

THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA



St Leonards



Portarlington



Drysdale

JULY 29-31 'HOPES AND DREAMS'

EXHIBITION IN GEELONG

The Welcome Place has reached a year of providing welcome, friendship, English and art lessons, information, support, advocacy and fun, and a Friday meal gathering! Congrats to all involved. The Welcome Place provides a drop in centre in the heart of Geelong, where asylum seekers and people with Temporary Protection Visas gather for friendship, games, art activities, English conversation and to share a meal. The activities at the Welcome Place are supported by community volunteers.

The Welcome Place is holding their first Art exhibition at the Wesley Church Hall, 100 Yarra St, Geelong:

Date: Friday 29 July from 6pm and Saturday 30 & Sunday 31 July, 10am – 4pm

Come along and view the amazing Art and Creativity by members of the Welcome Place who seek peace and safety in our Geelong community. Opening night of exhibition is Friday 29 July.

Rosters 24 July

Portarlington

Managers: David & Lorraine Hughes

Morning Tea: Catherine & Alex Eagleson

Prayers: Lay Team

Reader: Lay Team

Pastoral Care: Barry Ruler

Powerpoint: Joan Kelly

Drysdale

Duty Elder: John MacGillivray

Readings & Prayers: Drysdale Lay Team

Morning Tea: Val Place & Audrey Shepherd

Welcome: Ken Handley

Flowers: Jonnie Mander

Worship @ 9

Kitchen: Denise's Team

Counting: Jenni Nickelson

St Leonards -

Welcoming & Reading: Anglican Service

Prayer, Brass & Flowers: Wyn Moriarty & Marie Alexander

Pentecost 9 Sunday

Sunday, 17 July 2016

Where judgment and lamentation pervade our Hebrew Scriptures today, hope and assurance emerge in our New Testament texts. Due to people's evil deeds, Amos proclaims that God will bring a famine of the word—they will seek it but find it not. And while the psalmist warns of the impending destruction of those who do evil, there is good news for the righteous—they will be like green olive trees in the house of God. In Colossians, Paul proclaims the good news that we are reconciled to God in Christ. In Luke, Jesus reproaches Martha for being distracted by her duties, even as he lifts up Mary, for choosing the better part of sitting in his presence.

Abingdon Worship

LECTIONARY

17 July	Amos 8:1-12	Psalm 52
Pentecost 9	Colossians 1: 15 -28	Luke 10: 38-42
24 July	Hosea 1:2-10	Psalm 85
Pentecost 10	Colossians 2: 6-15(16-19)	Luke 11: 1-13

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THIS WEEK IN OUR CONGREGATIONS:

Sunday, 17 July

Portarlington

9.00 am Rev Bob Thomas
12.00 After Church Lunch

Drysdale

W@9 Denise's Team
10:45am Rev Bob Thomas
6.00pm Special Birthday Tea

St Leonards

5.00pm Denise's Team

Monday, 18 July

9.30 am KYB

Tuesday, 19 July

10.30 am Drysdale Grove Worship service
4.30 pm Portarlington Worship team
7.30 pm Portarlington Resources

Wednesday, 20 July

11.00 am - mainly music
1.00 pm Drysdale Communal Prayer

Thursday, 21 July

9.00 am Portarlington Choir Practice
9.30 am Drysdale Choir Practice
11.00am Arcare Portarlington Service

Friday, 22 July

9.15 am - Friday School

Sunday, 24 July

Portarlington

9.00 am Malcolm Campbell

Drysdale

W@9 Graeme's Team
10:45am Graeme's Team

St Leonards

5.00pm Anglican Led

OUR CONGREGATIONS NEWS

DRYSDALE

Shoe Box Appeal

The annual shoe box appeal will kick off in early July.

The boxes include

- something for school
- something to wear
- something to love
- something to play with
- an item of hygiene
- something special

No liquids, toothpaste, war toys, dice, play dough.

Special Birthday Tea

Members who would like to attend the birthday tea on Sunday 17 July at 6pm at Clifton Springs Golf Club are asked to write their name on the list in the foyer.

Loose Change

Thank you everyone for this month's contribution of \$100.90. This brings our tally for the year to \$794 which is almost half of our target.

PORTARLINGTON

Manager's Keys

The set of manager's keys have disappeared from the foyer area at the front of the Church. Could any congregation member who has had reason to use them in recent weeks, please check at home, and in any locations you may have placed them for

safety. A speedy return to the appropriate location would be appreciated.

Seekers Study Group

Seekers study group will be having a winter break for the next few weeks. Look out for news of commencement. Any queries see Lorraine.

Roster Availability

A reminder to complete the form and place it in the box in the foyer. Extra notices are available as you enter the Church.

ST. LEONARDS

St. Leonards UCAF

Our next meeting is Monday July 24 at 2.00pm.

This is our Sammy Stamp meeting so please bring your stamps to send to Sammy Stamp.

We will have guest speakers Chris and Kerrie from the "**NO FUSS BUS PROGRAM**". The program has been designed to teach people everything they need to know about public transport so they can use it with confidence. If you have a friend who you think could benefit from this information please bring them along.

FOR ALL CONGREGATIONS

Fellowship Breakfast

The next Portarlington breakfast meeting will be on Saturday 13 August,

commencing at 7-30am. Guest Speaker will be Miss Luisa Kamitoni. Luisa was part of a Synod delegation of young people who visited China fairly recently and she will tell us of her experiences. Members of the Linked Congregations and their friends, are warmly invited to attend. Acceptances please to Barry Ruler on 5259 3304 by Thursday evening 11 August.

Thanks

I would like to express my appreciation to everyone for their kind support while I was in hospital. Your thoughts, visits and prayers helped me a great deal. God bless you all.

Lindsay James

Social Justice Letter Writing Group.

The Social Justice Letter Writing Group will be in RECESS FOR AUGUST.

Share Winter Appeal

We certainly know that winter is here. How do the homeless feel about winter? You are invited to contribute to the Share Winter Appeal either by the Share envelopes or by cash in the special box in the foyer this week or next. Thank you