

# Reeping in touch... Sunday 19th November 2023

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

**Welcome!** ..... to our new minister Rev. Fa'amata'u Leota who is visiting with us today. Everyone is welcome to stay after the Service for the luncheon so he can get to know us all.

*The Induction Service* will be held on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** at 2pm, followed by afternoon tea. Please bring a plate to share (savoury or sweet) as we will be hosting many visitors that day.

**Volunteers' Briefing Session for Carols at Rupertswood** will take place at 7.30pm on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November** at our church. If you can help in any way on the day (see below), you will need to fill in an application form which is available here <a href="www.sunburychurches.com.au/volunteers.html">www.sunburychurches.com.au/volunteers.html</a> or at the briefing session. All volunteers must have a valid WWC card.

**Pernaperna Group** will meet next on **Thursday 23**<sup>rd</sup> **November** from 1-3pm at the Sunbury Neighbourhood House (531 Elizabeth Drive). Enquiries to Joan Koren on 0418 302 676.

Sunbury StreetLife Festival will take place next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November. As a result of our church's participation in this event, the Service that day will not be held in the Chapel, it will be in the hall in a Café Church format at the tables already set up for Dev Teas, so that T&T can be set up in the Chapel on Saturday. At 11am we will commence running the following stalls:

- ★ Trash 'n Treasure contact Janene Butler
- ★ Second-hand Books contact Crystal Marlow
- ★ Devonshire Teas contact Di Moon

**2pm Service – please note!** This will <u>not</u> be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of November.

**Remembrance poinsettias** After the success of last year's remembrance poinsettias, we are doing them again. If you would like to buy a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, please give your name and the number required to Nancy Prewer (0421 885 179, <a href="mainto:nancy.prewer@gmail.com">nancy.prewer@gmail.com</a>) or to Jackie Cowan. We hope to have them displayed from **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** and you can collect them the week before Christmas. The cost is \$15 each, and you can pay by cash or by direct deposit to:

St Andrews UC Fundraising Group, BSB 633 000, Account number 115212300 All proceeds will go to the Restoration Fund, thanks to Bunnings' sponsorship.

# November Birthdays

- 18 Dianne Moon
- 22 Eileen Dundas
- 27 Chloe Brownscombe
- 28 Strickland Lesoa

~ A glimpse of the past ~



Sunbury Station (1 of 4) c. 1860s (oldest known photo)

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... see overleaf

Carols at Rupertswood Carols this year will be again held at the same Rupertswood location on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December, commencing at 5pm. We would welcome anyone who can spare some time on the day – in the afternoon (from 2pm) or evening (or both!) to help set up tents, arrange chairs, help the choirs on and off the stage etc.

For a full description of where/when help is needed please take a flyer from the holder on the bench near the tea/coffee window. If you can spare even a couple of hours, you will help will be very much appreciated and will contribute to making the day a success!

# Carols at Rupertswood Prayer Requests

- Pray that people will come with open hearts and receive and understand the Christmas message, and that through the nativity stable, the Jesus' Birthday children's activities and gift bags, the children will understand the true Christmas story.
- Pray that all goes well in the food stalls.
- Pray for protection from accidents and mishaps.
- Pray for good weather on the day, as that has a major influence on the attendance and atmosphere of the event.

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

*CareWorks* For many years, generous members of this congregation have been bringing groceries to help stock the CareWorks pantry.

Sometimes there are items that are low in stock, so now and then we'll update you with these. Any donations are still very much appreciated but it will be helpful if you can consider something from the list. Thank you!

- ★ instant coffee small jars
- ★ long life milk any kind
- ★ weetbix
- muesli bars
- ★ peanut butter
- ★ vegemite
- ★ jan
- pasta sauce
- ★ gravy
- ★ shampoo
- ★ men's deodorant

# Rosters for Sunday 26th November:

**Door:** C. Ely, N. Prewer **Morning tea:** D. Moon, G. Woods

# Readings for Sunday 26th November:

**Ezekiel** 34: 11-16, 20-24 **Psalm** 100

**Ephesians** 1: 15-23 **Matthew** 25: 31-36



# Recycling Corner

# 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







