER - 8:30AM  
BAND PRACTICE - Church - 8:00pm
- TUESDAY 10** WALKIE TALKIES - Post Office Karingal for the rail trail - 8:30am
- WEDNESDAY 11** LENTEN STUDIES - Chapel - 10am  
VOICES OF FRANKSTON CHOIR - 9:30am  
COMMUNITY BBQ - Front verandah - 11:30am  
CHURCH CHOIR - Church - 3:30pm
- THURSDAY 12** WALKIE TALKIES - Seaford Life Saving Club - 8:30am  
AMITIE CRAFT GROUP - Foyer - 2pm
- FRIDAY 13** PLAYGROUP - Back Hall & Green Room - 9:15am
- SUNDAY 15** TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - 9am  
CONGREGATIONAL AGM - Between services - 10AM  
CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP - 10:40AM

**Wednesday Night Cell Group:** Continues this Wednesday (11<sup>th</sup> March) at Kay and Murray's home at 5 Marrilac Court at 8pm.

We will be looking at the third session in our Lenten study, "**With you Always**" by Rev. Robert Bos. For further details, see Keith Holmes (9789 2575)

## WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Please note that all elected Elders, members of COG and members of Church Council (among others) will need Working with Children Checks, and will need to do Safe Church training if they have not done so already.

## PANCAKE SUNDAY

Thank you to everyone who supported the Pancake SHARE APPEAL last Sunday. We raised a total of \$193!!

A special thank you goes to Gill & Alan Jenkins for making this possible.

## LENTEN STUDIES

There will be a Wednesday morning Lenten Study group, meeting at the church between 10:00 and 11:30 on Wednesday mornings starting on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March.

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## PASSING THE PEACE with CLEAN HANDS

We have a very strong tradition of greeting each other, with a greeting of Christ's peace, as a part of both contemporary and traditional worship. And so we should! It's right to celebrate that in Christ we are one, and we are called to acknowledge, care for, and bless one another.

The way that we express that is, of course, entirely a product of our cultural tradition. In Maori culture people hold their noses together to share the same air; in European cultures kisses on the cheek are more common. I'm not at all sure what the variety of practices in Jesus' time might have been (although Paul mentions greeting each other with a brotherly kiss, in common English translation).

At the moment, there is anxiety around the community about the transmission of the coronavirus COVID-19. A very simple way of helping to reduce the possible transmission of any virus, and certainly to reduce anxiety about it, is to try a new tradition for this greeting for a while.

So let's try passing the peace with our own hands held together, prayer style, in front of our chests with our fingers pointing upwards, like the image on the front of the newssheet, with a slight bow of the head. This is similar to the customary Indian greeting of "Namaste", which means "I bow to you", though the posture may not be completely the same. We will still use our standard greeting of "Peace be with you" or "The peace of the LORD be with you", with the response "And also with you."

I will probably still shake a hand that is extended to me, but worship may offer us a good opportunity to practice greeting with less hand-touching, so that we can meet together in worship without anxiety, sharing Christ's peace.

David

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