



## Keeping in touch... Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024

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

**UCAF (Uniting Church Adult Fellowship)** Our next meeting is at 1.30pm on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June** at the church. We will be doing some colouring in. If possible, please bring some coloured pencils. All welcome!  
Enquiries to Robyn Flett on 0423 277 450.

**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 9<sup>th</sup> June**. The novel will be available for sale @ \$30 (RRP \$34.99).

**Sunago** For our next meeting on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June** at 4pm, we have been graciously invited to the *Australian Nepalese Multicultural Centre* to meet with members of their community. The venue address is 100 Duncans Lane, Diggers Rest. Please advise if you'll be attending. This replaces our normal meeting.

**Uniting World in Action** On **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June** we will be holding a Café Church in the church hall to celebrate 'Uniting World in Action', outlining environmental concerns in our Pacific Basin. All are welcome.

**Warm Winter Wednesdays** is a new venture where we will open the Drop-in Centre **during winter on Wednesdays** from 11am to 2pm to serve a soup and sandwich lunch to those in need or who are homeless.

**Journey through the Ranges** will take place on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July** from 9.45 am to 4.30 pm – pick up and drop off at our church. The cost will be \$69. This is a social day out, not a fundraiser. We will visit :

- Hanging Rock Winery and Farm – \$10 wine tasting
- Cleveland Estate Winery – \$15 tasting and you can buy lunch
- Gindu Distillery Woodend – \$18 to \$23 tasting
- or do your own thing in Woodend's interesting little shops

The cost of tastings is usually refunded if you buy from the shop. We need 13 confirmed bookings for this to go ahead. \$69 in cash can be given to Nancy Prewer or Jackie Cowan, or you can pay by direct deposit to St. Andrew's Fundraising Account BSB 633 000, Account number 115212300 – by Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June please. Once the bus is booked no refunds can be given unless someone can be found to fill your spot. If 22 people book, the cost will be about \$59 and the difference will be refunded.

### June Birthdays



- 17 Lorraine McLaren  
19 Bev Dainton, Yvonne Smith, Max Woolcock  
20 Nancy Mead      30 Errel Gray



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The Minister's days off are:

- every Mon and Sat
- every 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sun when it occurs

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**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.*

**Men's Group** meets monthly on first Saturdays from 10am-12pm in the Drop-in Centre over coffee and toast to relax and chat. *Enquiries to Peter Canning 0478 777 400.*

**Fundraising** Thanks to everyone who bought back their coin containers. **\$413.15** was collected for the Restoration Fund. Doesn't it all add up! Don't forget to take a replacement container or pick one up if you haven't had one before. **\$39.40** was also banked from the 10c bottle/can returns making a total of **\$260.60**. Keep bringing them in! Thanks everyone! *Nancy Prewer.*

**Quiet Day at The White Goose** "We had 17 participants. Some stayed for half a day, others shared lunch and enjoyed the whole day from 10am to 3pm. We are a diverse group from Sunbury and the Macedon Ranges enjoying each other's gifts as we explore contemplative and quiet times reflecting on various themes, such as *Who have you Been?* and *Who are you Now?* We explore our continuing experiences as Christians and companions on very different journeys (seeking to 'do justice, love kindness and walk in friendship with our God'). We don't seek to share answers, but provide some guidance for people to explore and appreciate their own life experiences. Our next Quiet Day will be sometime in September ... so keep watch if you are interested. We are supported by St. Andrew's Sunbury." (This report was written by Heather Huke.) *Barb Ashley.*

### News ... Notes ... Advance Diary Dates

- **PWMU Cookbook Committee ...** The PWMU Cookbook is the oldest continuous cookbook in Australia, and has been in print since 1904. The 2024 edition celebrates 120 years of the book, with royalties funding the mission and ministry of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria and the Uniting Church in Victoria. If you're interested, you can [order here](#) (\$25 + \$12.20 postage). **OR:** postage is cheaper if 2 or more are ordered, so let me know asap if you'd like one and I will order in 'bulk' (I have one person interested so far).
- **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. You can 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. *If interested, please contact Rev. Fa'amata'u.*

### Rosters for Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June

**Door:** B. Ashley, J. Unwin

**Morning Tea:** R. Flett, D. Parrey

### Readings for Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June

**1 Samuel** 8: 4-11 (12-15), 16-20 (11: 14-15)

**Psalms** 130, 138

**Genesis:** 3: 8-15

**2 Corinthians** 4: 13 to 5: 1

**Mark** 3: 20-35

## Recycling Corner

**Use the recycling trolley in the foyer for the following:**

- old biro and textas
- medication blisters
- milk bottle tops
- bread bag tags – plastic only (**NO** tea bag tags, ring pulls please)
- 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 is to 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](http://www.onyalife.com/products)

[www.cleanup.org.au/buy-recycled](http://www.cleanup.org.au/buy-recycled)

