

SHEPPARTON UNITING CHURCH

WITH DOOKIE UNITING CHURCH



NEWS OCTOBER 2, 2022

AFTER PENTECOST 17

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 9.30am Rev Glenys Gill HC

Readings Lam 1.1-6 Lam 3.19-26 or Ps 137 2 Tim 1. 1-14 Lk 17.5-10

Praying Together Beechworth, Stanley, Yackandandah, Corowa, Howlong

READINGS

Oct 9 Jer 29.1, 4-7 Ps 66.1-12 2 Tim 2.8-15 Lk 17.11-19

Oct 16 Jer 31.27-34 Ps 119.97-104 2 Tim 3.14-4.5 Lk 18.1-8

Oct 23 Joel 2.23-32 Ps 65 2 Tim 4.6-8, 16-18 Lk 18.9-14

Oct 30 Hab 1.1-4, 2.1-4 Ps 119.137-144 2 Thess 1.1-4, 11-12 Lk 19.1-10

We acknowledge the Traditional owners of the lands and waters of the region, the Bangerang Peoples of the Yorta Yorta Nations and pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.

SHEPPARTON WORSHIP 9.30AM

Worship online www.youtube.com/user/SheppartonUniting

DOOKIE 9.30am Tanya Walker

OCTOBER 2: CELEBRATING OLDER PERSONS SUNDAY

We celebrate the contributions of older people and challenge ageism as we mark Older Persons' Sunday, October 2.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Oct 4 Friendship Group Stamps 10.00am Crazy Whist 1.30pm, **Thursday, Oct 6 Cuppa and Chat** 10.00am – noon.

REVISED PREACHING PLAN, OCTOBER 2022

	Shepparton	Dookie
October 2	Rev Glenys Gill HC	Tanya Walker
October 9	Joan McRae	Rev Dr Helen Malcolm
October 16	Rev Alan Lockwood	Rev Joan Fisher HC
October 23	Narelle Freeman	Elders/Zoom
October 30	2.00pm Induction Rev Kerrie Needham (Presbytery) combined (no morning services)	

PASTORAL PRAYERS

We remember Emily, Eve, Clive; Terry and Nola Smith.

All with Covid, or isolating – the vast numbers in Victoria and those locally.

The Presbytery prays for Beechworth, Stanley, Yackandandah, Corowa, Howlong.

The WCC prays for the lands and peoples of Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela

The Assembly invites prayers for

*The work of Frontier Services as it celebrates 110 years and continues to faithfully live out the courageous vision of its founders.

*Older people in our Church, families and communities. May we celebrate their contributions and honour their wisdom and experience.

*Actions taking place across the church, our agencies and local communities to reduce our emissions and care for your planet.

The people of **Ukraine** as they defend their land against Russia.

****Special prayers for Loni and his family.**

ASSEMBLY NEWS

Resources for **Living as an Intercultural Church** are now available on the Assembly's website.

Towards Zero (Rev Dr Ji Zhang): listen to First Peoples speak about how the Spirit of the Land connects to caring for creation, and how to plan our climate actions – for a more sustainable future!

Celebrating the wisdom of Older Persons

Uniting Church President, Rev Sharon Hollis writes: *The Uniting Church's life is enriched by its many older members who remember faithfully and watch hopefully for where God is leading and nurture and encourage others across the generations. We give thanks for their worship, witness and service.*

The Assembly also celebrates 110 years of Frontier Services

The Rev John Flynn's vision was to provide a companion to people in the bush. Frontier Services will continue to do this as long as there is a need for equity and support.

NEWS FROM THE 11th WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES ASSEMBLY

Listen to the Voice of Creation has been the theme of this year's Season of Creation which will close on October 4.

The WCC has sent congratulations to the Church of South India, currently celebrating its 75th birthday (Church of North India established November, 1970; the UCA – 45 years!)

For further news and stories from the recently-closed 11th Assembly of the WCC in Karlsruhe, see Joan for the links. Or Google.

SOS – VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED!

Because of unforeseen circumstances there are now four Sundays with no audio operator and three with no data person for the roster. If anyone – you? – can help, please contact Shirley 0438 242 150, or see her at church on Sunday.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP BUSTRIIP

The Friendship Group have organised a bus trip to Wangaratta on Tuesday October 25 to see the paintings by Shirley Barber, now housed in Wangaratta Uniting Church. We will arrive in time for lunch at the church, followed by a talk about the artist and her paintings by Rev John van Riet. Then afternoon tea before returning to Shepparton. Cost \$15 per person. This will be a great day. Please see Wilma or Jan if you would like to join the group.