

# THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA

God of air and sky,  
often far from our faulty sight  
yet you are always near.  
Why do we look up  
When we can look around  
to where your work awaits,  
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*

## The hour

the hour has come and this will  
frame  
the final scene of taking leave  
we are received into the One  
whose work is done,  
the hour has come.

the hour has come  
and heaven's glory  
bends her blazing head to earth  
love is named and there's an  
echo  
of your blood and water birth  
beloved son  
the hour has come.

the hour has come  
because there is a name  
for endings just the same  
as for beginnings  
birds hatch and fly and sing and  
die  
and so do I  
the hour has come  
now make us one

2008 Jennie Gordon

## Rosters for 8 June

### Portarlington

**Managers:** Keith Knights & Alf Cork  
**Morning Tea:** Geoff & Pam Pryor  
**Pastoral Care & Prayers:** Keith Pigdon  
**Readings:** Lorraine Hughes  
**PowerPoint:** Pam Pryor

### Drysdale

**9.00 am**  
**Kitchen:** Jenni's Team  
**Counting:** Jenni Nickelson  
**10.45 am**  
**Duty Elder & Prayers:** Ken Handley  
**Readings:** Bob Stevenson  
**Door:** Joy Krahe  
**Morning Tea:** Marjory McLeod &  
Audrey Shepherd  
**Flowers:** Mary Grieve

### St Leonards

Combined Service Anglican HC  
**Brass & Flowers:** Helen Steogen



St Leonards



Portarlington



Drysdale

## Easter 7

**Sunday, 1 June 2014**

The theme of restoration unifies these readings. In Acts, the disciples ask Jesus if it is the time when he will restore the kingdom to Israel. The psalmist extols God as the Father of orphans and the protector of widows—the One who restores the fortunes of the weak, the One who provides for the needy. The epistle exhorts the faithful to bear their suffering a while longer, for God will “restore, support, strengthen, and establish” them in due course (5:10 NRSV). In the Gospel, Jesus assures the faithful that they no longer need restoration, for he will glorify them as God has glorified him. Indeed, the point of restoration is summed up in Jesus’ hope that we may all be one, as he and God, his Mother and Father, are one.

*Abingdon Worship Annual*

## LECTIONARY

1 June	Acts 1: 6-14	Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35
Easter 7	1 Peter 4: 12-14, 5: 6-11	John 17: 1-11
8 June	Acts 2:1-21 or Num 11:24-30	Psalm 104:24-34,35b
Day of Pentecost	1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21	John 20: 19-23 or John 7: 37-39

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## THIS WEEK IN OUR CONGREGATIONS:

### Sunday, 1 June

#### Portarlington

9.00 am Lorraine Hughes

#### Drysdale

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

10:45 am Rev. Marion Latham HC  
*Loose change & Food Bank both services*

#### St Leonards

5.00 pm Rev. Marion Latham

### Monday, 2 June

9.30am Drysdale KYB

### Wednesday, 4 June

9.30 am – 12.45 pm mainly music

10.00 am Drysdale Coffee & Chat

### Thursday, 5 June

9.00 am Portarlington Choir practice

9.30 am Drysdale Choir practice

7.30 pm Linked Worship Workshop at  
Drysdale

### Friday, 7 June

9.15 am Drysdale Friday School

### Sunday, 8 June

#### Portarlington

9.00 am Rev Marion Latham HC  
*Loose change & Food Bank*

#### Drysdale

9.00 am Jenni's Team

10.45 am Mr John Norman

#### St Leonards

9.00 am Combined Holy Communion  
Anglican

## OUR CONGREGATIONS NEWS

### DRYSDALE

#### Annual Dinner and Concert

Our Annual Winter Fundraising Dinner and Concert will be held on **Saturday, 14 June**, 6.00 pm for 6.15 pm in the Drysdale Church Hall. Cost of the evening is \$15 an adult, \$7 child U12. Church Council has decided that 50% of the proceeds will go into our church appeals program and 50% into church funds.

A home cooked 3 course meal (GF available) will be followed by Community Singing, lead by our Choir

All members of the Linked Congregations and friends are invited to come along for a great night out.

Get your tickets today from Harvey Davis or Jenni Nickelson, or phone Val Lestrangle, on 52513125.

#### Film Afternoon – for your diary

Sunday, 17 August, Film Afternoon at Leopold Theatre – “The Butler”.

#### Revised List of Church Activities

An amended List of Church Activities was distributed last week. If you did not get one, there are spares in the foyer, please replace the copy you have at home with this new version. The main changes are to the dates of the Annual Dinner and Garage Sale, the additions of Choir, Drysdale Grove Service, Noticeboard, Open Church, Worship Workshops. We now run to two pages!

## PORTARLINGTON

#### Portarlington Fellowship Breakfast

Our June breakfast will be held on Saturday 14 June, at 7.30 am. Guest Speaker will be Ms Amy Kellahan. Recently, after setting out from New Zealand, the Kellahan family-Daniel, Amy and their three children sailed the South Pacific in their catamaran and have since settled, for the time being in Portarlington. Amy will tell her story.

Acceptances to Barry on 5259 3304 by Thursday evening 12 June, please.

#### Celtic Festival

It's Celtic Festival time of the year. This year the Preacher is from the North Wales Coast where he attended a bilingual school and the University of Aberystwth. In 2000, Rev. Sion Gough-Hughes came to Australia to be one of the ministers at the Melbourne Welsh Church, a radically inclusive worship community with its roots firmly in the Welsh traditions of prayer, praise and preaching.

As well as holding to the traditions of a warm welcome and Welsh Cakes, the Church welcomes Welsh people and, also, at last count, people from 14 different nations and backgrounds to its weekly services.

Our festival musician this year, it also Welsh. Siobhan Owen, from Adelaide, has a beautiful clear Soprano voice and plays the Celtic Harp. We hope you can join us for, what has become a great service of worship at St Andrews.

## U.C.A.F.

This months meeting of the U.C.A.F. is on TUESDAY, 10 June at 2-00 pm at Elaine and Ken Farnell's home, 317 The Esplanade, Indented Head, for a Coffee and Chat. Please note the change from the usual day and later starting time. Everyone welcome.

## FOR ALL CONGREGATIONS

#### No Fire Zone,

The killing fields of Sri Lanka  
An Award-winning feature length film that reveals the raw truth of the war crimes against humanity in the Sri Lankan civil war of 2009.

Today- Sunday, 1 June, 2.00pm

Bay Room, Uniting Church Hall,  
Queenscliff

Entry Free: Afternoon tea provided.

Organised by Queenscliff Rural  
Australians for Refugees.

*Please note:* you must be 18 yrs or older to attend this screening.

#### Essendon Choral Society PSA

*A Pleasant Sunday Afternoon* will take place on **Sunday, 22 June**, 2.30pm at the Portarlington Church Hall, cost \$12.

We warmly invite all members of the Linked Congregations to mark this date in their diaries and join us as we enjoy a wonderful afternoon of quality choral music.