

Weekly Pew Sheet

The Uniting Church in Australia

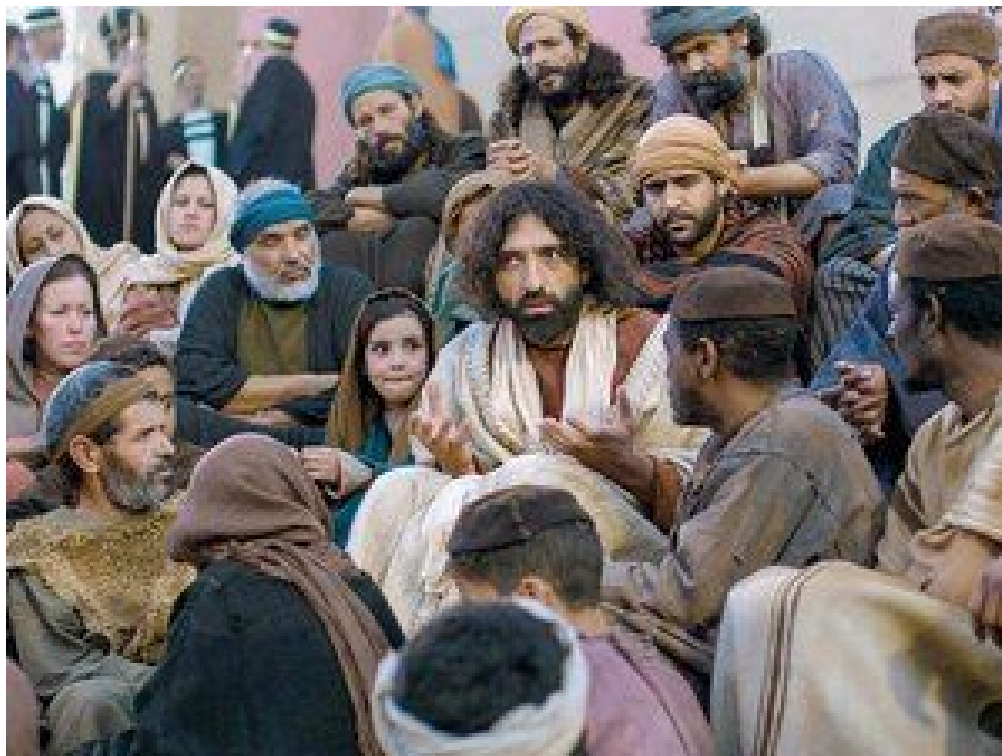
ST LUKE'S CONGREGATION, HIGHTON

Sunday 7th October 2018



Worship Leader: Rev. Paul Stephens

Theme: Difficult Issues: Relationships



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

"We are determined that this is a safe place."

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK EVENT – TODAY - 7th October

Today we are delighted to host a Mental Health Week Event at St Luke's. There will be a BBQ starting at 11:30am and then the speaker will start at 12 noon. It is expected that the session will go for about an hour. Tania Lewis, a member of the Barwon Health Mental Health First Aid Team will speak in an informative session for us all.

MENS SHED SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The Mens Shed have conducted two very successful Sausage Sizzles at Bunnings over the past week. The first on the Friday before the Grand Final raised over \$2000 and another one last Wednesday raised \$870. An excellent effort which will enable the verandah in front of the Mens Shed to be completed as well as support the purchase of material and equipment.

DROUGHT SUPPORT FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES

St Luke's Mens Shed recently purchased \$800 worth of Gift Vouchers and forwarded them to Pastor David Shrimpton (son of Rae & Keith Shrimpton), who is the Uniting Church Flying Padre based in Broken Hill for distribution to families that he ministers to who have been affected by the Drought that is impacting such a huge area of rural Australia.

SHARING THE JOURNEY

Ian Lawrence will be sharing the journey for October and can be contacted on 5243 6817 or ic.jal@optusnet.com.au

ST LUKE'S PRAYER STATION

When you visit St Luke's on a Tuesday or Thursday morning you are invited to visit the Prayer Station in the worship space. The power of prayer is truly amazing. Simply take a moment by lighting a candle as you speak to God sharing your joys and concerns. Arrive when you can; leave when you must.

Rae Anderson for Mission Outreach.



A MILESTONE FOR BARWON HEADS UNITING – 150 YEARS!

Today Barwon Heads Uniting will celebrate God's grace on their congregation for the last 150 years. Please pray for their worship celebration this morning.

Prayer points for this week

Prayers of Thanksgiving

- Eternal God, we lift up our hearts and praise you for the unlimited power of your love in Jesus Christ.
- Give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit, comforting, empowering, and disturbing us when we need disturbing.
- Give thanks for our church community, as it is a sign of God's presence in our midst.
- Give thanks for all the ways St. Luke's reaches out to the wider community, such as Repair Café, Men's Shed, English classes, sewing group, support for newcomers.
- Rejoice and give thanks with the people of Barwon Heads Uniting Church as they celebrate their 150th Anniversary.

Prayers for others

- Pray for all those who have lost loved ones, homes or livelihood in the Sulawesi earthquake and tsunami disaster.
- Continue to pray for world leaders, that they may seek peaceful resolutions where there is strife, and to act with integrity, humility and compassion.
- Pray for those who suffer from mental illness, for those who support them, and for better understanding of how as a community we can offer support.
- Pray for Kid's church and its leaders.
- Pray for those who are preparing for VCE exams.
- Pray for those who are suffering poor health, recovering from surgery, grieving, lonely, or finding life difficult.
- Pray for farmers struggling to maintain their livelihood in the drought areas.
- Pray for the Geelong Interchurch Social Justice network as it organises the Climate Change and Sustainability Forum.

What's On this coming week

What's on @stlukeschurchgeelong 8th to 14th October 2018					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
	Men's Shed 9:30am-12pm	Men's Shed Bunnings BBQ 8-5	GYC Let's make music 9am-12:20pm Men's Shed 9:30am-12pm	GYC Let's make music 9am-12:20pm Office open 9-12	Sat-Repair Cafe 12-5:20pm
	Office open 9-12		Mid-week Service 1-4pm	Trekkies 9:15-10:45am	Sun - Kids Church
Council Prayer Gathering 7-8pm	English Classes 5:30-7:30pm	Welsh Ladies Choir 6:30-9:20pm	GYC Set up 3:45-4pm Youth Choir 4-6pm	Sewing Group 12:15-2:45pm	Sun - Worship 9:30-10:30am
Geelong Chorale Rehearsal 7-9:30pm	Weight Watchers 6-8pm	Seekers 7:30-9:30pm	GYC Rehearsals Chamber Choir & Raise the Bar 6-9pm	Cottage by the Sea 2-4pm	Sun - GSO Chorus Rehearsals 1:30-5:30pm

Sunday Worship 14th October		Lectionary Readings
Worship Leader:	Rev. Paul Stephens	Job 23:1-9, 16-17
Welcomer:	D Ayrton	
Ushers:	P & I Petersen M Baum & P Gill	Ps 22:1-15
Sound:	C Mc Avaney	Heb 4:12-16
Powerpoint:	M Seller	
Reader:	D Youngusband	Mk 10:17-31
Morning tea:	N & N Mcmillan	
Connections:	P Seller	
Driver:	J Hicks	
Sharing the Journey:	I Laurence	
Vestry Prayer:	B McClelland	

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.