

THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA

bread of life

John 6:51-58

you beckon, come
come and collect
your broken crumb

while all the worlds of then and now
tumble, melting into one
one body offered
time and time and time again
then,
while I stand
each second takes another
mother, sister, father, brother
each one relieved, released, received
into the time when then is now
and now is always and forever

and in this hollow hand there lies
the bread of life
and I can scarcely sense
your weight
in hands so safe and small
and yet embraced in your incessant love
you hold us
once and for all

for every single one
this broken crumb

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Rosters for 9 August

Portarlington

Managers: Marg Hutcheon, Sue Handley

Morning Tea: Jan & John Hall

Pastoral Care: Dorothy Knights

Prayers: Dorothy Knights

Readings: Elaine Farnell

Prep: Dorothy Knights

Serve: Brenda Vohmann, Graham Vohmann, Alex Eagleson

Power Point Prep. Bruce Bertram

Lawns Contractor

Drysdale, W@ 9

Kitchen: Wayne's Team

Counting: Jenni Nickelson

Drysdale, 10.45

Duty Elder: Bob Stevenson

Readings: Irene Stevenson

Prayers: Bob Stevenson

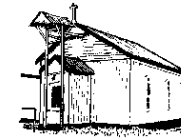
Welcome: Margaret MacGillivray

Morning Tea: Brenda Jacobs & Alma Milvain

Flowers: Dawn Edsell

St Leonards

Anglican Service HC



St Leonards



Portarlington



Drysdale

Pentecost 10

Sunday, 2 August 2015

Though at first glance today's readings appear disparate, the presence of God's gifts unites them. In John 6, Jesus states that it was not Moses who provided the bread from heaven, it was God. And now Jesus, as the "bread of life," is the fulfilment of God's gift of spiritual food and water. Ephesians 4 describes multiple gifts, including the gift of the church, the gift of unity, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the gift of leadership. Together, these gifts nurture Christ's followers toward maturity. In Psalm 51, after the ugly spectre of David's shameful scandal, and murder of a lover's husband, God lamented: "I would have given even more" (2 Samuel 12:8)

Abingdon Worship Annual

LECTIONARY

2 August Pentecost 10	2 Samuel 11: 26-12:13a Ephesians 4: 1-16	Psalm 51: 1-12 John 6: 24-35
6 August	2 Kings 2: 1-12 Feast of the Transfiguration Corinthians 4: 3-6	Psalm 50: 1-6 Mark 9: 2-9
9 August Pentecost 11	2 Samuel 18: 5-9, 15, 31-33 Ephesians 4: 25 - 5:2	Psalm 130 John 6: 35, 41-51

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THIS WEEK IN OUR CONGREGATIONS:

Sunday, 2 August

Portarlington

9.00am Dr Wyn Moriarty

Drysdale

9.00 am W@9Rev. Marion Latham
(Wayne’s team to assist) HC
10.45 am Rev. Marion Latham HC
*Loose change & food bank @
both services*

St Leonards

5.00 pm Rev. Marion Latham

Monday, 3 August

9.30 am KYB at Lynda's

Wednesday, 5 August

9.30 am mainly music

Thursday, 6 August

9.00 am Portarlington Choir practice
9.30 am Drysdale Choir practice

Friday, 7 August

9.15 am Friday School Drysdale
1:30 pm Portarlington Prayer Service

Saturday 8 August

8.00-12.00 Working bee at Drysdale

Sunday, 9 August

St Leonards

9.00am Combined H.C. Anglican

Portarlington

9.00am Rev Ian Porter

Drysdale

10.45 am Rev. Ian Porter
5.00 pm Jenni’s team (**Messy Church**)

OUR CONGREGATIONS NEWS

DRYSDALE

Choir Recess

The choir will be in recess until August.
The next practice will be the 6th of August.

Church Roof

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Roof Fund which has resulted in \$6600 and exceeded our target. We praise God for the generosity of members of the congregation and others from outside of our congregation.

Drysdale Working Bee

Working Bee Saturday 8th August from 8.00 to 12.00
Lots of jobs to do around and in the church and hall.

FOR ALL CONGREGATIONS

Loose change

The St Andrew's and St Leonard's congregations have contributed \$131.35 in June and \$121.65 in July, to help support Samaritan House and Mobile Clinics in Timor Leste.

Prayer Services.

The weekly Friday Prayer services will still be continuing in July . This week will be Portarlington (Friday 7 August)

Dates and venues for the services.

August 7 Portarlington
August 14 Drysdale
August 21 Portarlington
August 28 Drysdale

Marion's Farewell

The final service for Rev Marion Latham will be on Sunday 30 August. This will be a combined service at Drysdale at 10.15am. It will be followed by a shared lunch and presentation.

Portarlington fellowship breakfast

The next breakfast meeting will be on Saturday 8th August, commencing at 7-30am. Guest Speaker will be Rev. Ann Key (Presbytery Minister). Ann has been to America and experienced the “new way” of being church at the Methodist Church of America and will tell us of that and other things. 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 6th August.

Presbytery of Port Phillip West – Prayer Cycle

- We remember today:
- Grovedale – Rev Lian Nixon
- St. Lukes Highton – Rev. Tony Johnson

Pray for the Lay Leadership Teams and Church Councillors.
Lord guide and bless your work in our Presbytery that it may flourish for the good of the people and for your glory.

Orchestra Geelong

There has been a change of date for the next concert “ Music of the Stage” which will now be held on Sunday 16th August at The Geelong College, Aphrasia Street, Newtown

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WALK TO EMMAUS

Over the weekend from Thursday Aug. 6 to Sunday, Aug. 9, a group of women who are usually busy in their local churches are gathering at the Upper Plenty Conference Centre. They will experience a 72-hour ‘walk’ with Jesus, modelled on the disciples’ walk back to their home in Emmaus on the day of resurrection when they were joined by the risen Lord. The women will learn and discuss together, have fun together, be loved and cared for where they do not have the usual responsibilities to be anything except themselves. Marion is on the clergy team for this Walk. The Team is mainly lay people and a few clergy and is there to provide for, support and care for the women who attend. The aim of the Walk to Emmaus is to bring a renewal of faith and enthusiasm to the church’s leaders and workers. Please pray for these women over these three days. (The Walk for men has been happening over this weekend and will finish this afternoon).

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God of bread,
God of wine,
you send living nourishment,
your son, our Christ,
to fill the hole
deep within us.
Give us courage
to follow the way
that leads to eternal living,
your son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever. Amen
Bob Eldan