



DU Grape Vine



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LOVE YOUR PASTOR (Thank you to the contributor—Source unknown)

Pastors have a tough job. They get more kicks than kisses.

If a pastor is young, he lacks experience; if he's grey-haired, he's too old. If he has five kids, he has too many; if he has none, he's setting a bad example. If his wife sings in the choir, she's being forward; if not, she's not dedicated enough. If the pastor preaches from notes, they are dry; if their words are impromptu, they are too shallow. If he spends too much time in his study, he's neglecting his people; if he makes home visits, he's not a good time manager. If he's attentive to the poor, he's after public approval; if he attends to the wealthy, he's ingratiating. If he suggests improvements, he's a dictator; if he doesn't, he has no vision. If he uses too many illustrations, he neglects the Bible; if he doesn't use enough stories, he's unclear. If he speaks against wrong, he's legalistic; if he doesn't he's a compromiser. If he preaches for an hour, he's windy; less than that, he has nothing to say. If he preaches the truth, he's offensive; if he doesn't he's wishy-washy. If he fails to please everybody, he's hurting the church; if he tries to please everybody, he has no convictions. If he preachers tithing, he's a money-grabber; if not, he's failing to develop his people. If he receives a large salary, he's mercenary; if he doesn't, it proves he's not worth much. If he preaches on a regular basis, people get tired of hearing the same person; if he invites guest preachers, he's shirking his responsibility.

Wow! And you thought your pastor had an easy life! How'd you like to change places? Bottom line: love your pastor.



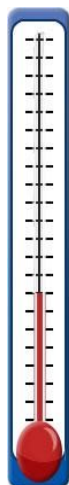
Op Shop hours:
Monday—Friday
11 am—4 pm
Saturday 10.30 am—12.30 pm



Ephesians 4: (New International Version)

¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

LOOSE CHANGE



\$1000

For Feed Me Bellarine. Our offering for September brings the total to \$246. With \$10 paying for a crate of food to be delivered to a family, we now have enough for 24 families.

\$246

NEW BOOK ON THE LIBRARY SHELF

"Called to preach" is the story of lay preaching in the churches that became the Uniting Church in Victoria and Tasmania. It gives a history of lay preaching and its importance to the development, and the

continuance, of the church. Edited by Rev Robert Renton it explains different approaches taken by the three churches that became UCA and the differences between lay preachers and lay worship leaders (basically training and accreditation). By all means borrow this copy for a read. All the books in the Library are available for your use.

This months' services

4 Sep —10.30 am Rev Karen Eller
HC & Loose change

11 Sep —10.30am Denise's Team

18 Sep —10.30am Rev Karen Eller

25 Sep —10.30am Rev Karen Eller



PRE-CHRISTMAS STALL

Please keep Saturday 5 November free for our next stall selling craft, cakes, preserves and plants at the front forecourt. We will be looking for people to donate items for sale and to assist with the set up, sale time and pack up.

CONGRATULATIONS

Angela Tutty has been awarded one of 250 places in the inaugural Victorian elite Teacher Excellence Program. Angela is the Director of Teaching and Learning of Humanities for Christian College Geelong.



Happy birthday!

SEPTEMBER

Wayne Myers
Judith Way
Jonnie Mander
Margo Jones
Denise McLaverty
Jen Nash

Happy birthday!



	MORNING TEA	WELCOME	READING	PRAYERS	VESTRY	COUNTING FLOWERS
SEP 4	Wayne's Team	Ken	Carol	Ken	John	Ian
11	Glenice & Kelvin	Carol	Denise's	Denise's Team	Ken	Margo
18	Susan & Pat	Brenda	Andrea	Carol	Ian	Sue
25	Marie & Margo	Melva	Win	Marie	Lynda	Lynda
						- Marguerite Wilma Denise

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

MOWING

SEP Lynda & Geoff