

Weekly Pew Sheet  
The Uniting Church in Australia  
ST LUKE'S CONGREGATION, HIGHTON



Sunday 3rd February, 2019

*Worship Leader: Paul Stephens*

The call to a path of costly love: 1



**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 9:00 am, and announced prior to services.  
**e-mail items to [news@stlukesuca.org.au](mailto:news@stlukesuca.org.au)**

## WELCOME TO 2019 – INFORMATION UPDATES AND CALENDAR DATES

Greetings from Robyn in the office! Regular office hours have resumed and we are back into planning and preparation for following where God is leading the St Luke's congregation in 2019. The Pastoral Connections team are collecting information updates about the groups and activities connected to St Luke's, and I am preparing a master calendar of dates to try and ensure that our copious energy as a congregation is spread as evenly as possible throughout the year. The noticeboards in the foyer and the website are both about to undergo a refresh and update also, with a "new look" planned that will be engaging and inviting for regulars and visitors alike. Stay tuned, and your ideas and feedback are always welcome!

## UNITING WORLD GIFT CARDS – THANK YOU

A very BIG THANK YOU to everyone who purchased Uniting World Gift Cards. As a result of these purchases \$777 has been sent to Uniting World. This money will be forward by Uniting World to people in overseas communities for the varying projects, dependant on the type of card purchased. If during the year you would like to purchase Gift Card/s for a special someone please see Jean Daw.

## INTERRUPTION TO GAS SUPPLY AT THE CHURCH THIS WEEK

Our supplier Ausnet Services has advised us that there will be a short disruption to the gas supply between the 4th and 5th of February. If you are using the facilities at this time, please take note. The heaters are the only things likely to be affected in the main building.

## NAMETAG ORDERS

DO YOU NEED TO PURCHASE A UNITING CHURCH NAMETAG BECAUSE YOU ARE NEW AT ST. LUKE'S OR BECAUSE YOU HAVE LOST YOURS?

Wearing a nametag makes it easier for people to greet newcomers and make them feel welcome, as not everyone has an excellent memory for remembering names.

During the month of February, orders are being accepted. The cost is \$9 and Pre-payment is required. Envelopes for ordering are available from JENNY POOLEY, at church or by calling 5243 4832.

## SHARING THE JOURNEY IN FEBRUARY

Sharing the Journey will be led for the month of February by Joy Hicks.

Joy can be contacted on 52434284 or email [joyh23@bigpond.com](mailto:joyh23@bigpond.com)

## HOUSING EMERGENCY – CAN YOU HELP?

A young Sudanese mother from Geelong and her six children are looking for a house to live in from 31 January. The family has applied for dozens of rentals in the Geelong region, however they have been unsuccessful in securing a home.

The mother is an extremely hardworking cleaner and comes highly recommended as a tenant by her current landlord. If anyone has a house that is vacant and could be rented to this family, or any contacts who could assist, please contact Gabrielle - [gmillar26@gmail.com](mailto:gmillar26@gmail.com) - as soon as possible.

## *Prayer points - with thanks to Trekkies!*

- We pray for our community here at St Lukes -that as we begin a New Year we may each of us feel invigorated and renewed and energised. Let our own growth be both Spiritual and Missional so that our whole church goes forward personally Uplifted and with an Outward Purpose.
- Praise for both our Mission Outreach and Messy Church Teams both of whom reach outwards to others.
- Pray for our World with its weather extremes affecting people both in the Mid-West of America with extreme freezing conditions and here in Queensland with the torrential rain and floods after the whole country sweltered with record high temperatures.
- Praise for our Environmental Groups and for Repair Café who care for our world and show that to a wider community. Let us be good stewards of our home.
- We pray for those struggling with ill health. Pray for those in hospital that they may feel the care and skill of the surgeons and nurses. Pray that those recovering at home have all that they need and feel loved and valued.
- Praise for those amongst us who feel improvement in themselves and for those who have recovered their good health. May we remember that all life is a wonderful blessing and that along the road to recovery are people we meet that we would not otherwise. Praise God for using those experiences.
- We pray for those who seek and cannot seem to find, for those that live confidently and yet need that something more which comes from fellowship with Christ.
- We pray for all well and happy people that in their fullness of life they may know the abundance that comes through Christ.

# What's On this coming week

What's on @stlukeschurchgeelong 4th-10th February 2019					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
	9-12 Men's Shed		9-12 Men's Shed	9-10 Walking Group (Barwon Edge)	Saturday 9:30-10:30 Come and try Tai Chi (Hall)
	9:30-11:30 Prayer Space Open Sanctuary	1-3 Pastoral Connections Team Fellowship Room	9:30-11:30 Prayer Space Open Sanctuary	9:15-10:45 Trekkies	12-4 Repair Cafe
	3:30-5:30 Resourcing Team Fellowship Room		4-5pm Choir Practise (Jenny's House)	2-4pm Cottage by the Sea Fellowship Room	Sunday 9:30 Worship including Kids Church

Sunday Worship 10th February		Lectionary Readings
Worship Leader:	Paul Stephens	<b>Epiphany 5</b>  Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13) Psalm 138 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11
Welcomer:	P Mills	
Ushers:	D & T Ayrton	
	A & F Safarnejad	
Sound:	C McAvaney	
Powerpoint:	M Seller	
Reader:	R Hodge	
Morning tea:	M & M Batson	
Connections:	L Robertson	
Driver/s:	J Hicks	
	J & V England	
Sharing the Journey:	J Hicks	
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.*