



Mountview Uniting Church, Mitcham

Nurturing our people in the Christian faith and reaching out
to the local community in the power of the Holy Spirit

Sunday 12 July 2020

Pentecost 6A

After Pentecost:

A period of time that varies in length depending on whether Easter is early or late.

In this period the Church recalls its faith in the Holy Trinity.

It seeks to relate its faith as a people of God to Christ's mission in the world.

It commences with Trinity Sunday and concludes with the feast of Christ the King.

Notices

Wonderful News from Des & Jill Kidd

Des & Jill Kidd wish to thank their Mountview Family for all the love, support and prayers shown to them during the course of Des's chemo therapy.

Our prayers were answered, and Des's lymphoma is no longer, and he does not have to have any further treatment. With our love and blessings to you all.

Recognition and thanks to Margaret and John Williams

While we are all adapting to these unusual times and missing seeing each other at worship on Sundays, Church Council members continue to meet each month, only via our computers of course, to attend to regular business items and other matters as they arise.

A decision was taken by the Council in June to acknowledge the outstanding contribution made to Mountview by Margaret and John Williams. This was first prompted by John's resignation from the Church Council earlier this year after 70 years of service as a councillor. Then, of course, there is Margaret's leadership of the Bible Study Group, her editorship of our 'CONTACT' magazine for 45 years, and later, John's involvement with her in that publication. John's work as a lay preacher over many years has also been of great benefit to us and he is hopeful of continuing to preach once we are able to worship together again.

Since it appears that it will be quite some time before we can gather again to worship together, we felt that this acknowledgement should not wait indefinitely.

A plaque to acknowledge and thank Margaret and John for their contribution was delivered to them on 29th June on behalf of the Church Council and the congregation. They were very appreciative of this gift and have enjoyed sharing the news with their family and friends.

Since then, we have received a heartfelt letter of thanks from John and Margaret and we continue to hope for their continued participation when we can all meet again.

Lynne Rosenthal, Congregation Secretary.

Lockdown Re-imposed

You will be aware that the Victorian Government has reinstated a stay-at-home order for all of Metropolitan Melbourne and the Mitchell Shire.

The Synod has provided guidelines for church activities in these areas which include:

- Religious ceremonies and private worship can only occur online with a maximum of five people conducting the ceremony.
- Weddings are limited to five people (the couple, two witnesses and a celebrant).
- Funerals are limited to ten people plus those required to conduct the service.
- No food and drink may be served at weddings and funerals.
- All community venues are closed, except for essential public support services, such as food banks.
- Shopping is limited to food and other essential items – no markets or garage sales.
- Visitors to your home, or your visits to friends or family who live at another household, are permitted only for caregiving or compassionate reasons.
- Outdoor gatherings are limited to only two people.
- Op Shops may open but the Synod urges caution and the consideration of the wellbeing of volunteers and the safe management of numbers.

Geoffrey Willis, Church Council Secretary

Lectionary Readings

This Sunday, 12 July

Genesis 25: 19-34 Psalm 119: 105-112 Romans 8: 1-11 Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Next Sunday 19 July

Genesis 28: 10-19a Psalm 139: 1-12, 23-24 Romans 8: 12-25 Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

Prayer Cycles

Rostered members for 'Prayers of The People' – please email your prayer (for your upcoming Sunday) to multi-media@mountview.unitingchurch.org.au before 6 PM Thursday.

This Sunday 12 July: Margot Kemke

World: Djibouti, Somalia

Ecumenical: Mitcham Baptist

UCA: Habitat: Canterbury (St David's), Augustine Centre; Epworth Hospital Chaplaincy

Next Sunday 19 July: Heather Barnes

World: Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda

Ecumenical: St Mark's Anglican, Forest Hill

UCA: Hartwell; Uniting's Harrison Community Services

Lawn Mowing Roster

July: Peter Cox and Eddie Short

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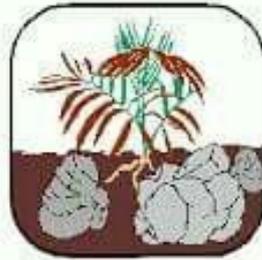
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A Sower Went Out to Sow



packed soil



stony ground



thorny ground



good soil



How's Your Heart?

(Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23)