



Keeping in touch ... *Sunday 5th November 2023*

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

Pernaperna Group will meet next on **Thursday 9th November** from 1-3pm at the Sunbury Neighbourhood House (531 Elizabeth Drive). Enquiries to Joan Koren on 0418 302 676.

Quiet Day Our next one will be held on **Saturday 11th November** from 10am to 3pm at 'The White Goose' (old Uniting Church), 3 Sutherlands Road, Riddells Creek.

For further information, please take a flyer from the bench in either foyer, or contact Barb Ashley on 0410 439 724.



Geelong Welsh Ladies Choir 'A Hint of Christmas' The choir will perform at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (49 Fisher Street, Gisborne) on **Sunday 12th November** from 3-4pm. Entry is by gold coin donation.

Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child Shoebox Project If you've been collecting items or have completed a box, please bring to church no later than **today Sunday 5th or 12th November**. If contributing a completed box, please try to include \$12.50 postage (or pay online and print the label). There will be a large box in the link for your contributions.

If you'd like to participate in the future, you can do so online on the website at [Pack a Shoebox Online](#). Choose from 6 pre-packed shoeboxes for a boy or girl, age groups 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. Online boxes cost \$35 each, which includes the cost of postage. Enquiries to Errel on 0423 779 224.

Sunbury Family History & Heritage Society The next meeting is at 1.30pm on **Thursday 16th November** at the Senior Citizens Club (8 O'Shanassy Street). Please note: the Senior Cit's Club will be undergoing renovation by Hume Council in the near future so if you wish to attend a meeting after this one, please contact Rosa McCall on 0438 681 463 to confirm the venue.

Christmas at Rupertswood Carols this year will be held at the same Rupertswood location on **Saturday 9th December**, commencing at 5pm. Many volunteers will be needed to set up from 2pm through to 8pm and then later to take down the marquee and clear the site. There will be a Volunteers' Briefing Session at 7.30pm on **Tuesday 21st November** at our church. If you are able to help in any way, please take a leaflet from the envelope in the pamphlet rack in the Link. All volunteers must have a valid WWC card.

November Birthdays



- 1 Tim Hay
- 4 Pat O'Meara
- 11 Ben Brownscombe
- 18 Dianne Moon
- 22 Eileen Dundas
- 27 Chloe Brownscombe
- 28 Strickland Lesoa

~ A glimpse of the past ~



Remember this shop?
..... Dorothy Lou in Evans Street

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Prayer request The Combined Churches of Sunbury asks for our prayer support for the Carols event at Rupertswood:

- Thank God that we have the freedom to bring the Gospel message of Salvation to the community of Sunbury.
- Praise God for the available venue at Rupertswood and for the abundant provision of finances to hold the event.
- Pray that enough volunteers will come forward from all the churches involved.
- Pray that all the churches work together as the one Christian Church.
- Pray for the participating schools, the bands and choirs and all other performers on the stage.

Our new Minister His name is Rev. Fa'amata'u Leota. He will be visiting us in November before his first Service. The Induction Service will be held on **Sunday 3rd December** at 2pm, followed by afternoon tea.

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
- ★ jam
- ★ pasta sauce
- ★ gravy
- ★ shampoo
- ★ men's deodorant

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.*

Name badges With our new minister joining us soon it would be great if everyone was wearing a name badge each week. Peter Canning will place another order soon so we can all be wearing one when Rev. Fa'amata'u Leota arrives. Badges cost \$10 each. *Enquiries and orders to Peter on 0478 777 400.*

News and Notes

Thank you I received this message from Wilmy Johnson: *“Grateful thanks to everyone for all your prayers and cards on the death of my husband. Blessings from Wilmy.”*

Rosters for Sunday 12th November:

Door: P. Baulch, J. Unwin

Morning tea: C. Ely, C. Prosser

We STILL need new people on these rosters. Names have been decreasing over some time now, leaving a few 'old faithfuls' to fill these important roles. *If you can help on either, please speak to Helen or Judy. Thank you!*

Readings for Sunday 12th November:

Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25

Psalms 78: 1-7

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Matthew 25: 1-13

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

