

Weekly Pew Sheet

The Uniting Church in Australia

ST LUKE'S CONGREGATION, HIGHTON

Sunday 26th August, 2018



Worship Leader: Paul Stephens

Ephesians 'I bind unto myself today; the strong name of the Trinity'



Are you new to St Luke's?

If you would like to connect with us, complete a pew card or please let one of the pastoral connections team know so that you can be included in our contact list and invited to join in.

The monthly newsletter, St Luke's Link, is published on the first Sunday of the month. The deadline for submissions is the last Wednesday of the month. Brief, interim notices are published in a single page weekly bulletin, deadline Thursday 9:00am, and announced prior to services.

e-mail items to news@stlukesuca.org.au

SLUG - ST LUKE'S UNITING YOUTH GROUP - TONIGHT!!!

The next meeting of SLUG will be held tonight at Paul & Jenny's home (74 Balcombe Road, Newton) from 5pm.

KIDS CHURCH - CHANGE OF DATE FOR SEPTEMBER

Kids Church will be held NEXT WEEK on Sunday 2nd September

SHARING THE JOURNEY

Sue Anderson will be sharing the journey for September and can be contacted on 5241 9717 or 0412 081 608

BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION & MEMBERSHIP GROUP

Paul will be leading a group preparing for membership beginning in early October on a Sunday morning following worship. If you have been baptised and not confirmed, if you have neither been baptised or confirmed or if you are exploring the core things of faith in a group setting this could be for you? There is no expectation to go on toward membership after completing this series. Please contact Paul to express your interest.

GROWING TOGETHER IN FAITH

Intergenerational faith formation. What does it mean and how does it work in practice? Put simply, it means we are all responsible for discipleship and growth in our relationships with each other as the Body of Christ and our church communities. But if it were that simple, we would have scores of thriving congregations with active family ministries.

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In a society in which extended families are geographically dispersed, childcare is outsourced, and child-free resorts and retirement villages are becoming more common, churches are one of the few natural intergenerational spaces left. And it is in these spaces we can model community even as society is in a state of flux. To be vital churches, our intergenerational relationships need to thrive, providing places for all ages to worship and experience the transformational love of God. (Read more online at www.insights.uca.au/features/growing-together-in-faith)

Prayer points for this week

Prayers of Thanksgiving

- Give thanks for the Bible, and for the Spirit's leading in helping us to understand the depth of God's love for each of us, as revealed in Jesus Christ. Give thanks for the gift of faith.
- Give thanks for all the opportunities to serve God in so many ways through the faith community of St Luke's, and for the initiatives taken to reach out to others with God's love.
- Give thanks for those who help and encourage us at difficult times of our lives.

Prayers for others

- Continue to pray for farmers in drought-stricken areas of Australia, and give thanks who have offered assistance.
- Pray for Christians living in countries where they are persecuted for their faith, and for all those who seek a new life in Australia. May they find the assistance they need and a warm welcome.
- Pray for the victims of violence who live in fear. Pray too for victims of sexual abuse.
- Pray for the sick and those with special needs. Remember in your prayers those who are hospitalised, those awaiting surgery, those who are in aged care facilities, and those who fear the loss of independence. Pray for comfort and peace for those whose lives are drawing to a close, and those who care for them.
- Pray for those who are going through difficult life-changing events in their lives.
- Pray for those who are dealing with mental health issues, and those who respond to their needs.



What's On this coming week

What's on @stlukeschurchgeelong 27th Aug to 2nd Sep 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
	Men's Shed 9:30am-12pm		GYC Let's make music 9am-12:20pm Men's Shed 9:30am-12pm	GYC Let's make music 9am-12:20pm	Sat: GYC Committee 10-11am
Geelong Chorale Rehearsal 7-9:30pm			GYC Setup 3:45-4pm	Trekkies 9:15-10:45am	
Environment Action Group 7:30-9pm	English Classes 5:30-7:30pm		Youth Choir 4-6pm	Sewing Group 12:15-2:45pm	Sun - Worship 9:30-10:30am
Mission Outreach Meeting 7:30-9:20pm	Weight Watchers 6-8pm	Welsh Ladies Choir 6:30-9:20pm	GYC Rehearsals Chamber Choir & Raise the Bar 6-9pm		

Sunday Worship 2nd Sep		Lectionary Readings
Worship Leader:	Paul Stephens	Song 2:8-13
Welcomer:	P Seller	Ps 45:1-2, 6-9
Ushers:	H Swan & M Bauml D Younghusband & I Allan	Jas 1:17-27
Sound:	I Lawrence	Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Powerpoint:	M Seller	
Reader:	E Nicholls	
Morning tea:	A & F Safarnejad	
Connections:	J Hicks	
Driver:	P Gill	
Sharing the Journey:	S Anderson	
Vestry Prayer:	B McClelland	
Kids Church:	J Boehm & J Clark	

Please note - The weekly bookings calendar is updated and displayed on the noticeboard facing the Sanctuary. Church volunteers can check online or on this noticeboard to see when spaces are available for setup etc.