



**Worship @ 9
BULLETIN**

Our Vision—Reaching out with God’s love and care

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Wisdom's Feast



Marion’s Message
July 19-22, 2013

Proverbs 9

¹Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. ² She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. ³ She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, ⁴ ‘You that are simple, turn in here!’ To those without sense she says, ⁵ ‘Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. ⁶ Lay aside immaturity, and live and walk in the way of insight.’

Each year at the Centre for Theology and Ministry, the theological college of the Uniting Church, there is a conference where some of the foremost biblical scholars, theologians, scholars of mission and the arts are invited to share their insights with anyone who likes to come and partake. People come from all over Australia, both clergy and lay people.

This year keynote speakers were Tom Wright (whose commentaries on the New Testament are amongst our worship resources in the Resources room at the church and available to all of you to use) and Dr. Liz Boase from Adelaide, an Old Testament scholar and teacher whose speciality is the book of Lamentations.

Calendar

AUGUST

- 4 Rev Marion Latham HC
- 11 Café church
- 17 Prayer Breakfast
- 18 Graeme’s Team
- 25 Rev Marion Latham

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Rev Marion Latham HC
- 8 Wayne’s Team
- 8 5pm Messy Church
- 15 Jenni’s Team
- 21 Prayer Breakfast
- 22 Rev Marion Latham
- 29 Combined service
Rev Marion Latham

Tom Wright spoke about the way in which we need to read the whole Bible as a unit as it tells the overall story of ‘a journey in mixed company from garden to city’ which is open ended until we reach the story of Jesus launching God’s sovereign rule on earth. Liz Boase spoke of human trauma and the way it distorts perceptions and shuts down ordinary living. Memories of trauma are often too terrible to be spoken of and scripture, especially the book of Lamentations, can provide us with language to tell the story of trauma that needs to be told before people can begin any recovery.

A reflective workshop that I attended was ‘conversations in paint’ where we worked in pairs and in silence to make paintings together that became a ‘conversation’ by our interactions with each other’s painting. I also took part in a workshop that helped us look at ways of making disciples rather than being concerned about drawing in ‘crowds’, looking at the quality of our church’s ministry rather than how many people we have in worship on Sundays.

This was indeed a ‘feast’ of information, challenging thinking, food and fellowship.

CONGRATULATIONS

Nathan Polley, son of Sue, has become engaged to Huyen Dang. We extend God’s blessing to you in this exciting time of your life.

Tom Plummer, son of Sue and Craig, has completed his Bachelor of Commerce at Deakin University. Best wishes as you now look for a job.

Andrea Lindsay has been appointed to the committee of Bellarine Bayside. Well done Andrea as you take on the role of helping to look after our wonderful coastline.

Prayer for Guidance & Inspiration For Committee Members

Loving and Gracious God, you are indeed the giver of all good gifts and we come together this day to seek your wisdom, guidance, courage and strength. Be with us in our deliberations and help us to be wise in the decisions we make for the good of all those who have placed their trust and confidence in our leadership. Give us insight to lead with integrity that our decisions may reflect what is right and good. Keep us from short sightedness and pettiness. Help us to make decisions that strive to be for the good of all and guard us from blind self interest. Finally, dear Lord, grant us the humility to always seek your will in all that we do and say. All Glory be to you, loving God, now and forever. Amen.

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WE WANT YOU FOR!!

- Film Afternoon—11 August 1.30 pm
- Messy Church - 8 September 5.00 – 6.30 pm with friends
- Garage Sale—26 October—donations and help
- Pilgrimage—9 November
- Rosters and Teams to use your talents



BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST		
Lynda Smith	10th Aug	
Tallara George	11th Aug	<u>15</u>
Marion Latham	13th Aug	
Margaret Underwood	14th Aug	
David Gibbons	18th Aug	
Bruce Van Every	18th Aug	
Ian McLaverty	21st Aug	

ROSTERS

		KITCHEN	COUNTING
Jul	28	Denise’s Team	Lesley Taylor
Aug	4	Wayne’s Team	Colleen Diamond
	11	Graeme’s Team	Glenda Vuillermin
	18	Jenni’s Team	Sue Polley
	25	Denise’s Team	Lynda Smith
Sep	1	Wayne’s Team	Margo Jones
	8	Graeme’s Team	Jonnie Mander
	15	Denise’s Team	Colleen Diamond
	22	Jenni’s Team	Lesley Taylor
	29	-	Ian McLaverty