NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2023 - PENTECOST 24

What happened to the procession?

Some of you may have noticed that we start worship differently now. Instead of sounding the bells and processing in with a short hymn, it is just the bells then the elder on duty gets up to welcome everyone and give the announcements.



A procession may seem like a small thing, but it can speak volumes about the identity and theology of a minister and the congregation.

In some traditions the procession involves the

elements of communion and or the Bible. Almost all processions include having the clergy with these items or alone. This can give the impression to people that the minister is superhuman or extra special. Yes, clergy have been selected and trained for the role of leadership of a congregation, to support the faith development and discipleship of a community, and at their ordination take vows for life. However, ministers are still disciples themselves, flawed human beings, constantly learning, and growing into ministry and servant leadership.

When I lead worship, I choose to wear vestments because they speak about my baptism (alb) and my call to ordained ministry (stole). I admit that these do give a clear visual indicator, perhaps like a procession, of my identity as an ordained minister.



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 12 NOVEMBER			SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER		
PENTECOST 24			PENTECOST 25		
9:30 Family Service			9:30 Family Service		
Rev Reuben Edmonds			Rev Reuben Edmonds		
* Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 Psalm 78:1-7		P.584	Judges 4:1-7 P.237 Psalm 123 P.617		P.617
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18			1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 P.259		
* Matthew 25:1-13 *included in today's service		P.37	Matthew 25:14-30 P.37		
included in today 8 8	CIVICC				
Hymns Sunday 12 November					
TiS 569	Guide me, O though great Redeemer				
Tune TiS 547	When we are tested				
TiS 687	God give us a future				
SoG 787	Christ be our light				
TiS 779	May the feet of God				
	SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER		SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER		
WELCOMER	VACANT			VACANT	
Door Steward	Jan White			Beth McKechnie	
ELDER	Els Mengler			Anne van Drunen	
BIBLE READER	Keith Bakker			Marg Smithson	
FLOWERS	Debbie Thornton			VACANT	
MORNING TEA	Marg Smithson		Carole Brearley		
	Marie Yuncken		Marg Smithson		
Music	Geoff Hadley			Anne van Drunen	
	Joseph Lunardi			Joseph Lunardi	
MULTIMEDIA	Rich	ard Smith		Michael van Drunen	

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However, I believe my call to ordained ministry also means honouring the reality that we are all disciples, all flawed in our own way, and so I like to remind everyone at worship and those watching our live stream that I come to lead from the gathered community (I don't process in from outside), and I sit in the gathered community, unless speaking, for that is the image of ordained ministry I believe is honest and authentic.

What do you think our traditions and rituals communicate about our beliefs on ordained ministry and worship?

Rev Reuben

Election of chair of Elders

At the recent Elders Meeting, Beth McKechnie was elected Chair of Elders until the Congregational AGM in 2024

On behalf of the Church Council and Elders, congratulations and thank you Beth for stepping into this role.

Michael van Drunen Chair - Church Council

Prayers

This week we pray for Central South Eastern Region Council of Christians and Jews WA.

Our local prayers will be for Papua and APCEP Black Pearl Network.

Church Council Meeting

The next Church Council Meeting will be held on

Tuesday, 21 November commencing at 6:00pm in the

Page Room.

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All Saints Sing-A-Long

Everyone is invited to come along on the third **Thursday every month, at 2.00pm** to our **new community singing group**.



Commencing at 2:00pm,
Thursday, 16th November we hope to provide a friendly space for people to meet, sing some of their favourite songs accompanied by the piano, and share afternoon tea together.

The songbook comprises songs from all your favourite musicals, movies, hit charts and the folk scene.

Last week we gave you 10 good reasons for you to join us. Here are another 10:

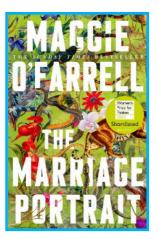
1. Singing relieves stress,

- 2. Singing stimulates immune response,
- 3. Singing increases pain threshold,
- 4. Singing helps improve snoring,
- Singing together develops a sense of belonging and connection,
- 6. Singing enhances memory in those with dementia,
- 7. Singing improves mental health and mood,
- 8. Singing helps improve speaking ability,
- 9. Singing helps with grief,
- 10. Singing together fosters trust, cooperation and social cohesion!

We look forward to seeing you there!!



Deborah



Ladies Bookclub Monday, 13 November at 7.45 pm

Our book for discussion this month is The Marriage Portrait by Maggie O'Farrell. We will meet at Rhondda's home.

Please bring your suggestions of books for discussion in 2024.

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER YOUR

Christmas cakes, mince pies and Christmas puddings

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Contact Marie Yuncken on 0410 061 279 with any queries.



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and may be viewed via YouTube at 9:30am each Sunday.

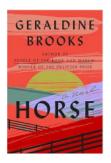
If you attend our services and would prefer not to be filmed, please avoid the front four rows of pews.

Thank you

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Book Review – "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks



A great discussion about this novel was held at Bookclub last month.

Kentucky 1850, an enslaved groom named Jarret and a bay foal forge a bond of understanding that will carry the horse "Lexington" to record-setting victories across the antebellum American south.

New York City 1954, Martha Jackson, a gallery owner becomes obsessed with a mysterious equestrian oil painting.

Washington DC 2019, Jess, an Australian Smithsonian scientist and Theo, a Nigerian – American art historian find themselves unexpectedly connected through their shared interest in the horse.

Brooks uses her wonderful story telling and meticulous research about this famous horse to explore themes of slavery, racism both historical and modern, and the pursuit of passion. She skilfully weaves all the strands together around the beautiful love story between a man and his horse. Read it – it will be time well spent!

Review by Christine Ryan



The Duty Roster for November, December 2023 and January 2024 is on the Hall Door

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered.

There are blank spaces to be filled so please check the roster and volunteer if you can. Thank you.

Your help is much appreciated.

Social Day Out - Going Places Aviation Heritage Museum Thursday, 16 November 2023

A social day out has been arranged to visit the Aviation Heritiage Museum, 2 Bull Creek Drive, Air Force Memorial Estate, Bull Creek WA, 6149.



The Aviation Heritage Museum provides a unique museum experience of civilian and military aviation through its extraordinary aviation displays, helpful guides and special tours.

The Museum's talented volunteers have designed,

donated and built a truly amazing array of aviation displays that include 30 aircraft and thousands of artefacts.

Detail: We will meet at the Church at 9-15am and pool cars to travel to Air Force Memorial Estate.

Two local guides are being arranged to show our group the planes on display.

Please bring a gold coin donation.

The museum has a café where we will have a choice of snack or lunch after our tour.

For more information, please contact:

Bob Sumner: 0439 875 818 or

Bill Gamel: 9243 4010.





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