

HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH NEWS

12 June 2020

Dear Friends,

Sadly, this week Ray Allnutt has passed away, held in the everlasting arms of God. He has been a wonderful friend and inspiration to many; please pray for all who mourn. Unfortunately we are limited in how many can be allowed at a funeral at the moment, so please see details below for how you can “be present” for his funeral through the video-streaming service.

On Sunday we are going to start moving back to the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL) for our weekly Bible Readings. This gives us a greater range of stories and teaching to engage with, as the RCL offers 4 readings from different parts of the Bible each week; and it also means that the Contemporary Worship leaders can draw from the Spill the Beans resources, which now follows the RCL.

Please pray for all of the school kids adapting to school life again; for those impacted by the virus and by the economic shock; and for wisdom and care in the weeks and months ahead.

God’s peace, David

FUNERAL FOR RAY ALLNUTT

The funeral for Ray Allnutt will be held on **Friday 19 June at 12:00pm**, after a private cremation service. As numbers are limited, it is necessary to restrict attendance at the church to those who are directly invited. For everyone who would like to “be present” for the service but cannot attend, the service will be “live-streamed” by Belinda Jane Videos at

<https://www.belindajanevideo.com/client-video/ray-allnutt/>

If you go to that webpage from 11:45am onwards, the funeral can be viewed directly there; there is no need to click on “Watch on livestream”. Once the service has been completed, a copy of the video will be posted that can be viewed at any time. In the event of difficulties with the internet, the video will be posted as soon as is possible after the event.

FUNERAL FOR MAX (“Bluey”) CARSON

A funeral for Max (“Bluey”) Carson will be held on **Monday 15 June at 11:00am**. Max was a member of St Paul’s Anglican Church, though they are not quite ready for hosting a funeral there. Max’s great granddaughter Quinn was baptised at High Street Uniting Church in 2018, also being a great granddaughter to Mac and Anne Cleland. Please include Peggy, and all of their family, in your prayers.

COVID SAFETY OVERSIGHT GROUP

The High Street Uniting Church Covid Safety Oversight Group continues to meet regularly to further our preparedness for the use of the buildings. We have rearranged the pews to accommodate 50 people with the required social distancing. Jacqui is not yet working from the office, though she does monitor emails and the phone. Being limited to having no more than 1 person per 4 square metres it is important to note that there can be no more than **2 people in the reception office area** at any time. The Ministry Team room has the same limit. The Hall is limited to 32 people, the Back Hall 15, the Blue Room 11 and the Green Room 8. The Church is limited to just over 50. We have prepared some protocols for groups that wish to hire or use spaces again, including taking a short online course about infection control, and we will require them to sign their agreement to the necessary conditions. We will be making hand sanitiser readily available, and regulating the flow of people to avoid cross-overs in doorways – so, at present, the normal entrance door from the car park will be “IN ONLY”, and exit

will be through the doors in the foyer nearer to the toilets. These and all other protocols will continue to be reviewed over time. As considerable cleaning is required after every group, we will normally allow only one group per room per day, with cleaning overnight. With these protocols in place, we may begin seeing some small groups returning soon.

CONTEMPORARY ZOOM SURVEY

During the Contemporary Service this Sunday there will be an opportunity to complete a short survey. Contemporary worship is enhanced by the participation of many different people, and this survey is an invitation to consider whether you would be prepared to sometimes read a Bible reading, lead the Acknowledgement of Country, prepare the worship (with help and with resources provided), or contribute in other ways. If you don't get the chance to complete the survey during worship, the link is <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/W62KN7J>

HIGH STREET TIMES

Items for the next issue of High Street are due on Friday 19 June. We welcome the submission of potential stories and contributions for publishing. Please send them to Jacqui at frankstonuc@gmail.com.

NEWSBEAT and CROSSLIGHT

The latest issue of the Presbytery's NEWSBEAT, and a bumper edition of the Synod's CROSSLIGHT, are available via the links on our website, www.frankstonuniting.org.au, under the NEWS tab.

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.

SUNDAY WORSHIP LINKS

TRADITIONAL (9:00am)

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

If you want to join on a computer or ipad, go to zoom.us and "join meeting" using the Meeting ID details above, or use the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/616254006?pwd=MkhoWjdXemFiUjAyVmN3bXBzSURqUT09>

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

Zoom Meeting ID **556 610 676**; Password **3199**. Join meeting from zoom.us or use the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/556610676?pwd=T3k4RmVUVONIdGR2eEswZVlvVUIXUT09>

or phone **(03) 7018 2005**.

WEBSITE: Reflections accessible in text format at <https://www.frankstonuniting.org.au/>

THIS WEEK

Monday 15 June, 11:00am – Funeral for Max Carson – details above

Wednesday 17 June, 5:00pm – HSUC Covid Safety Oversight Group

Thursday 18 June, 7:30pm – Bible Study group (use Contemporary zoom details)

Friday 19 June, 12:00pm – Funeral for Ray Allnutt – details above

Friday 19 June, 5:00pm – **Articles for High Street Times due**