

Another thought on the lectionary

Although “bloom where you are planted” never appears in scripture, today’s readings point to just this message. Through Jeremiah, God reminds the exiled Israelites that they are to live fully and caringly in Babylon. They are even to pray for the welfare of the city to which they have been exiled. The psalmist praises God for mighty deeds, even while remembering the burdens and troublesome journeys of their lives. Jesus heals ten people with skin diseases on the journey between Samaria and Galilee, then sends them on their way. To the one who returns with gratitude, Jesus offers a further blessing of faith and wholeness. As followers

of Christ, as God’s people, we are a people on a journey. Wherever that journey takes us, we are called to build and to grow, to share ministry and to serve, to praise and to worship, to live and to endure whatever circumstances we are given.

Abingdon Worship Annual

Ministry Matters

Rev. Marion will be on leave from October 14 until October 29 and will be away from Drysdale. (She will be contactable in dire emergency on her mobile or email). For pastoral care needs please contact Val Lestrangle (Drysdale), or Ian Porter (Port/St. Leonards)

Rosters for 27 October

PORTARLINGTON

9:00am

Managers David and Lorraine Hughes

Morning tea: Keith and Heather Pigdon

Pastoral Care: Barry Ruler

Prayers: Portarlington Lay Team

Reader Portarlington Lay Team

Power Point Joy Porter

DRYSDALE

9:00am **W@9** Jenni’s Team

Counting Sue Polley

10.45am

Elder: Jen Davis

Prayers & Readings:

Portarlington Lay Team

Door: Hazel & Angus Wyllie

Morning tea: Andrea Lindsay and Sue Taylor

Flowers: Pat Handley

ST. LEONARDS

Welcoming Margo Jones

Readings & Prayers

Portarlington Lay Team

Flowers and Brass Helen Steogen



St Leonards



Portarlington



Drysdale

Pentecost 22

Sunday 20 October 2013

From time to time, the gospel writers challenge our attitudes towards other people, as well as our deepest values. They jolt us to consider life from the viewpoint of God’s compassionate openness. God’s welcome is for all. We are encouraged to open our hearts in humility, and trust that we are accepted and loved for who we are.

(Seasons of the Spirit)

LECTIONARY

October 20th
Pentecost 22

Jeremiah 31:27-34
2Timothy 3:14 -4:5

Psalms 119:97-104
Luke 18:1-8

October 27th
Pentecost 23

Jeremiah 2:23-32
2Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Psalms 65
Luke 18:9-14

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THIS WEEK IN OUR CONGREGATIONS

Sunday 20 October

Portarlington

9.00 am Rev. Ian Porter

Drysdale

9.00 am W@9 Graeme's team

10.45 am Rev Bob Stevenson

St Leonards

7.00pm Rev Ian Porter H/C

Loose change and foodbank

Tuesday 22 October

7:30pm Drysdale Worship Team

Wednesday 23 October

9.30am mainly music

10:00 am Drysdale Coffee and Chat

Thursday 24 October

9.00am Drysdale & Port Choir practice

Friday 25 October

9.15am -10:30am Friday School

Sunday 27 October

Portarlington

9.00 am Portarlington Lay Team

David and Lorraine Hughes

Drysdale

9.00 am W@9 Rev Margaret Manning

10.45 am Portarlington Lay Team

David and Lorraine Hughes

St Leonards

7.00pm Portarlington Lay Team

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OUR CONGREGATIONS NEWS

DRYSDALE

Garage Sale Sat 26th October

Volunteers needed - those who are able to come along from midday Friday 25th October ready to set up the hall and move items from the garage into the hall. Any baked goods require an ingredients list. Thank you to those who have already volunteered their services to 'man' stalls. All welcome and many hands make light work!

Pilgrimage

You are invited to join us for this years Pilgrimage with the theme of "Trees for Life" on Saturday 9th November. You can walk or drive between each point starting at Basin Reserve then to the bike track at Reserve Road before the station for lunch. Next is Village Square before finishing at Wathaurong Reserve at about 3:15pm. Each walk takes about fifteen minutes. The Liturgy at each stop will involve a mix of readings, prayers, contemplations, poems, singing and comments. Lunch is provided at no cost.

We also need help: Drivers to assist with transport especially at start and finish; someone to cook lunch, a couple of people to provide slices. Please speak to Wayne if you can help, or advise that you will be taking someone or to get more information.

ALL OUR CONGREGATIONS

Celebrate

On Sunday, 20 October, we join with Bob Stevenson, Leigh Pope and Ian Porter in celebrating the 40th anniversary of their ordination.

A wonderful time to celebrate and give thanks to God for 40+ years of faithful service. (40 + years, because we remember that service to God's mission does not begin with ordination).

PLANT AFFAIR!!!

Members of the Linked congregations are reminded that the **Portarlington "Blooming Plants & Home made Fair"** will be held on Saturday 16th November from 9-00am 'til early pm, in the church hall, Newcombe St. Portarlington. Over 200 potted pelargoniums, most in full bloom, other garden plants, Home made Stall (craft & other useful items, yummy home made Cake Stall, morning tea or coffee (Scones, jam, cream) Come along, have a browse, maybe make a purchase or two and relax and have a lovely morning tea. Further info from Barry on 04275 13950.

Advance Notice

The **Annual General Meeting** of the Drysdale Uniting Care Op-Shop Management committee will be held at the Drysdale Uniting Church on 13 November at 1.30pm. The Op-Shop has been a very successful outreach for the Church.

We are looking for "New Blood" to sustain our momentum. Show your support. Please come along.

Low cost house for rent over the summer holidays; in Portarlington. Details see letter on the notice board or talk to Vince King

Architect work in Geelong over November or February

Dear Fellow ministers

My student president Matthew Wilson is looking for some Architect work in Geelong over November or February

I am just wondering if you have someone in your congregation who has such a business. I cannot speak of Matthew highly enough. He is a hard working and reliable servant, gentle, competent and very creative – he does 90% of our graphics. He is currently doing his Masters of Architecture. If you can help let me know ASAP.

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