



# NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER 2024 - EXPLORING PRAYER 2

## *Prayer Chain*



Prayer is an important part of the life of a community of faith. It is an opportunity to reflect on our community and to give to God our worry and challenges. In return we receive the peace of God and for

those who request prayer a peace often comes from knowing a community of faith is praying for you. When a prayer request is made it needs to be communicated to the community.

Historically prayer chains or prayer trees were ministries that would enable a group of people to find out about a request for prayer by phoning each other and then making time to pray for the request. Here at All Saints a prayer chain has operated for many years with a leader phoning the members of the chain to let them know the prayers for the week.

With changes to the ways we communicate, this week we are relaunching the prayer chain. The prayers will now be sent out every Monday morning by Rev Reuben to all members of the chain. The email will include the WA Synod prayers and our local weekly prayer from the Sunday before, the five or so members of the congregation that Rev Reuben names during our prayers each week, and any prayer requests that have been received. This is a ministry of our church that everyone can participate in, whether you pray while walking or pray in your nursing home.

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## OUR CHURCH LIFE

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<b>Sunday 13 October</b> <b>Exploring Prayer 2</b> <b>9:30am Family Service</b> <b>Rev Reuben Edmonds</b>	<b>Sunday 20 October</b> <b>After Pentecost 22</b> <b>9:30am Family Service</b> <b>Rev Steve Francis</b>				
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### HYMNS SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER

TiS 217	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
TiS 465	Father in Heaven
TiS 526	Living Lord
TiS 650	Brother Sister Let Me Serve You
TiS 666	We are Marching in the Light of God

	SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER	SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER
Welcomer	Ross Gobby	Rhondda Tilbrook
Door Steward	Margaret Smithson	Margie & Bruce Dangerfield
Church Council	Els Mengler	Lee-Anne Burnett
Bible Reader	James Ahn	Michael van Drunen
Flowers	Linda Harris	Rachel Brayshaw
Morning Tea	Els Mengler Margaret Wolfe	Beth & John McKechnie
Music	Christine Ryan - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Felicity Taylor - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin
Multimedia	Michael van Drunen	James Millar
Media Clicker	Lee-Anne Burnett	Lillian Hadley

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### *Prayers*

**From The WA Synod:** Foothills St Martin's, Kalamunda Uniting Churches and Samoan Faith Community. Good Sammy and the United Church of Christ in the Philippines.

**Our local prayers will be for:** Perth Inner City Youth Services

### All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week

Lectionary Bible Study	Monday, 14 September	2:00pm - Page Room
Elders Meeting	Tuesday, 15 October	5:00pm - Page Room
Open House Playgroup	Wednesday, 16 October	9:30am - Page & Buttfeld Room
KIT Group Meeting	Wednesday, 16 October	1:00pm - Vestry
KYB (Know Your Bible)	Thursday, 17 October	9:45am - Creche
All Saints Sing Along	Thursday, 17 October	2:00pm - Church Hall

### *Prayer Chain cont*

If you would like to receive the weekly prayers each week, please email Rev Reuben and he will add you to the prayer chain.

If you have any requests for prayer, please email Rev Reuben and he will ensure they are included in the next email (or sooner if it is urgent).

As we explore how we pray this week I invite you to consider this ministry as a way you can join in the prayer life of All Saints Floreat Uniting Church.

*Rev Reuben*

### *Marika Takes a Break*

Office Administrator, Marika, will be taking vacation from Monday, 14 October to Monday, 21 October 2024 inclusive. She will return to the office, bright and chirpy, on Tuesday, 22 October 2024.

## *Reflection on Prayer*

I was born post WW2 in England. My birth mother died a few months after my birth and I was put up for adoption. My adoptive parents had both served on the front in the war. My mother was a nurse and my father a sergeant in the British Army. Before the war; my father was Baptist and my mother Church of England. I was christened into the Church of England.

When I was about 18 months old, we moved to East Africa for my father's work. We lived in small communities of about 7-8 families in small towns where railways were being built. My schooling was by correspondence or with a community member who taught a few children.

By the age of 7, I was sent to a Catholic boarding school in the middle of nowhere. This was my first real contact with church and religion. We had mass and benediction in the chapel and the Stations of the Cross, blessings and prayers in class and because I wasn't Catholic, I joined a few of the boarders to go to the small Church of England church near a small village (all of us hanging off on the back of a dirty truck).

Prayer for me was that of the Catholic Church. I remember asking the priest during my first term why we had to pray so much. He didn't give an answer but just blessed me. My mother had said a prayer with me at night time, but we didn't talk about faith or God.

At the age of 11, I was sent to a Church of England boarding school in Penzance, Cornwall as a yearly border. That was quite different. There was a chapel on the premises, but less education and faith involvement. Then my parents moved to New Zealand and I did go to a Baptist youth group. As a family we didn't go to church.

We moved to Perth three years later and we didn't belong to a Church. When I met John and we married in St Aidens I was querying my beliefs and religion.

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We had our first child baptised and only really started going to church on a regular basis once she started Sunday School.

That was my ongoing building of my faith and prayer. It all started to come together for me, but it was always a mix of three religions and I still say the Lord's Prayer incorrectly at times, and I'm still tempted to cross myself. I use the name of God in the wrong way "Oh my God" and my children thought John's full name was "Jesus John".

For me today prayer is a time of contemplation with the 6 Ps in the Lord's prayer- Presence, Praise, Purpose, Petition, Pardon and Protection. I don't pray out loud but I pray in my head all the time but not in a formal manner with formal phrases but I believe I live by those expectations and with God in my life.

*Beth McKechnie*



## YOUR RETIRING OFFERING THIS WEEK WILL BE FOR FRONTIER SERVICES

We live in a society where people are more isolated, and there's less contact. Especially people who live in the bush.

We are the companion

who turns up out of the blue to lend an ear, give a helping hand, and be of service.

It's the Australian way of giving everyone a fair go, and helping other folk. And as Australia's oldest bush charity we've been doing it for more than 100 years.



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### *Friendship Group News*

Recently, Marie arranged a lunch-time outing for our Friendship Group at the '300 Acres Restaurant' which is part of Wembley Golf Course.

Our group consisted of Marie, Andy, Keith, Lesley, Penny, Christine, Mal and Maxine...and we were all pleased to have the opportunity to re-connect with each other as we chatted over our very enjoyable meals.

Our table looked out over the stunning views of the Golf Course and Lake. It was a very happy time for us all, and we look forward to many more Friendship Group outings.

(We were so busy chatting that we forgot to take a photo.)

*Maxine Davies.*

### *Thank You*

Elaine Melville would like to extend her gratitude to All Saints Floreat Uniting Church for their support of her and her family during this time with special thanks to those who assisted during the service and helped with afternoon tea.



The flowers in the church today are placed in memory of the late Rev Ken Melville.

### *Offerings may be made to the church via bank transfer to:*

Account Name: Uniting Church in Australia - Parish of Floreat  
BSB: 036 063. Account Number: 122093. Thank you

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# ALL SAINTS SING ALONG

Our Monthly Sing-Along gets underway again on Thursday 17 October 2024

Come and sing your favourite tunes.

2:00pm to 4:00pm

No auditions. No need to read music.

Afternoon Tea Provided - Gold Coin Donation

All Saints Uniting Church, 48-50 Berkeley Crescent, Floreat



**Fun of the Fair**  
**26 October 2024 at**  
**Luita St., Wembley Downs**

## **Help Stock the Fund Raising Stall for the Chaplaincy Programme**

Bring your children and grandchildren to join in the fun and support the Chaplain's YouthCare Council fund raising stall.

This Programme is an outreach to the students in an area where they encounter some of life's difficulties either at school or home. The Chaplains extend a helping hand or listening ear with wisdom influenced by a Christian background.

Help stock the stall with baked goods, jams or general stall items. Remember, any baked goods need to be wrapped and the ingredients displayed. Please leave them in the church office or at Jan's home by the morning of the 25 October 2024 or at the stall on the morning of 26 October 2024 Contact Jan White on 9385 9070 or leave a message. Thank you.

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Living the Questions –

The Wisdom of Progressive Christianity

Session 16 – Social Justice: Realising God’s

Vision



Monday October 14th from 9.30am for Coffee

then Study 10:00am – 11:30am in the Undercroft at

All Saints Floreat UC, 50 Berkeley Cres. Floreat

**FOCUS:** Being a person of faith demands balancing spiritual pursuits with *action*. In a society which is often unjust, inequitable, and whose very structures are responsible for generating untold suffering and poverty, we are compelled to pursue social justice as an expression of hope in realizing a better world.

**The Call to “Meddle”**

*“Talk about justice? Hush this!*

*We’re not supposed to discuss this – we gotta hide it in a song.*

*Gotta keep things quiet – they don’t want us to write about it.*

*Gotta make like nothing’s wrong...”*

Victor Wooten, *“Justice”*

*Richard Smith*

## *Church Council Meeting*

The next Church Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 22 October 2024 commencing at 6:00pm in the Page Room.

**Sunday Services at All Saints are Live Streamed**

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