

HIGH STREET UNITING CHURCH NEWS

26 June 2020

Dear Friends,

This week the Church Council met and discussed a number of matters pertinent to the life of the community. We established a Local Community Outreach Working Group, to be convened by Jackie Annable, to help us to engage in local community care which is valuable, sustainable, and safe against contagion. We agreed that worship will continue for now in its current form, recognising that we miss times of physical gathering, but thankful that so many are able to participate in worship in this way, including people who otherwise would not be able to because of distance or mobility.

We noted that our offerings are running at about 85% of the originally budgeted amount. In other circumstances, this Sunday would have been “Planned Giving Sunday”, with an opportunity for everyone to consider their giving for the coming year. With current government supplements, Hannah on Maternity Leave and Jacqui on reduced hours our budget is OK at the moment; we are working on a forecast budget for the rest of the year, albeit with a large number of variables! Many people have made extra efforts to continue to set aside offerings physically or to make offerings through direct transfers – thank you! All of these efforts and the offerings you are able to share are blessings. Thank you for your consideration of how you are able to provide for the ministry of the church as this year continues to unfold.

I hope you enjoy this month’s High Street Times, which has been distributed during the week and is also available on the website. “Happy holidays” to those who are teachers or school students, after an incredibly challenging term! God bless,
David

HIGH STREET TIMES

The latest edition of High Street Times is now available on our website, <https://www.frankstonuniting.org.au/> under the NEWS tab.

PRESBYTERY

The Presbytery of Port Phillip East met on Wednesday night to celebrate the Induction of office-bearers for the Presbytery. The meeting was held over Zoom, with the Moderator, Rev Denise Liersch preaching. Among others, the Presbytery inducted the new Chairperson, Dr Tom Spurling, from St Luke’s Uniting Church Mount Waverley; and Deputy Chairperson Rev Cameron McAdam from Mount Eliza.

NEXT WEEK - SUNDAY 5 JULY

Brenda Cooper will be preaching on Sunday 5 July, with worship led by Alan Mathews (Traditional) and Alan and Gill Jenkins (Contemporary), while David has a Sunday off. David will still be available during the week. The Services will include the opportunity to share in Holy Communion – please have a small piece of bread and a drink (preferably wine or grape juice) with you, whatever you can manage, if you would like to share in Holy Communion.

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](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/616254006?pwd=MkhoWjdXemFiUjAyVmN3bXBzSURqUT09) 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](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/556610676?pwd=T3k4RmVUV0NidGR2eEswZVlvVUIXUT09) or use the link

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

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

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.

THIS WEEK

Thursday 2 July, 7:30 – Thursday Bible Study (Use Contemporary zoom)