The Uniting Church in Australia



Warwick, Killarney & Freestone Uniting Parish



Journeying Together

Sunday 14th January 2024



Jan Reid's wonderful labyrinth from Jumpers and Jazz, with Jazz Lane's beautiful signs on 23rd Psalm for reflection points through the walk.

What better image as we look at 2024 and the paths we will be called to travel for our faith journeys ahead.

Jumpers & Jazz 24 theme: SCORE



PRAYER:

Perfect Light of revelation, as you shone in the life of Jesus, whose epiphany we celebrate, so shine in us and through us, that we may become beacons of truth and compassion, enlightening all creation with deeds of justice and mercy.

Lord, we bring our Minister, leaders, people and ministries to you as we begin our journey through 2024. May Christ always be the light showing us the way. Amen. Welcome to worship and welcome back to our Church Notice sheet with our Church calendar events noted for you and also available on our <u>website</u> Please feel welcome to stay for morning tea and a chat after Worship.

Worship Services

Sunday 14th January

- 8:30am Killarney now in Killarney Uniting Church
- 9:30am Warwick
- 2:00pm Freestone H.C.

Sunday 21st January

- 8:30am Killarney
- 9:30am Warwick

Pleasant Sunday Afternoon

Next Sunday 21st January 2:30pm

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Come and relax, share some old favourite hymns or choruses and enjoy!

Bring a plate to share over a cuppa!

MARRIAGE COURSE Date Night

Commencing Tuesday 23rd January, 6pm Williams Hall

7 week course, tables set for couples and meal provided. Brochures out, please fill out and return to office by 19th January.

NEW HORIZONS

First edition for 2024 will be out early February.

Readings:

Sunday 14th January 1 Samuel 3:1-10,(11-20)

Psalm 139:1-6,13-18 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 John 1:43-51

Sunday 21st January

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalm 62:5-12 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

Blue Care Grief and Loss Course

6 week Course commencing Monday 29th January 2-4pm Wesley Room

Warwick Uniting Church For those experiencing loss. Trained counsellors, small group Flyers out now.

WUPPIES CONCERT

Saturday 27th January 2.00 pm Light afternoon tea. Entry \$15

WUPPIES are providing this entertainment as a fundraiser for the Church. Donations to afternoon tea appreciated. Jazz Lane has produced some wonderful posters. Spread the word!

No booking necessary



SEARCH ME, O GOD, AND KNOW MY HEART: TRY ME, AND KNOW MY THOUGHTS: AND SEE IF THERE BE ANY WICKED WAY IN ME, AND LEAD ME IN THE WAY EVERLASTING.

Reflection on God's Call...1 Sam 3:1-10 and John 1:43-51



Jesus is about to begin his earthly ministry. He has heard the voice of God at his baptism by John in the river Jordan and faced his temptations in the wilderness, All is in readiness for what he has to do to redeem mankind! And how does he begin? He begins by recruiting a band of twelve rather ordinary men to work with him. He is delegating, refusing to save the world on his own...training and teaching them as they wander together for the next five years.

Jesus finds Philip and calls him to follow. Immediately, Philip responds and rushes out to his friend, Nathanael to tell him that he has found the very one the prophets were foretelling their ancestors...that he comes from Nazareth. Although Nathanael scoffs about how nothing good could come from Nazareth, he goes with Philip, meets Jesus and together they follow Jesus, leaving all behind. Back in time, we read about the call of young Samuel, aroused from sleep by a voice calling his name. He does not understand until, finally, the priest Eli does, and he is able to instruct young Samuel to respond to voice of God and accept his call. Samuel obeys Eli, offers himself to God and becomes a valuable agent for God and his people.

Both Nathanael and Samuel were led into following their call by another, Nathanael by Philip and Samuel by Eli. What about us? How have we become followers of Jesus Christ? Sometimes Jesus directly calls people to follow him. It might be a very direct and dramatic call, a voice they hear like Paul, like CS Lewis and many others who have then dramatically changed their lives and their beliefs.

But then there are many of us like Nathanael who are brought to Jesus by another disciple. Jesus not only chooses to work through other people, but Jesus also works through people to call other people. That's an honour and a responsibility!... Jean

COURTHOUSE CUPPA



Approx. 8:15 – 10:30am

Volunteers Needed

Maximum - twice this term

We prepare the trolleys with home baked morning tea and take over to the Courthouse to nourish those waiting often through a long morning. Some have travelled quite a long way.

See Alison Baistow if you can help.

MARCH MARKET PLANNING 7:00pm Thursday 15th February Wesley Room

Stalls:

- Trash and Treasure
- Plants, Native & Garden
- Home Baked, Treat Yourself,
- Sausage Sizzle, Café
- ARK

All welcome to be part of this community outreach/fundraiser planning session.

CARE CORNER

Give thanks for our January Birthdays Cheryl Ackland, Tom Bryant, Ellen Kelso, Ann-Maree Clarke, Noela Dillon, Diane Coy, Ivan Hancock, Alwyn Cutmore, Marli Read, Leslie Harrower, Mark Mauch, John Morris, Carolyn Vardy, Tania Sanders, Marion Reid, Merle Baguley, Phillip Knight, Bruce Shelley.

- Pray for parents and children as they prepare to begin the school year. For some the cost will be hard.
- Pray a blessing on our groups, leaders and members as they start again in 2024.
- Pray that Rev Ansie will find rest and time for herself and family while on leave.
- Pray for those with loved ones who are ill.

Looking ahead:

Our 2024 Jumpers and Jazz, the theme for the tree jumpers is SCORE.

This is a good time to call on any crafty imaginative people to suggest ways we can use SCORE especially for the front of our churches.

Using our Bank Acct for direct deposit:

Uniting Church Warwick/Killarney Westpac BSB: 034 226 Acc: 141717 Please mark deposits, offerings or donations

Or use our QR link to donate online. We are grateful for every gift.



THIS WEEK: 14th-20th January

Hospitality: Group 2 Flowers: Marg Adcock

Monday 15th January 10:45am Akooramak Service **Tuesday 16th January** Wednesday 17th January

> 1:00pm Wesley Bowls 4:00pm Family Drug Support

Thursday 18th January Friday 19th January

9:30am Coffee in the Courtyard Saturday 20th January Flowers: 21st January Marg Wells,

Start ups!

Wednesday 24th January 3:00pm Selah Home Group

Thursday 25th January 7:00pm Church council

> School Holidays finish 22nd January Church Children's Programs commencing February.





