

SHEPPARTON UNITING CHURCH

SHEPPARTON RURAL CLUSTER



NEWS JANUARY 16, 2022

Epiphany 2

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SUNDAY JANUARY 16 Rev Loni Vaitohi Four baptisms:

Readings Is 62.1-5 Ps 36.5-10 1 Cor 12.1-11 John 2.1-11

Praying Together Violet Town, Strathbogie

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23 Rev Glenys Gill

Readings 3 Neh 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Ps 19 1 Cor 12.12-31a. Lk 4.4-

21 *Praying Together*. Presbytery Ministers – Richard Franklin,
Tony Davies. Brian Spencer

READINGS JANUARY 2022

Jan 30 Jer 1.4-10 Ps 71.1-6 1Cor 13.1-13 Luke 4.12-30

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

SHEPPARTON WORSHIP

There are two options for worship every Sunday:

Worship in the church at 9.30am

or Worship online, using Youtube.

Go to www.youtube.com/user/SheppartonUniting

When the appropriate service link comes with the video link: click the link and you will be taken to the service. This may take a short while.

REQUIREMENTS FOR WORSHIP, ALL SERVICES

COVID Marshalls will ensure that you are correctly checked in – QR code

Proof of double vaccination is no longer required for worship as of Thursday December 16. Masks are mandatory for worship in Victoria.

RURAL CONGREGATION

Dookie 9.30am. Shirley Marven

CLOSING SERVICE, PINE LODGE CONGREGATION

The final service of the Pine Lodge Congregation will be held on **Saturday, January 15** at 10.00am.

We thank God for the witness of this Congregation over 145 years, and pray for the members as they join other congregations.

PASTORAL PRAYERS

We remember Emily, Tracy Ford, Eve, Bron, Lea, Lisa and her family, Emma Fethney;, Florence, Delilah, Layla and Maree, to be baptised January 16, and their families.

The Presbytery prays for Violet Town and Strathbogie.

The WCC invites prayers for the lands and peoples of the nations of the Arabian Peninsula – Bahrain, Oman, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen. To these we add Egypt, Jordan and Lebanon.

We pray for

All suffering from COVID; all working to assist healing those with COVID, all those mourning those who have died from COVID. All unable to acquire Rapid Antigen Tests, all unable to obtain COVID tests.

Hospitals under extreme pressure caused by COVID; all facing the postpone-ment of surgery; all nursing staff.

All farmers and businesses not able to operate properly because of the shortage of pickers, transport and other workers.

SALE OF MAUDE STREET CHURCHES

The auction of the two churches will be held on Friday, January 28 at 7.00pm.

CHURCH COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Church Council will hold a Special Meeting on January 19.

CUPPA AND CHAT

Cuppa and Chat will resume on January 20, 10.00am to noon.

WITH LOVE TO THE WORLD.

This Daily Reading Guide based on the Revised Common Lectionary, used by the Uniting and other churches, was first published in 1976 by the *With Love to the World* Committee, initially members of the Uniting Church congregations in Strathfield, Sydney; the (NSW/ACT) United Theological College is also involved.

There are four issues each year. Each copy includes a daily commentary on one of the passages for the following Sunday, and some related passages; there are prayers, questions and suggestions for hymns.

Subscription for the year costs \$24, payable to Joan when the February copy arrives. No money now, please!

As well as the booklet, with *Love to the World* is also available as the **WLW** App. This must be purchased separately from the Play Store or App Store on your mobile device – also \$24pa.

New subscribers: please contact Joan 5812 9320 or joanmcr@netspace.net.au by Tuesday January 18.

Present subscribers: Joan will keep you as a subscriber unless you let her know of any change by January 18.

OFFERINGS 2022

Envelopes for your offerings are available from the narthex table.



ON JANUARY 16, WE WELCOME BY BAPTISM

Florence and Delilah Joinbee, the daughters of Nattalie Brown and Greg Joinbee

Layla Maree Pethybridge, the daughter of Alarna Macklin and Reilley Pethybridge

Alarna Maree Macklin

The Congregation welcomes you with great joy!