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A Fairtrade Faith Community

1 Thessalonians 1:4-5

For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction.

Thought for the week

A Leap of Faith. Have you ever come to a point in the road where it seems impossible to go on but turning back would be admitting defeat or giving in to fear? In *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*, our protagonist Dr Jones in his quest for the Holy Grail faces this exact problem. He exits a tunnel through a crack in the side of a chasm that appears to be bottomless. His goal is directly opposite but there is no apparent way to cross.

The book he is following has got him this far safely



having crossed a floor that collapses and spinning sword blades that could have killed him. But now this same book asks him to walk off the side of the chasm, to take a leap of faith! We see plethora of emotions cross the face of Dr Jones but even though he knows it appears crazy, he still takes the step off the side of the chasm. He is rewarded in his faith when he lands on a camouflaged bridge and is able to walk to safety.

We profess to follow the teachings of Jesus in our own guidebook. However, our real test comes when we take the leap of faith and put our beliefs into action in our everyday lives.

By John Kennedy

welcome

Morning Worship **9:30am**
led by Rev. Dr Les Hewitt

Evening Worship **6:30pm**
led by Rev. Dr Les Hewitt

PRAYERS

Pray for Annette Hawken's ongoing treatment and for her extended family.

Pray for those affected by the accident at Curtin University.

Pray for the upcoming Church Elections and for wisdom & guidance for the congregation in selecting nominees.

Pray for the young people and their leaders involved in Kids' Club and Good Samarateens.

Pray for all children and staff at the Agape Home in Chiang Mai. Pray for Owen and his work in Thailand.

COMING UP AT KEIRAVIEW

Day	Time	Activity
Tues 20 th	09:30-11:00	Coffee and Chat
Tues 20 th	10:00-12:00	Eden Playtime & Community Gardening
Tues 20 th	13:15	Know Your Bible Bible Study Group for Women
Fri 23 rd	16:00-17:30	Kids' Club Games, activities, and learning about God. K-Yr4
Fri 23 rd	19:00-20:30	Good Samarateens Games, fellowship and devotions. Yr5-8



From the Safe Church Team

The Safe Church Team would like to remind the congregation to ensure they maintain the 1.5m physical distancing as far as practical at all times. For those having Morning Tea please ensure you maintain social distancing while getting your cuppa and whilst sitting at the tables. This is one of the best ways to limit the spread of the COVID virus. If you have any questions regarding our COVID Safe Plans or the procedures we have put in place, please speak to the Safe Church Team (Gavin Whitten, Vi Richardson or Pauline Doyle) or email

safe-church@keiraview.org

Church Council met in August and the decision was made to continue onsite worship services and group activities.

We continue to recommend the wearing of masks at worship services as per the NSW Government guidelines.



English Language Conversations

Rev Doo Ah Leeming (Tertiary Chaplain at UOW) is seeking volunteers who might be able to help a group of Chinese girls from her Bible Study group. They are looking for ladies to have conversations with to improve their pronunciation. Most likely this will take place on Tuesday afternoons for up to 40 mins. Email Doo Ah at sewoo_debbie@hotmail.com

Frontier Services Fundraising October 2020

On Sunday you are invited to make a donation large or small to enable Frontier Services to continue their ministry to those who live in remote areas. Over the past 2 weeks you have heard of the wonderful work they do in providing practical support with care and love.

Now they need our help more than ever after the worst drought in history, floods, bushfires and the COVID-19 pandemic.

For your donation you will receive a certificate of thanks which features our \$20 note which shows the images of Rev John Flynn's Mantle of Safety over the outback. These images are pertinent to the mission and ministry of Frontier Services.

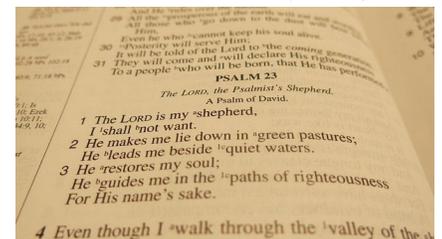
I will be available at both morning and evening services this Sunday 18 October to accept your donation and to hand you your certificate with heartfelt thanks. Receipts will be available if required through Frontier Services. *Love & Blessings, Fae*



Psalms and Prophets in a Pandemic

Toukley Uniting Church will be livestreaming at 7pm on Tuesday 20th October. As COVID-19 continues to impact on our lives more than six months on, Rev. Liam Miller (Sydney Central Coast Presbytery New Growth Minister), is looking to the ancient psalms and prophets for answers. Rev. Miller will host a panel discussion as part of his "Love, Rinse, Repeat" podcast that will explore what the Old Testament's Psalms and Prophets might have to say to us in 2020. The event will be livestreamed on their facebook site:

www.facebook.com/toukleyunitingchurch



Five Islands Christmas Ministry AGM

Five Islands Christian Ministry (5icm) AGM will be held on Monday 9th November at 7:30pm. 5icm is an ecumenical grouping that supports and encourages ministry in Christ, in unity with other Christians. admin@5icm.org.au

Illawarra Presbytery AGM Next meeting of the Illawarra Presbytery will be the AGM on Saturday 14th November.



Keiraview Congregational AGM

The **AGM of the Keiraview Congregation** will be held on Sunday 22nd November 2020 immediately following the Morning Service. This is the meeting where the election of Church Council and Church Officers takes place. Please consider and pray for this important issue.

Church Council

The term of the following Church Council members expires in November - if approached, they may be willing to stand for another term -

Lurline Butler, Pauline Doyle, Nathaniel Hawken, Ross Johnson, Scott Morrison & Gavin Whitten
Owen Hodgson (is living overseas so not standing)
(Annette Arthur & Alayne Guerin both have one year left to serve)

Church Officers

Elections will also be held for the position of Chair of the Congregation, Secretary of the Congregation, Presbytery Rep. + an alternate.

These positions are presently held by Bev Ratcliffe, Adell Smith, John Kennedy and Gavin Whitten, who, if approached, may be willing to stand again.

Nomination forms are available via email or from the church, and should be handed/sent to Bev Ratcliffe bevr@virtualcity.com.au.

Nominations close on Sunday 25 October and will be announced on Sunday 1 November.

Eden Playtime & Community Gardening

Eden Playtime meets on Tuesdays (in term time) from 10am-12pm at the church. It is a group for little ones to bring their adult carer to share and develop through sensory play, and for the whole community in and around West Wollongong.

Jennifer and Ian are often around the gardens on a Sunday afternoon between 2-4pm if you would like to join them for a coffee and some gardening. Bring along anything that you would like to plant. Many things in the garden are ripe for harvesting if you would like to take some.



ROSTER

25th OCT 2020

Flowers
Robyn Johnson

AV/Streaming
Stephen Donsworth

Welcomers
Sandy Brisbane
Pat Robinson

Announcements
Pauline Doyle

Elder
Alayne Guerin

Music
Robyn Bradley

Bible Reader
Pat Waller

Prayer
Norma Coudrey

Offering Counting
Alan Bradley
Ross Johnson

Morning Tea
Annette Arthur
Thelma Smyth
Don Townsend
Sue Townsend

READINGS

PENTECOST 21

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Psalms 90:1-5, 19-23

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Matthew 22:34-46

Please send notices for this news sheet to Grace/John

by noon Wednesday.

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