



CHURCH DINNER AND CONCERT—14 JUNE

Buy your tickets now for the Annual Winter Fundraising Dinner and Concert on **Saturday, 14 June**, 6.00 pm for 6.15 pm in the Drysdale Church Hall. Cost of the evening is \$15 adults, \$7 child U12.

Why come?

- ◆ A home cooked 3 course meal (gluten free available)
- ◆ Community Singing, led by our Choir
- ◆ Part of the funds raised will go towards the congregation's appeal programs.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5 Jun—Linked Worship Workshop
- 14 Jun—6.00 pm Church Dinner / Concert
- 21 Jun—Prayer Breakfast 8.00 am

This month's services

- 1 Jun—9.00 am Rev Marion Latham HC
10.45 am Rev Marion Latham HC
- 8 Jun—9.00 am Jenni's Team
10.45 am Mr John Norman
- 15 Jun—9.00 am Graeme's Team
10.45 am Rev Marion Latham
- 22 Jun—9.00 am Rev Marion Latham
10.45 am Drysdale Lay Team
5.00 pm Messy Church
- 29 Jun—10.15 am Combined at
Portarlington - Rev Robert Renton—& Lunch

MESSY CHURCH—22 JUNE—5.00—6.30 pm

Be adventurous and come along for Messy Church with the theme "Winds of Change." Six creative activities to keep you busy for 45 minutes, then take part in the 15 minute celebration service and finish with a shared tea. Invite friends to also come with you.



Congratulations to:

Graeme and Jan Dryden on the birth of second great grandchild—Finn Hudson



Happy birthday!

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| Vicki Wills | 10 Jun |
| Renee Colley | 13 Jun |
| Meredith Plummer | 16 Jun <u>19</u> |
| Grant George | 18 Jun |
| Glenda Vuillermin | 18 Jun |
| Riley Taylor | 28 Jun <u>14</u> |
| John Bradie | 30 Jun |

Happy birthday!

CHRISTIAN WOMEN COMMUNICATING INTERNATIONAL - 35TH CONVENTION—HALLS GAP 3-5TH MAY 2014

Lynda Smith, Irene Stevenson, Pat Handley and Mary Grieve attended the Conference at Halls Gap. We drove, we sang, we ate, we chatted, we laughed, we prayed, we ate again, we walked but most of all we had fun. The theme for this year was 'By His Pattern'.

"Have you ever used an illustrated recipe book, made the product, referred back to the picture and realized your product did not measure up to the published picture?" Our Convener went on to say that our lives are sometimes like that. God expects great things of us but sometimes, no often, we fall short.

Both speakers touched on this theme.

Pamela Edwards had breast cancer, lived through a volatile marriage and has now settled into a wonderful ten year marriage. Pamela has always continued to love God and through her speaking has encouraged other women to embrace God in their lives despite the pattern of their lives not being perfect. Her voice was powerful but calm, soothing and reassuring. Pamela mentioned several times the idea of being 'others centered' as opposed to 'self centered.'

Marg Docking a Missionary speaker referred to her organization, www.wisechoicesforlife.org. She and her husband John (plumber) have created a self-help team to endeavour to break the poverty cycle in Uganda. They aim to give young men and women empowerment and choices in their lives after witnessing intergenerational poverty both in Australia and Uganda. On one trip up north in Uganda the locals said in their native tongue. 'Why didn't you come sooner?' Marg undertakes to 'train the trainers' who then go out into their respective communities and spread the message about sexual health, hygiene, pregnancy, childbirth and maternal health.

One young man came to her and asked if he could join her group. She wondered why. He said, 'My father has 9 wives and I am one of 80 children, so I believe in your work to break the poverty cycle'.

Two different speakers with a similar pattern of message, that God works to perfect the pattern, change our ways, use our broken bits and pieces and empowers us to get out there and use our gifts to the Glory of God.

The hospitality and fellowship was simply heartwarming and we met women from all over Victoria. Saturday night was 'Follow the Pattern' night where we decorated a cup cake, made a cup cake box, did puzzles, card making, origami etc.

We sang some new songs and old hymns with a chorus of angelic angels.

We returned home very tired but Spirit filled. Lynda Smith



Lynda Smith, Mary Grieve, Irene Stevenson and Pat Handley at Halls Gap



PRAYER POINTS

- | For all members of our congregation/family with health issues.
- | For those who have had to cancel overseas holidays due to health issues.



10.45	KITCHEN	COUNTING	DOOR	ELDER	READING	PRAYERS
Jun 1	Lavina/Merrilyn	Harvey/Pat H	Joy	Jen	Marguerite	Jen
8	Marjorie/Audrey	John/Tony	Joy	Ken	Bob	Ken
15	Brenda/Alma	Harvey/Bob	Wilma	John	Marg	John
22	Margaret/Tony	Tony/John	Wilma	Pat H	Lay Team	Lay Team

W@9	KITCHEN	COUNTING	FLOWERS
Jun 1	Graeme's Team	Lynda Smith	Pat Handley
8	Jenni's Team	Jenni Nickelson	Mary Grieve
15	Wayne's Team	Val Lestrangle	Wilma Mansell
22	Denise's Team	Jonnie Mander	Merrilyn Lloyd

If you took all the people who fell asleep in church and laid them end-to-end, they would be more comfortable.

Web site: <http://drysdale.unitingchurch.org.au>

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