

Reeping in touch... Sunday 18th June 2023

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

A congregational meeting will be held after the Service today. Everyone is asked to attend if possible.

Sunago is on **tonight**, commencing at 6pm. BYO meal.

Pernaperna Group Our next meeting is 1-3pm on **Thursday 22**nd **June** at the Sunbury Neighbourhood House (531 Elizabeth Drive). Enquiries to Joan on 0418 302 676.

Our monthly 2pm Service is next **Sunday 25th June**. All welcome.

UCAF (Uniting Church Adult Fellowship) A luncheon for everyone to attend will be held on **Thursday 6**th **July** at 12 noon at the Sunbury Social Club (also known as the Football Club – Clarke Oval, Riddell Road). Everyone is welcome, feel free to invite your friends and family. *Enquiries to Robyn Flett on 0423 277 450.*

Legs for Legacy – Errel Gray In September I will be honoured to be an official Torch Bearer for the *Legacy Centenary Torch Relay 2023*. This global journey, which started in Pozières in France on 23rd April, will carry the torch over 50,000 km, through all 45 Legacy clubs worldwide. I will run with



great pride and thinking of my father who was in the Army and then the Air Force, and the many men and women who fought for me and our country. Please support my leg of the relay by donating to <u>Legs for Legacy - Errel Gray</u>. Every donation will go towards continuing Legacy's services, providing financial,

emotional, and social support for our veterans' families, so they can grow and thrive despite adversity. For more information, contact Errel on 0423 779 224.

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.

Drop-in Centre The Drop-in Centre is open **every Friday** from 10am to 2.30pm. All welcome! Drop in for a cuppa and chat, and browse through our many good quality second-hand books which are available for sale from 50c to \$2. Cuppas are free – the cheapest café in Sunbury! Enquiries to Jan Semmens on 0400 404 901.

Happy Birthday!

June birthdays

- 2 Robert Wheeler
- 13 Rachel Caddaye
- 17 Lorraine McLaren
- 19 Bev Dainton, Yvonne Smith, Max Woolcock
- 20 Nancy Mead
- 25 Jess Caddaye
- 30 Errel Gray



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Rosters for Sunday 25th June:

Door: P. Palamountain, G. Warne **Morning tea:** R. Flett, J. Hay

Readings for Sunday 25th June:

Genesis 21: 8-21Psalm 86: 1-10, 16-17Romans 6: 1b-11Matthew 10: 24-39

News and Notes

➤ What happened to the REDcycle soft plastic recycling program?

In November 2022 this program was paused. REDcycle attributed the pause and eventual liquidation of the organisation's operation, to a 350% increase in soft plastic return, and a breakdown in the chain of processing as the system struggled to cope with the influx.

The soft plastics taskforce, chaired by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) with member supermarkets Aldi, Coles and Woolworths, released a road map in March 2023 to manage soft plastic recycling. The roadmap outlines the taskforce's objectives to bring a more robust and transparent program back online as soon as possible. The plan involves an initial staged return to store soft plastic recycling in select locations with nearby sorting and recycling partners, in late 2023.

To save stockpiled soft plastics from ending up in landfill, the government has said it would support processing offshore, despite Australia's plastic waste export bans. "Ideally, any exported soft plastics would be processed into recycled pellets that can be remanufactured in Australia" said Tanya Plibersek.

Coffee cup recycling

Australian's throw away 2.7 million coffee cups <u>every day!</u> Due to their waterproof coating, coffee cups must be collected and managed separately.

State Asphalts NSW applied for a 'Commonwealth Cooperative Research Centres Program Grant' and worked over three years with their partners to mix and test their solution. The team developed PAK- PAVE™ Roads which are

being piloted on three stretches of road in Penrith, Liverpool and Erskine Park. Through these resurfacing projects, it is estimated that over 135,000 recycled paper cups have been diverted from landfill. Over half of the materials used were recycled, leading to a 24% reduction in its carbon footprint.



Whilst there are multiple avenues for recycled cups, including light weight concrete products and construction boards, PAK- PAVE™ Roads is a fantastic solution because it uses such large quantities. The new roads will be evaluated for performance until the end of year. A positive result could see PAK- PAVE™ Roads rolled out nationally and a lot more cups recycled.

What can you do to help?

Keep a reusable coffee cup in your bag and/or car! These are sold in many shops or take a look at these websites

For more information on the above and other recycling projects, such as National Tree Day happening on Sunday 30^{th} July, see the Planet Ark website: https://planetark.org.



Use the recycling trolley in the foyer for donations of the following:

- milk bottle tops
- bread bag tags
- tea bag tags
- old biros
- medication blisters (empty)
- old glasses (spectacles)
- CDs and DVDs
- coffee and Slurpee etc. drink cups, plastic straws and lids

Also:

- Used postage stamps Joycelyn and Reg organise these (Helen will deliver to Sammy Stamp).
- Helen is still collecting mobile phones and chargers (the Zoo's 'Gorilla Doctors' collection), toner/ink cartridges, batteries, small electrical devices.



Buy recycled:

The other side of recycling is to try to purchase products made from recycled materials to create a market for the material we recycle. If there is no market, it has to go to landfill.

Check out these websites:

https://littleecoshop.com.au
www.onyalife.com/products
www.cleanup.org.au/buy-recycled







