

# **HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH NEWS – Web Version**

## **8 May 2020**

Dear Friends,

As we approach Mothers' Day, I have been thinking about my mother, Florence Elizabeth Mathews. She was 94 when she died 16 years ago. She was a remarkable woman; a woman of faith, a home-maker, a hostess, a care-giver. It is interesting that my brother, sister and I all took on work in caring occupations: a doctor, a nurse, and a minister. A song I've been listening to this week says, "How do I thank you Mum for everything that you've done; and the life you've given unto me?" My heart warms....

Relationships are important to us. The energy many of us are putting in to maintain connection with family and friends in these days of social isolation indicate their life-giving nature. In our reading from Acts 18, Paul is able to offer ministry in Corinth because he is living with and supported by his friends, Aquila and Priscilla.

We will explore this as we gather for worship: reminding ourselves that God meets us in the relationships of our lives - giving us hope at all times.

Shalom, Alan Mathews

### **ELDERS AND COG**

The Elders will meet on Tuesday at 1:00pm, using the same gathering details as for the Traditional service. The Contemporary Oversight Group will meet on Tuesday at 7:30pm, using the same gathering details as for the Contemporary service.

### **WORSHIP THIS WEEK**

The services will be on at the usual times this week, with Rev Alan Mathews preaching. David has been at a continuing education course on the Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry. Though not preaching, he will still be leading and participating in Sunday worship this week.

### **HIGH STREET TIMES**

For those who normally receive High Street Times in printed form, hopefully your copy has arrived by now. The latest edition is now available on the website, [www.frankstonuniting.org.au](http://www.frankstonuniting.org.au), under the NEWS tab.

### **MULTI-FAITH CLIMATE STRIKE SERVICE**

On Friday May 15 there is a nationwide Climate Strike being led online by school students. At 10am the Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC) is organising a multi-faith online service in support. Uniting Church President Dr Deirdre Palmer will be one of the people helping to lead it. You can join it in three ways:

1. Zoom (best option) – use the link <https://zoom.us/j/93368937522> or phone (03) 7018 2005 and use Meeting ID **933 6393 7522**
2. Watch live on the ARRCC Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ARRCC/>
2. Watch live of the ARRCC YouTube channel

## PERSONAL COLUMN

Bill McNeilly's wife Pam, who had been a resident at Somercare for about 3 years, passed away last week following a very long illness. Bill and Pam had been married at St Andrews over 50 years ago. Bill had returned to worshipping with us for a while a couple of years ago, but now lives in the Lifestyle Bittern Retirement Village.

## 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, keep a bowl for your offerings at home, or mail a cheque to the church office, 16-18 High Street, Frankston 3199.

## WORSHIP LINKS (the same every week)

### TRADITIONAL (9:00am)

Phone **(03) 7018 2005**; Meeting ID **616 254 006**; Participant ID (none – just press #); Password **3199**.

If you want to join using a video link that is also possible by going to <https://zoom.us/j/616254006> but the focus will be on people linking by phone.

### CONTEMPORARY (children from 10:25, main worship from 10:40)

<https://zoom.us/j/556610676>

or phone **(03) 7018 2005**; Meeting ID **556 610 676**; Password **3199**.

### WEBSITE:

Reflections accessible in text format from Sunday afternoons.

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