

# The Uniting Church in Australia Warwick, Killarney & Freestone Uniting Parish

## Sunday 4th August



Welcome to worship as we continue to journey with the disciples after the crucifixion on this eleventh Sunday after Pentecost. May God bless you today as you join in either online or in the pew. Please stay for a chat and a cuppa after the Service.



Wonderful God, we thank you for this remarkable experience of life in its entirety. For all of its highs and lows, its sweet and sour, pleasure and pain. When the sun shines on our days and rain refreshes the land overnight, when there is a bounce in our step and a song on our lips: thank you. When the clouds are low and a chill wind blows, when the day's tasks seem onerous and it becomes an effort to smile: When a full moon shines and the night seems like a dear friend, when we go to bed content and sleep is deep and satisfying: we feel blessed. When the ocean waves are gentle and bays are like a mirror, when it's easy to have faith, and our love flows without effort or cost: thank you. When the seas are mountainous and ships are in distress, when our faith seems a flimsy vessel and loving takes a determined commitment: When new creatures are being born and fresh growth seems everywhere, when children's laugher rings and young people fall in love: we thank you. Great lover of humanity, we seek your blessing on the people of this world. Tear us away from all that evades the truth and thereby adds to misery. Gather us in towards your light and love and peace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen

## **Worship Services**

#### Sunday 4th August

- 8:30am Killarney HC welcoming Scots PGC boarders
- 9:30am Warwick HC

#### Sunday 11th August

- 8:30am Killarney Catholic
- 9:30am Warwick Veterans Service
- 2pm Freestone

## Don't forget -TWEATTT's on today. Let Terry know if you're staying for lunch.

Happy birthday to our August babies:

Anne Coy - Sam Bae - Meredith Heard
Ruth Utz - Kristina Christensen
Jenny Lane - Shaun Baker
Angela Lester - Neville Heard
Lawrence Clayton - Heather Watt - Andrew Wixted

Thank you to all who provided blankets – we have enough now.

## Readings:

#### Sunday 4th August

2 Samuel 11: 26 – 12:13a

Psalm 51: 1-12

Ephesians 4: 1 – 16

John 6: 24 – 35

#### Sunday 11th August

2 Samuel 18:5-9,15,31-33 Psalm 130

> Ephesians 4:25-5:2 John 6:35, 41-51

FAMILY DRUG SUPPORT 1300 368 186

Meets in Williams Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month. (21<sup>st</sup> Aug)

Call Anne 0490 536 931

#### A CHANGE TO OUR PEWS

We want to be warmly inclusive to our families with children and invite them to sit where they are comfortable, in any pew, or close to what has become a Children's Resource Area. The Resource Area has books, a few toys, paper and pencils for children to use during the Service. There is a table in the area and children are still welcome to use it.

IN OUR WARWICK UNITING
CHURCH 8-10 NOVEMBER

Marg Wells is currently providing a list of accommodation for this event and is keen to know of people who would be able to billet visitors involved with this event. Contact Marg 0427 144 812

#### Reflection on John 6: 24-35 Pentecost 11

We may have missed the feeding of the crowds in Mark, and we have here in John 6 as well. But our passage is based in this action of Jesus. The crowds are pursuing Jesus and the disciples, especially once they have experienced the meal that comes from the little boy's lunch. (v9).

The crowds start to ask questions, "Rabbi, where did you come from?" Jesus answers them that they are only looking for him because they had eaten their fill of the loaves. Be careful! he tells them. Look for the food that doesn't perish, but the food for eternal life which the Son of Man can give them. The arguments go back and forth. They ask for a 'sign' so they can believe.

We are coming close to the heart of John's Gospel now. The miracles of Jesus are extraordinary deeds that restore needy people - the poor, the hungry and the dying. But the results are not lasting, except when they point to the eternal gift of God in Jesus. The crowds point to the miracle of the manna that Moses provided. Jesus quickly assures them that it was "My Father" who provides the manna. The passage ends with this great declaration "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

What Jesus is offering is himself! He is calling all who seek him to have faith, and our faith does not rely on us, but comes as another gift of God. How eager are we to look beyond the initial blessings to the heart of God's greatest gift of all, Jesus, the bread of life? Blessings, May



Now onto our August Market Day - 17 Aug.

Are you able to:

- Deliver some posters See Sue C
- Bring books for sale See Gordon
- Sort out your excess belongs for Brica-brac – See Jenny L?
- Do you have any plants ready for sale
   see Sue C?
- Cook for the Home baked stall see Alison B
- Cook/bring/pack sweets see Mary Y
- Help with setting up at 7.00am or packing up after 12 noon. – contact Scott Young

#### Care Corner

- We pray for the Scots PGC Boarders as they take part in the worship service in Killarney, may it be a time of blessing for the members of the congregation and the students as they worship together.
- Bless the Girls Brigade activities on Sunday.
- Pray for Tom and Margaret Bryant and their family as Tom is treated in P.A Hospital following a serious fall last week. Thank you for the skill of the medical doctors, nurses and others who are ensuring he has the best care possible.
- Pray for Barry undergoing surgery this week. Thank you for the many hours of service Barry and Margaret willingly give.
- Pray for Terry and his team and those who share in the TWEATTT lunch. May the time of fellowship over the shared meal bring joy and laughter and friendship.
- Thank you for the quiet behind the scenes continued planning for the Southern Downs Women's Support Centre. Bless all who are devoting time and effort to ensure a safe place for vulnerable women.

## What's happening this week?

5<sup>th</sup> August – 10<sup>th</sup> August

Hospitality: Group 1 Flowers this week: Sue Campbell

#### Monday 5th Aug

8:30 am Courthouse Cuppa 10:45 am Akooramak

#### Wednesday 7th Aug

9:30 am Killarney mainly music

1:00 pm Wesley Bowls

3.00 pm Selah Home Group

7:00 pm Beta Home Group

#### Thursday 8th Aug

9:15 am Warwick mainly music

5:30pm - Girls' Brigade -K'llney

#### Friday 9th

9:30 - 11:30am - Courtyard Coffee

#### Flowers next week

Alison Baistow

You can contact Marg Wells while Rev Ansie is away - 0427 144 812

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