



Keeping in touch ... Sunday 12th May 2024

Welcome to our Worship Service. If you're visiting, please join us in the hall afterwards for tea/coffee and a chat!



*Proverbs 31:31 "Honor her for all that her hands have done,
and let her works bring her praise at the city gate."*

Isaiah 66:13 "As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you."

Happy Mother's Day to all mums today!



Pernaperna Group The next meeting is **Thursday 16th May** from 1-3pm at the Sunbury Neighbourhood House (531 Elizabeth Drive). All welcome. Enquiries to Joan Koren on 0418 302 676.

Sunbury Family History & Heritage Society The next meeting is at 1.30pm on **Thursday 16th May** in Meeting Room 3, Hume Global Learning Centre (temporary venue while Senior Cit's building is being refurbished). Anyone is welcome to attend.

Pentecost Sunday Combined Service A regional churches combined Service will take place at 2pm next **Sunday 19th May** at St. John's Uniting Church in Essendon. This is an opportunity to join with different cultures and share spiritual insights from many leaders in our community. A bus has been arranged for transport. **NOTE: there will be no morning service on this day.**

Quiet Day The next one is on **Saturday 25th May** from 10am to 3pm at 'The White Goose' (the Uniting Church building, 3 Sutherlands Road, Riddells Creek). Lunch, tea/coffee and light snacks will be provided. A small donation on the day would be appreciated to assist with costs. If you would like to attend, or if you need transport, please contact Barb on 0410 439 724 or Jill on 0400 236 122.

Restoration Fund coin containers Please bring these to church on **Sunday 26th May**. Every coin counts! If you don't have a container, there are plenty available in the kitchen foyer – they don't need to be named.

Book signing New author Michael Prewer will be signing books and answering questions about his first novel 'R.E Generation' after the Service on **Sunday 9th June**. The novel will be available for sale @ \$30 (RRP \$34.99).

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May Birthdays



6 Jo Brownscombe 15 Geoff Woods
18 Trish Palamountain 22 Jeanette McBean



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- every Mon and Sat
- every 3rd Fri and 3rd Sun
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Thank you!



... to everyone who donated so generously to our 14th annual 'Australia's Biggest Morning Tea'

Special thanks also to –

- ☕ My family and church friends for providing all the delicious food for our sumptuous morning tea!
- ☕ Robin and Helen for helping set up the church hall
- ☕ Carol Grant and Christine Morgan for serving the tea/coffee
- ☕ Everyone else who helped with the food
- ☕ Rev. Fa'amata'u for his support

We raised \$503 for people impacted by Cancer!
(\$303 on the day and \$200 online)

THE GRAND TOTAL FOR 14 YEARS IS \$8,213!

Blessings, thank you everyone!
... Carole Simpson

Workshop with Rev. Dr. Sally Douglas ... UCA minister/theologian and academic, based on her book 'The Church as Salt'. What would a church look like if it sought to be salt as Jesus spoke about in Matthew 5, rather than enticed by the need to be successful? This is a timely conversation to be had as we wrestle with what it means to be the church in our current context. If you're interested, you are encouraged to obtain a copy of Sally's book either online from [Coventry Press](#), from Koorong (currently on back order), Amazon, or borrow from a library, and read it in preparation for the workshop. An initiative between Craigieburn UCA and St. Andrew's Sunbury UCA, the workshop will be held at Craigieburn UCA. Further details of dates (**possibly in August**) and times will be made known when they are confirmed. Learn more about the book here [The Church as Salt](#).

If you're interested, please contact Rev. Fa'amata'u (0401 592 359).

KYB (Know Your Bible) meets at Pat Hay's home every Thursday at 10am for a cuppa, chat and Bible Study, until approximately 12pm. If you'd like to join, or just visit now and then, please speak to Pat.

The Drop-in Centre is open every Friday from 10am to 2.30pm. Drop in for a free cuppa and chat, and browse our many good quality books – for sale from 50c to \$2. Enquiries to Jan Semmens on 0400 404 901.

Fundraising update – 10c containers The current total raised by this simple but effective fundraiser is \$221.10. Good job everyone! ... Jeanette.

Jacque's cards Jacque Hay has restocked her birthday card box so don't forget to take a look at these beautiful cards (you'll find the box on the trolley in the kitchen foyer).

Rosters for Sunday 19th May
No roster duty – Service at Essendon

Readings for Sunday 19th May – Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2: 1-21 or Ezekiel 37: 1-14 Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b
Romans 8: 22-27 or Acts 2: 1-21 John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

Recycling Corner

Use the recycling trolley in the foyer for the following:

- old biros and textas
- medication blisters
- milk bottle tops
- bread bag tags – plastic only
- old glasses (spectacles)
- CDs and DVDs (not plastic cases)
- all coffee/Slurpee cups, plastic straws and lids – or take to 7-Eleven in Gap Road
- used postage stamps – Joycelyn and Reg collect for Sammy Stamp
- toner/ink cartridges, batteries, small electrical devices
- mobile phones and chargers, to support Melbourne Zoo's 'Gorilla Doctors' program in East Africa



Use the big plastic container for:

- 10c containers such as:



– see flyers on the recycling trolley.

The other side of the story – buy recycled:

The other side of recycling is to try to buy products made from recycled materials, in order to create a relevant market. Without a market, the recycled material has to go to landfill.

Check out these websites:

<https://littleecoshop.com.au>

www.onyalife.com/products

www.cleanup.org.au/buy-recycled

