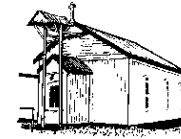


THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA



St Leonards



Portarlington



Drysdale

ROSTERS FOR 31 AUGUST

Portarlington & St Leonards

Drysdale Combined Service 10.15am

Flowers: Brenda Jacobs

Elder: Ken Handley

Morning Tea: Mary Grieve & Marg MacGillivray

St Leonards

5:00 pm:

Welcoming: Miriam Tobin



God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you sent your son to us, yet we often still do not know who he is. Enlighten us that we may be a solid rock, binding and loosing rightly in your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen
Bob Eldan, Lander, Wyoming



Ms. Terri asked her Sunday School class to draw pictures of their favourite Bible stories. She was puzzled by Kylie's picture, which showed four people on an airplane, So she asked him which story it was meant to represent. "The Flight to Egypt," was his reply.

Pointing at each figure, Ms. Terri said, "That must be Mary, Joseph, and Baby Jesus. But who's the fourth person" "Oh, that's Pontius – the pilot!"



Pentecost 11

Sunday, 24 August 2014

This week's lectionary texts draw upon the themes of liberation, justice, and the call of people to use their gifts for action. In different ways, each reading reminds us that God gives us gifts to use for God's will in the world. We are provided with a number of examples of what it means to take action and live our faith in response to God's call. It is important to note, however, that none of these are easy stories. The strength and courage of the midwives, Miriam, Moses' mother, and the pharaoh's daughter is in response to brutal killings of babies; Romans 12 talks about discerning the will of God, but seems to present more questions than providing any clarity on what God's will looks like; and in Matthew 16, Jesus names Peter the rock, but then instructs the disciples not to tell anyone that he is the Messiah. Seasons of the Spirit

LECTIONARY

24 August	Exodus 1:8 - 2:10	Psalm 124
<i>Pentecost 11</i>	Romans 12:1-8	Matthew 16: 13-20
31 August	Exodus 3: 1-15	Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c
<i>Pentecost 12</i>	Romans 12: 9-21	Matthew 16: 21-28

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THIS WEEK IN OUR CONGREGATIONS:

Sunday, 24 August – Pentecost 11

Portarlington

9:00 am Drysdale Lay Team, John & Margaret MacGillivray,

Drysdale

9:00 am Rev Marion Latham (Jenni's Team assisting,

10.45 am Drysdale Lay Team, John & Margaret MacGillivray.

St Leonards

5:00 pm Rev Marion Latham

Monday, 25 August

1:30 pm Drysdale KYB @ Lynda's

Wednesday, 27 August

9:00-12:45 Drysdale Mainly Music

10.00 am Drysdale Coffee & Chat

1.30 pm Drysdale UCAF

Thursday, 28 August

9.00 am Portarlington Choir practice

9.30 am Drysdale Choir practice

Friday, 29 August

9.15-10:00 am Drysdale Friday School

Sunday, 31 August – Pentecost 12

Drysdale

10.15am am Rev Marion Latham
Combined Worship (Wayne's Team assisting,)

Portarlington & St. Leonards

5.00pm Rev Marion Latham
Combined Worship & St.Leonards

OUR CONGREGATIONS NEWS

ALL CONGREGATIONS

Geelong Community Orchestra

Two more performances this year at Sacred Heart College

This afternoon at 3:00pm:

Celebrating Geelong's Young Talent;

Talented young local soloists perform instrumental and vocal solos with the orchestra

Sunday 9 November at 3:00 pm

Great Romantics

A program of famous masterworks from the Romantic period.

See the notice board for further details

Op-Shop Week

As this week is "Op-Shop" week we ask members of our congregations to support our local 'Uniting Care' op-shop. You never know what treasures you might find!

DRYSDALE

Combined Service

Next Sunday is the combined service at 10.15am. The service will commence in the church, include a messy church component in the hall and finish back in the church. Lunch will follow service – please bring finger food if you are able.

Church Library

Please feel free to borrow books from the library in the foyer. A wide selection of books is available. Write your name and the date in the borrowing book.

Drysdale UCAF

Drysdale UCAF meet this Wednesday 27th August at 1.30pm. Mrs Marg Cheale will speak on her recent trip to South America. All welcome, men & women.

Special Birthdays Dinner

Members of the congregation wishing to attend the special birthdays' dinner on Sunday 31 August at 6.30pm at Drysdale Hotel are asked to advise Wayne Myers.

Working Bee

A working bee will be held on 6-9-14 from 8am till 12 noon. Please come along and assist with the maintenance of church property.

PORTARLINGTON

Change of date: for the Portarlington Justice and Mission Ministry Team: The new date is Monday September 8th 7.30pm

September Fellowship Breakfast

The September breakfast meeting will be on Sat. Sept 13th, commencing at 7-30am. Instead of a guest speaker, there will be a short DVD shown, entitled "**Mary Meets Mohommad**" and deals with an elderly Christian woman's meeting with a young asylum seeker for whom she knitted a beanie and shows how their relationship develops from there. This DVD has been sponsored by the Portarlington Justice and Mission Team. All members of the Linked congregations and their friends are warmly invited to attend. Acceptances please to Barry Ruler on 5259 3304 by Thursday evening 11th September.

ST LEONARDS

The next **UCAF** for St Leonards will be on August 25th at 2pm, at the home of Geoff and Kaye Baulch. It will be 'High Tea'. Please bring your own cup, saucer and plate and goodies to eat; nice and small. Further information from Margo Jones 5257 1221.