



TALKING POINT

KNOWING JESUS CHRIST AND MAKING HIM KNOWN

SUNDAY 10th September 2017

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Our new Mission Statement front page says –

Our Vision

Depending on God and faithfully seeking His Guidance, our aim is that all my come to know the grace and love of God through a vital faith in Jesus Christ and be equipped to share that love with others.

Our Mission

To develop and participate in a community which enables people to come to faith in Christ and to grow deeper faith throughout life's journey.

It is our prayerful hope that God can enable this through the activities and relationships we offer. We recognize that to achieve this, our programs need to be inclusive, supportive and outward looking.

As a part of the strategy to achieve our mission, we pray with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to achieve these aims Church Council has supported the Opening of the Church to enable members of our local community (passers by) access for prayer, meditation, study & education; and opportunity to issue invitations to participate in other activities. We would have the building open for these purposes extensively if we could, but acknowledge we can only do what our current resources will allow.

A committee is being formed to commence planning this activity which currently will include Rev Tony, Ian Leversha, Ian Conabere, Michael Easton (as available), Greg Samson, Ian Cleater and me. It would be good to have a couple more members of the congregation to assist in the planning task also; can you help.

We trust that every member of our worshipping body will prayerfully consider how they might contribute, even in a small way, to the planning process; we will certainly need your advice and wisdom as we go so please do not be shy about talking to any of the people mentioned above with your insights.

I'll have more to say later but for now thank you for listening.
Tony Boulton



Friendship Group

Friendship Club will meet again on
Wednesday 13th September @ 10:00 am.

Our guest speaker will be Celine Foenander who
will explain the new developments at LRH.

Board games and lunch to follow
Cost \$5. All welcome!

Notices

- ♦ If you know of anybody who is in hospital, please let Tony know so that arrangements can be made for him to pay them a visit.
- ♦ During the cold winter months, the Thursday morning Prayer gathering will be held in the minister's office



Traralgon District Uniting Church

Incorporating: Traralgon, Traralgon South, Glengarry & Rosedale.



This Sunday 10th September

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| Traralgon | 9:00 am | Tuesday Home group |
| Glengarry | 11:00 am | P. Morris |
| Rosedale | 9:00 am | P. Morris |
| Traralgon Sth | 9:00 am | TBA |

Next Sunday 17th September

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| Traralgon | 9:00 am | Rev. T. Johnson |
| Glengarry | 11:00 am | Rev. T. Johnson |
| Rosedale | 9:00 am | O. Qaranivalu |
| Traralgon Sth | 9:00 am | No local service |

Rosters for 17th September

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| Stewards | K. Schlipalius S. Stephens |
| Elder | T. Steyn |
| Children's Address | M. McKeown |
| Welcome Door | B. Easter R. Graham |
| Newcomers | J. Newling |
| Reader | M. Schlipalius |
| Morning Tea | P. Morley C. Rhimes |
| Accounting Team | B. Pallot J. Smart B. Boucher H. Boucher |
| Flowers | B. Palmer |
| Grounds | A. Scarlett C. Rode |

MUSICIANS for 17th September

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| Traralgon 9:00am | K. Doonan |
| Glengarry 11:00am | M. Crisp |
| Rosedale 9:00am | J. Cox |
| Traralgon South 11:00am | No local service |

DATES FOR OUR DIARY**Monday 11th September**

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| 9:00 am | Playgroup |
| 1:30 pm | Monday Bible Study |

Tuesday 12th September

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| 7:30 pm | Tuesday Bible Study |
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Wednesday 13th September

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| 10:00 am | Friendship Club |
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Thursday 14th September

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| 9:00 am | Prayer Gathering |
| 9:15 am | mainly music |
| 7:30 pm | Thursday Home group |

Friday 15th September

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| 7:00 pm | Singing group |
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Monday 18th September

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| 9:00 am | Playgroup |
| 1:30 pm | Monday Bible Study |

Tuesday 19th September

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| 7:30 pm | Tuesday Bible Study |
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Wednesday 20th September

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| 1:30 pm | UCAF |
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Thursday 21st September

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| 9:00 am | Prayer Gathering |
| 9:15 am | mainly music |

Friday 22nd September

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| 7:00 pm | Singing Group |
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LECTIONARY READINGS**SUNDAY 10th September**

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| Exodus 12:1-14 | Psalms 149 |
| Romans 13:8-14 | Matthew 18:15-20 |

SUNDAY 17th September

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| Exodus 14:19-31 | Psalms 114 or Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21 |
| Romans 14:1-12 | Matthew 18:21-35 |

Playgroup

Monday 9:30 am - 11:00 am
during school term.



Interested persons please contact Theresa or Sue

**mainly music ...**

mainly music is on every Thursday at 9:15 am during school term. The new roster is on the notice board, please put your name down if you are willing to help. Contact Marilyn or Theresa if you have any queries.



The Prayer Vine.

What a great privilege it is to belong to a fellowship where we can show our love and care for one another by upholding one another in prayer, especially in times of need- and also to pray for other people outside our fellowship who ask for prayer.

Most of our congregation do this from time to time as it is a vital element of sharing the love of God with others.

However the "Prayer Vine" was set up many years ago to intentionally pray regularly for those who request it, and so to enrich the prayer life of our church and bring God's blessing to many.

How does it work?

You might be going through a bad time due to illness or stress, then you can phone the Prayer vine convenor, and he/she passes on your request for prayer to the others who participate, and they undertake to pray for you regularly for a week or two – or longer if need be. You can ask for any degree of confidentiality you may desire.

Or maybe there is a family member or friend who needs God's help for some reason, you can pass their request on to the team, with whatever amount of confidentiality is desired,

At present there are about 12 people who share in this ministry of our church, and we would love to include others. If you feel that you would like to participate, please the contact the convenor. This year, as for many years now, we know that many people have experienced God's love and healing through this ministry.

Alex Palmer has been the convenor for some years, but now **Anne den Houting** has taken on this task. Her phone no is **51778123**, so please **contact her with any prayer requests.**

Remember the words of James (James 5)

"Pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of a good person has a powerful effect"

Alex Palmer, Convenor



Samaritan's Purse Christmas Boxes

Christmas Boxes are still available for those people wishing to fill one to go to a child in another country.

The newer pamphlets are also available. Boxes all need to be back

before 15th October when there will be a dedication at the morning service before they are sent overseas. Many thanks again to all who either fill a box or contribute money towards postage and to all who pray for this wonderful outreach program.

Fabric Art Exhibition

We again seek your help to publicise our exhibition at Dalkeith Heights Community Centre on

Sunday 10th - 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

We would love to see you there

PRAISE AND PRAYER

As part of God's wonderful family let us pause and give thanks for:

- ◇ safe, warm houses and enough food to eat
- ◇ the variety and diversity of peoples and cultures of this world
- ◇ the freedom to practise our Christian faith

and we pray:

- ◆ for those who are cold, hungry, lonely and with no safe place to go
- ◆ for World leaders, that they may make the best decisions for the benefit of all
- ◆ for all who are faced with natural disasters
- ◆ for Rev. Tony Johnson and Bill Degnan and all who are attending Synod
- ◆ for all who are ill, facing surgery or recovering from surgery and the people who care for them
- ◆ for those who are mourning the death of a loved one
- ◆ for all who are celebrating milestones in life
- ◆ that we would all be people who seek to share the love of Christ in deed, what we do, and in word, witness and evangelism



**Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayers**

KID'S PAGE

When Someone Hurts You

"If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. Matthew 18:15a (NIV)

Based on Matthew 18:15-20 (NIV)



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