

SHEPPARTON UNITING CHURCH

SHEPPARTON RURAL CLUSTER



NEWS MAY 30, 2021

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SUNDAY MAY 30 Revd Joan Fisher Trinity Sunday
Worship will be ONLINE - see below NB The Mission Study
has been postponed to a date to be advised

Readings Is 6.1-8 Ps 29 Rom 8.12-17 John 3.1-17

Praying Together Cobram, Katamatite

SUNDAY JUNE 6 Revd Glenys Gill HC

Readings 1 Sam 8.4-11,16-20 Ps 138 2Cor 4.13- 5.1 Mk 3.20-35

Praying Together Alexandra

SHEPPARTON WORSHIP WILL BE ONLINE MAY 30!

Joining in to Zoom via the phone

Step 1: Dial 03 7018 2005 or 02 8015 6011

May 30 Meeting ID 949 9359 0835# Passcode 833 370#

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.

THIS WEEK

National Reconciliation Week continues to June 3 (Mabo Day)
Sunday 30 worship will be online!

CHURCH ROSTERS - JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER

Thank you to all who volunteer for specific duties each Sunday. In order for the next roster to be printed in plenty of time, would you please indicate any changes in your preferences, and dates for which you are unavailable? I know it's a long way ahead but it helps if holidays or long-standing days of unavailability are factored into the roster if possible. There are printed forms on the narthex table for when you can get back in! Many thanks.

Shirley Marven

PASTORAL PRAYERS

We continue to remember Emily, Tracy Ford, Lisa, Eve and Merinda Speedy. The Presbytery prays for Cobram and Katamatite. The WCC invites prayers for the lands and peoples of Angola and Mozambique. The Assembly prays for *truth-telling and healing in our Church and nation as we acknowledge the wrongs of the past and injustices faced today by our First Nations Peoples.

*A peaceful and just solution to the political tumult in Samoa. May it emerge from this crisis a stronger and united country.

*The Church of Scotland as its General Assembly takes place online this week, for the guidance of God's love, wisdom and hope.

Pray for all who have contacted COVID, all sharing in Victoria's lockdown and all health workers.

And pray for Greater Shepparton Winter Night Shelter and all Volunteers!

CUPPA FOR CANCER

Women's Afternoon Group will hold the annual Cuppa for Cancer morning tea on June 13 after the morning service. A delicious morning tea will be served; it will be available for everyone. Donations towards cancer research may be made on the day of you wish to do so. *Lois Hardy*

ASSEMBLY NEWS

This week's is another very full edition

*National Reconciliation Week: *Reconciliation takes action* Much remains to be done in the Uniting Church's covenant commitment and walking in deeper relationship as First and Second Peoples.

*The Uniting Church in the 21st Century: History, Theology, and Future A webinar series exploring this topic begin Thursday May 27 from 7.00 to 8.30pm.. Online registration is necessary - go to Assembly website.

*Let's yarn about identity - share your thought on who we are!

*Helping to bring change to the most vulnerable - our church working with our Partner Church in Sri Lanka.

GREATER SHEPPARTON WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

God is good! Another driver and a Breakfast Cook volunteered for Mondays. At the May 27 Venue Co-ordinators' meeting, I understand we will be allocated volunteers for the Overnight Shift from a pool. Six members of the congregation have volunteered so far; the remaining 17 Volunteers to date include members of several other churches and none, all hugely committed to improving life for homeless people.

Greater Shepparton Winter Night Shelter now has over 200 Volunteers, with more coming! Fundraising is proving very successful! Please pray for the project - which was to begin on Tuesday 1 at St Mary's and Mooroopna Uniting Church, at Ardmona Hall and continue Wednesday 2 at the St Brendan's, Thursday 3 at the SDA, led by the Syro Malabar Church (from South India, worshipping at St Brendan's). Friday 4 is St Mel's and the South Shepparton Community Church. I expect to hear Thursday night 27 that the Friday team will lead us off! Saturdays are at the Salvation Army and Sundays at the Seventh Day Adventist Church. We round it off on Mondays. Keep praying!