

SHEPPARTON UNITING CHURCH

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SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13

Praying Together Rutherglen, Chiltern-Springhurst, Corowa,
Howlong

Readings Ex 14.19-31 Ps 114 or Ex 15.1b-11, 20-21
Rom 14.1-12 Mt 18.21-35

Worship Revd Loni Vaitohi

The service will be live on Zoom, or by phone, 9.30am See details opposite or use the website (above) to view the service later.

READINGS - SEPTEMBER

Sept 20 Ex 16.2-15 Ps 105.1-6,13-75 Phil 1.21-30 Mt 20.1-16
Sept 27 Ex 17.1-7 Ps78.1-4 12-16 Phil 2.1-13 Mt 21.23-32

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands and waters of the region, the Bangerang People of the Yorta Yorta Nations, and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

SHEPPARTON WORSHIP ONLINE

Joining in to Zoom via the phone

Step 1: To join the meeting via a Phone call please dial one of the five following phone numbers: The 03 number is for Victoria so is likely to be a cheaper call than one of the interstate numbers.

03 7018 2005

02 8015 6011

07 3185 3730

08 6119 3900

08 7150 1149

Step 2: when prompted enter the meeting code on the Zoom invitation. The Meeting Code for September 13 is **914 7004 6686** followed by the hash key #

Step 3: you will asked if you are the meeting host or a participant Don't worry about this question, just press #

Step 4: when prompted enter the passcode on the Zoom invitation, which will also change each week.

The Passcode for September 13 is **115573** followed by the hash key

USING ZOOM

HOW CAN WE USE ZOOM TO ENRICH OUR LIFE TOGETHER?

We are learning to use Zoom for worship. Some of us have been using Zoom for meetings. We held two Zoom and Coffee mornings to practise using Zoom before Rosalie's last service. The Pastoral Care meeting reflected on these things - and decided to invite you to tell us how we could use Zoom to enrich our lives together in these COVID days. Shirley would love to hear your suggestions!

One of the suggestions is a fortnightly Chat with Joan Fisher to see how our faith is guiding us in these times of isolation. Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning has been suggested.

YOUR VISION FOR MISSION - IN FIVE YEARS!

We have one section to complete in the *Property and Mission Workbook* which is the first part of our response to Property Services in relation to the op shop and to Maude Street. This was to have been done at a meeting of the Congregation, but now we are inviting your suggestions by phone, email or dropping in the church letter box in Fryers Street.

Here is the task: We are in 2025. The new Op Shop has been operating for several years. Uniting has redeveloped the manse, hall and Settlement Hub in Maude Street. They are no longer using the Meeting Room at Fryers Street.

What is Shepparton Uniting Church now doing for mission? With the background above, write a sentence, a list or a paragraph - noting ways the congregation is at mission. Spell your ideas out... You can chat to family or friends and come up with shared ideas. Then get them to Joan in the next ten days - 5812 9320 joanmcr@netspace.net.au or the church letter box, Fryers Street. This is not a test but a fun-and-faith challenge!

PASTORAL PRAYERS

We rejoice with all our friends at Maculata Place who were allowed out of their rooms on Tuesday 8 - and celebrated with an amazing afternoon tea! They are enjoying being able to go out of their rooms for breakfast! In a couple of weeks they expect to have visitors again, and to be able to go into one of the courtyards. Maculata Place's COVID-care was featured in an article in *The Age* last week - see Joan for a copy.

Remember Rosalie as she is inducted into her new ministry at Bairnsdale.

Also remember those in hospital, two convalescing from surgery, others who are not well, or undergoing various forms of treatment.

Pray for all who are lonely or finding the days too long.

TREASURER

Zane thanks all who continue to make their offering. If this note is a reminder, please remember, and act!