

# SHEPPARTON UNITING CHURCH

## SHEPPARTON RURAL CLUSTER



### NEWS MARCH 14, 2021

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#### SUNDAY MARCH 14 Joan McRae

*Praying Together* Strath Creek Faith Community

*Readings* Num 21.4-9 Ps 107.1-3,17-22 Eph 2.1-10 John 3.14-21

#### SUNDAY MARCH 21 Rev Glenys Gill

*Praying Together* Yarrawonga, Bundalong

*Readings* Jer 31.31-34 Ps 51.1-12 Heb 5.5-10 John 12.20-33

#### READINGS MARCH

March 28 Is 50.4-9 Ps 118.1,2,19-29 Phil 2.5-11 Mark 11.1-11

or Is 50.4-9 Ps 31.9-16 Phil 2.5-11 Mark 14.1-15.47

*Holy Week Monday* Is 42.1-9 Ps 36.5-11 Heb 9.11-15 Jn 12.1-11

*Holy Week Tuesday* Is 49.1-7 Ps 71.1-14 1Cor 11.23-26 Jn 12.20-36

*Holy Week Wednesday* Is 50.4-9a Ps 70 Heb 12.1-3 Jn 13.21-32

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

## SHEPPARTON WORSHIP ALSO CONTINUES ONLINE

### Joining in to Zoom via the phone

*Step 1:* Dial 03 7018 2005 or 02 8015 6011 *Step 2:* when prompted enter the meeting ID for that date, followed by #

*Step 3:* Press # *Step 4:* enter the passcode for that date, then #

March 14 Meeting ID 992 0714 1359# Passcode 070550#

## CHURCH ROSTERS

	March 14	March 21
<i>Opening</i>	W.Gibbs	W. Gibbs
<i>Elder</i>	L. Tu'ungafasi	L. Threlfall
<i>Welcome/Sign In</i>	B. Fisher, C. Carter	B. Fisher, K. Read
<i>Readers</i>	L. Tu'ungafasi, W. Gibbs	L. Threlfall, J. Le Quesne
<i>Data Projector</i>	L.Threlfall	T.and N. Maile
<i>Audio-Zoom</i>	TBA	
<i>Counting Offering</i>	A. and E. Cameron	W. and V. Gibbs
<i>Flowers</i>	D. Metzke	
<i>Morning Tea March</i>	E. Brewster, J. McCaffrey, N. Howard, J. Lavery	

## THIS WEEK

Sunday 14 *Presbytery Lent Studies, Journeying with Jesus* 6.30-8

Tuesday 16 *Friendship Group* 10.00am; *Crazy Whist*

Wednesday 17 *Lent Study* 2.00pm; *Pastoral Care Meeting* 7.00pm

Thursday 18 *Cuppa and Chat* 10.00am to noon *Memorial Service* noon; *Lent Study* 7.00pm

## ANNUAL MEETING PART TWO MARCH 21

**Church Leaders** The following nominations were received:

*Congregational Chairperson* Kim Read

*Elders* Harold Dixon, Bron Fisher, Lavinia Losaki, Shirley Marven, Cam Shields, Jen Shields

*Representatives to Church Council* Gail Jones, Munya Juru, Taleena Maile, Graeme Thomson

*Representatives to Presbytery* Elaine Brewster, Jeni Fitzgerald, Cam Shields, Jen Shields

*Three incomplete nominations* were received: Bron Fisher, Jan Le Quesne, Anni Russell Joan will invite the congregation to accept these on March 14. Please continue your prayers for all who have been nominated.

**The agenda** will include the election of Church Leaders, further exploration of our Vision and Mission statements and votes of thanks to those whose terms are now completed.  
Joan McRae Chairperson

## **WHAT IS PASTORAL CARE? HOW, WHEN and WHERE?**

### **Pastoral Care Meeting Wednesday March 17, 7.00pm**

'Pastorally caring' may mean different things to different people and we would like to know what you think. Come to an interesting evening and a chat over a cuppa.  
*Shirley Marven*

## **PASTORAL PRAYERS**

This week we pray for those who are not well, remembering Emily, Tracy Ford, Heather Turner, Ailsa, Jim, Eve and Merinda Speedy.

We remember Don Fraser and the Fraser family following the death of Fiona (Ona) (funeral service March 10)

In the Presbytery we pray for Strath Creek Faith Community. The WCC invites prayers for the lands and people of Scandinavia - Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway Sweden

The Assembly asks prayers for

- Courageous women making a difference in the world
- God's hope and healing for all those still suffering across the world as a result of the pandemic
- Members of Assembly Standing Committee, who are meeting this weekend

## **SHEPPARTON WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE**

held March 3, Shepparton Uniting Church. Approximately fifty attended the service, with representatives of nine churches taking part. Our service was very capably led by Shirley Marven. The guest speaker was Cameron Shields who had worked in Vanuatu as a volunteer. Thanks to Lorraine for her work with the data projector and to Cam and Shirley.

Morning tea was beautifully presented by the Catering Committee. Thanks to all other volunteers who greeted and welcomed visitors, or counted the offering, of \$9131.55, which is forwarded to the Victorian World Day of Prayer Committee to go towards a project in Vanuatu.

This week, six Aged Care facilities will be visited by members of our group who will lead the service for them.  
*Lois Hardy*

## **MEMORIAL SERVICE - Annette and Rob Orrman**

A Memorial Service to celebrate the lives of Annette and Rob Orrman will be held on Thursday, March 18, 2021, at 12 noon at Shepparton Uniting Church, and later at the home ground of the Shepparton Swans, W.B.Hunter Pavilion, Princess Park, Nixon Street, Shepparton. The service will be livestreamed from Owen Mohan Funeral Directors' website, [www.owenmohan.com.au/livestream](http://www.owenmohan.com.au/livestream)

## **HARMONY DAY Sunday, March 21**

Watch for celebrations in the local community.