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NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2023 - PENTECOST 17

Saints come in all shapes and sizes. Sometimes you may have known them for a very long time without realising how well they fit into that category. Such was the case with Willi Msiren.

I have known Willi since 2017 when he came to Perth for the APCEP course and stayed with Ian and Amanda



Brown. He was employed by the Black Pearl Papua Foundation (BPPF – the Papuan arm of BPN) to teach in the very isolated Black Pearl English Centre (BPEC) of Apawer, two hours rough driving from the town of Sarmi. Since he started there I had become a little irritated by his scarce responses to emails and phone calls and general poor communication.

Last week I travelled to Apawer to encourage Willi's class and to take teaching resources and moral support from BPN. The trip west took over eight hours along a rough and winding road from Jayapura.

Close to the end of the road we collected Willi from the village of Niwerawa, an hours walk from Apawer, a road that Willi walks twice a day every time he goes to Apawer to teach. There is only locally generated power in the village between 7pm and 6am every day.

Electrical equipment such as a phone charger, computer, photocopier, lights or speakers can't be used during the day unless they are battery powered. There is no internet connectivity and only occasional mobile phone coverage – it's best between midnight and 1am.

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OUR CHURCH LIFE



A warm welcome to visitors worshipping with us today. We invite you to join us in the Hall after the service for Morning Tea and a time of fellowship.

SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER
PENTECOST 17
9:30 Family Service
Rev Brian Carey

SUNDAY 1 OCTOBER
PENTECOST 18
9:30 Communion Service
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Exodus 16:2-15 P.72
 Psalm 105:10-6 P.601
 Philippians 1:21-30 P.247
 Matthew 20:1-16 P.29

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 P.230
 Mark 14:22-16 P.67
 Luke 22:14-22 P.109
 Matthew 26:26-29 P.39

HYMNS SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

TiS 668 Touch the earth lightly

TiS 569 Guide me, O though great Redeemer

Overhead A man owned a vineyard

TiS 473 Community of Christ

	SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER	SUNDAY 1 OCTOBER
WELCOMER	Lee-Anne Burnett	Carol Brearley
DOOR STEWARDS	Jan White	VACANT
ELDER	Lee-Anne Burnett	Rex Harrison
BIBLE READER	Helen Bloomfield	Anne Calverley
FLOWERS	Vanessa Savundra	VACANT
MORNING TEA	Marie & Andy Yuncken	VACANT
MUSIC	Rachel Brayshaw Joseph Lunardi	Glen Coughlan Joseph Lunardi
MULTIMEDIA	Deborah Marshall	Rhondda Tilbrook

OUR CHURCH LIFE

Prayers

This week we pray for the Resources Commission, Social Justice Commission, Uniting Church Adult Fellowship WA, Uniting Church Mission Fellowship and the International Partnerships and Development Commission.

Our local prayers will be for the Finance and Infrastructure Group.

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The klasis (presbytery) office helps Willi with photocopying for his class if he happens to be there when the power is on. Otherwise he uses his own meagre teaching resources.

After meeting Willi and discussing his needs for his classes, the BPN is determined to get more resources to him, in the form of books, a laminator and stationery supplies. Not least we will somehow supply him with a RACHEL (Remote Area Communication Hub for Electronic Learning) to give him what he needs to resource his students and also to coincidentally begin to teach the children computer skills which they are completely lacking at present. Along with RACHEL we will need to provide electronic tablets to allow the children to access the precious learning materials it will bring to them. He already has a good laptop kindly gifted to him by his Australian hosts but a rechargeable battery powered speaker would allow him to use more of the resources it holds. With a laminator he could make charts and flashcards.

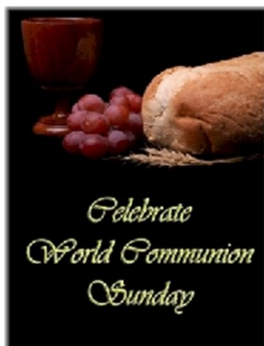
Willi has never once complained about his working conditions but he was quick to reassure me that he knows all of the people in those two small villages and he says that they are very hospitable and have welcomed him warmly into their community. His goal every day is to teach the children English, to make it fun and to install in them the confidence to use it.

What a saint!

Lee-Anne Burnett

Preparation for World Communion

Sunday, 1 October 2023



A prayer of preparation for the receiving of the Eucharist on Sunday.

Read it through and think about what communion or the Eucharist means for you and your life as a disciple of Christ in today's world.

On World Communion Sunday its history and meaning will be celebrated drawing upon the biblical texts and the challenge to grow in our understanding of how we need to express our sacramental life in new and creative ways.

The Prayer

*Met at this table in the name of Christ the lamb who was sacrificed,
Let us think of every member of the world-wide church
Who meets as we do, to proclaim the same faith though diverse ways
To meet the same God and to promise the same devotion*

Let us pray for the unity of the church

Silent reflection

Met at this table in the name of Christ let us think of every member

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*Of the human family meeting at family tables everywhere in the world
Some of those tables are full of good things; others are empty
Some give expression to creative love, others only aggravate bitterness and
hatred*

*Let us also think of those who have no family table but are left alone.
Rejected or have lost themselves*

Silent reflection

*Let us pray for the peace and communion of the whole human race
and for the wholeness of every human being in loving relationship
with God and neighbour*

From Prayer at Holy Communion New prayers for worship John Paul The
Preacher's Press.

Brian Carey

Members and Friends at All Saints
you are invited to join us for our
Spring and New Beginnings

Afternoon Tea and Variety Show

SATURDAY OCTOBER 14TH

2 PM–5 PM

IN THE CHURCH HALL



Music and Singing

Quizzes and puzzles

Good company and fun

Meet and greet Reuben

And a great afternoon tea



Please let us know you are coming by
signing the list in the Foyer

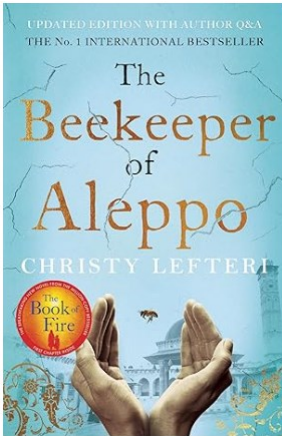
Entry free
Donations towards
Christmas gift bags and
Uniting Aid

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Saturday, 14 October
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Ladies Book Club Review

The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri



Nuri is a beekeeper and his wife, Afra, an artist. They enjoy life in the beautiful Syrian city of Aleppo until there was no other option for them than to flee the country. Afra had witnessed something so terrible that she has gone blind.

They embark on a perilous journey through Turkey and Greece towards an uncertain future in Britain. In each part of the journey, they are awakened to dangers in their efforts to keep safe. Meeting their health needs, shelter and food is a continuous issue

while they also have to determine who they can believe and who they can trust. While Nuri has to care for his blind wife he also struggles with realistic illusions of his lost life.

This is a beautifully written, compassionate story from a writer who is the daughter of Cypriot refugees. She grew up in London, worked as a volunteer at a UNICEF supported refugee centre in Athens and is a lecturer in creative writing in Brunel University , London.

Through reading this one comes away with a greater understanding and deeper insight into the plight of refugees.

DorothyCarey

The passing of Rev Alan Matthews

31.10.1926 - 10.09.2023

A Memorial Service will be held on

Thursday, 28 Sept at 10 AM at Kalamunda Uniting Church

for Rev Alan Matthews. Alan passed away peacefully on

Sunday morning 10 September 2023

To all who feel creative :

A card making session will
be held on 7 October 2023 - 9:30am to 12:30pm
At Floreat Uniting Church, in the
Page Room

Please come around the back.
Bring your favorite scissors, glue,
small plate to share but most of all
your company and your
creative hands



Thank you

Many thanks for the donations for the recent Sale and to all the faithful helpers in setting up assisting on the day and with packing up.

A pleasant morning was had, with lots of interaction with customers.

Over \$2000 was raised for the work in West Papua through the Black Pearl Network.

Claire Smith

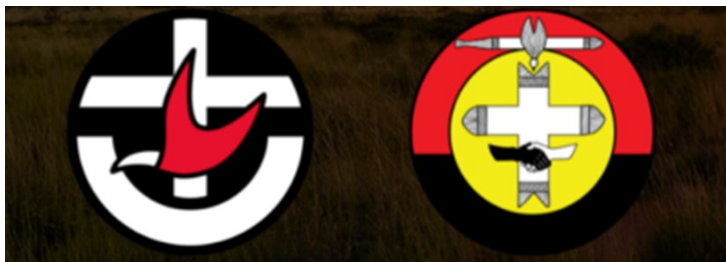
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NETWORK 

Your retiring offering
for October 2023 will
go to
Frontier Services



<https://frontierservices.org/>

Uniting for the Voice



With the constitutional referendum rapidly approaching much has been published on the VOICE by the Assembly of the Uniting Church of Australia to help guide members on how to vote (<https://uniting.church/voice/>).

The guidance embraced by both our President Rev Sharon Hollis and National Chairman of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (UAICC) Rev Mark Kickett begins with:

“At the heart of the Uniting Church is a commitment to walk together with First Nations people in seeking justice. We seek to work and pray together as First and Second Peoples for more just, inclusive and equal relationships in the church and in this nation. Inspired by this commitment, we support a constitutionally enshrined Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament as an historic opportunity to recognise and honour First Nations people and to walk together as a nation toward a better future.”

Desk for Sale



Very Good Condition

\$200 or near offer

180cms x 100cms

73cms high

Contact Marie Yuncken