

The next PCNV will be held via ZOOM on SUNDAY November 28th 2021

4 – 5.15. TOPIC: What does Progressive Christianity look like for me?

SPEAKERS: Mr Dick CARTER - President of PCNV

Rev Dr David MERRITT - Editor of PCNV Newsletter. Further information on 4:00PM meeting to come. This will be followed by the AGM..

CARIN LAVERY'S 2022 CALENDAR @ SPACE2B

Help refugees start their own enterprise to become financially independent.

Local artist Carin Lavery is donating all profits from sales of her 2022 calendar to Space2b's creative mentoring and business training programme 'Space2Fly'.

<https://www.carinlavery.com/store/p16/>

The St Kilda Uniting Church respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which we meet, and we pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

Date	7 November	14 November	21 November	Advent 1 28 Nov.	Advent 2 5 Dec.
Worship	Robert H.	Coralie Ling	Mark Lawrence	Lyn Kroker	Mark Lawrence
Assistance	Desleigh	Wendy	Mary	Roma	Randall
Welcome at door	Wendy	Maureen	Louise	Mary	Mary
Flowers	Desleigh	Louise	Deb	Roma	Mary
Coffee	Melissa	Louise	Randall	Mary	Maureen
Rubbish collection	Darren	Randall	Roma	Randall	Louise

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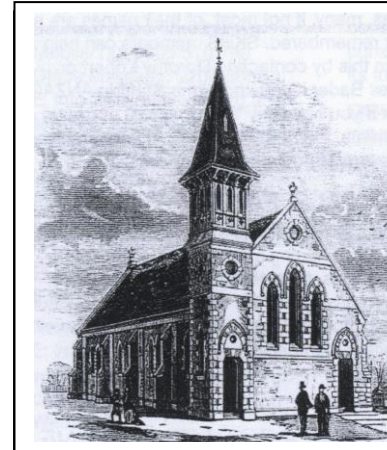
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VISION STATEMENT:

As a community of faith, the St Kilda Uniting Church Parish Mission strives to do what is just, to show constant love and to walk humbly with God.

NEWSLETTER DETAILS:

Desleigh Kent is the editor and distributor of the Newsletter. If you would like to receive a copy of the church newsletter each week or if you wish to be removed from the list, please contact Desleigh: desleighk@ozemail.com.au
Contributions to the Newsletter are also welcomed.



**St Kilda Uniting Church
Parish Mission**

NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 7 November 2021

Pentecost 24

You are most welcome to our ZOOM worship service today. Robert will lead us and Desleigh will assist. This will include Communion so please have your juice/wine and bread ready if you would like to participate. Feel free to connect before the gathering and/or stay afterwards for a chat.

Next week Sunday 14th November we will open the church to recommence our face to face gatherings. Please allow plenty of time to check in – we will need to record your vaccination status (you only need to do this once) – bring your mask and practise social distancing.

**READINGS: MARK 10: 13-16 pg. 671 and Job 1.1 to 2. 10 pg. 424
The Inclusive Bible**

Following on from last week where we focussed on TAIZE - Robert wrote about his experience: The Taize Connection.

Jill and I travelled to Taize late in the twentieth century as part of our three-month tour of Europe. I felt this tour was a kind of pilgrimage in which we visited key landmarks in spirituality, both ancient and modern.

For example, we visited **Canterbury Cathedral** where we were invited to take the bread and wine to the altar in the procession during the offertory. I had that remarkable feeling of walking in the footsteps of countless generations right back to Chaucer's time and Thomas A'Beckett.

We went north to pilgrimage sites of **Lindisfarne** on one side of Britain and **Iona** on the other. Both sites are credited with hosting those monks who designed the extraordinary Gospels with Celtic designs. **Cont....**

Cont..... At Iona, we searched out the beehive remains of Columba's retreat. Columba arrived on Iona's white sandy beaches with 12 followers in 563 CE, built his first Celtic church and established a monastic community.

I knew of Iona through a good friend, Rev Cliff Wright who helped George MacLeod in a small way re-establish the Iona community with its sixth century monastery.

We searched out our Celtic roots by visiting Cornwall and happening on a 300 year celebration of John Wesley's ministry to the Cornish miners at a place called Gwennap Pit. Ironically they used Burl Ives country and western music in the lead up to this important event.

From England we explored some great sites in France, including Notre Dame, and its sister cathedral at Chartres. I was impressed with both Cathedrals built in the Gothic spirit in the thirteenth century, particularly with Chartres with its extraordinary stained glass and the Labyrinth.

I became deeply interested in labyrinths on my return to Australia and had a hand in creating one on a friend's property at Rye.

Then on to Taize, where Jill and I spent a week enjoying the extraordinary contemplative ministry that we explored in last Sunday's service.

I was therefore very happy to hear that Trude and Tom had also gone to Taize and brought their interest to our worship life. Robert

NOTICES:

This Tuesday the CHURCH COUNCIL will meet. Please approach any of the CC members if you have concerns you would like addressed.

THIS THURSDAY evening 11 November | 7:30pm - 9pm via Zoom
CONVERSATION AT THE CROSSROADS

"Can climate apocalypse be averted? Glasgow November 2021 – A Date with Destiny". Speakers include:

Professor Robyn Eckersley (University of Melbourne),
Professor Tim Flannery (Chief Councillor of the Climate Council)
Marinel Ubaldo (Philippine Country Coordinator for the UN Youth Climate Conference in Glasgow).

Presented by Conversation at the Crossroad. Please check the website for more information and to register.
www.crossroadsconversation.com.au



What do we expect from COP26? Video shows your voice matters

As COP26 began on 31 October and runs through to 12 November, faith-based leaders are raising their voices in unprecedented ways. A newly released 15-minute video co-produced by the World Council of Churches, ACT Alliance and Lutheran World

Federation portrays a candid, passionate conversation about what churches and faith communities can and should be doing to ensure every voice is heard not only at COP26 but beyond.

[Read more](#)



Churches prepare for World Day of Prayer for Children

World Council of Churches (WCC) member churches and partners are preparing for the World Day of Prayer and Action for Children, which will be observed this year on 19 November.

[Read more](#)

163 CONVERSATIONS can at last return for one last fling for the year!

Please **NOTE** that this will be on **THURSDAY November 25th - from 6 pm. Dinner will be at 6.30pm**

All Covid prevention rules will be followed, including the

- wearing of masks inside,
- social distancing,
- signing in with the QR Code and having your vaccination status noted.

Maureen will be taking us on an imaginary trip to the **Island of St Kilda** as she talks about her trip not so very long ago when being able to travel to distant lands was taken for granted!

This evening will have a Christmas theme 🎁🎄🌟. You are all welcome!

16 Days against Sexual and Gender-Based Violence

Dates : 25 November 2021 - 10 December 2021. The 16 Days Against Gender-Based Violence is an annual international campaign that begins on **25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women** and ends on **10 December, Human Rights Day**. This year, the World Council of Churches is raising awareness on the tragic reality of Missing and Murdered Women, raising voices of faith and justice, and facilitating Biblical reflection on the root causes of sexual and gender-based violence.

[Read more](#)



Join in for a Presbytery forum sharing ideas and resources for **Advent and Christmas 2021. Wednesday 10 November, 10.30-11.30m or Thursday 11 November 7.30-8.30pm.** Craig Mitchell will be joined by some of our congregations' children, youth and family workers to stimulate our thinking about ways to connect church and home, face to face and online, worship and faith formation activities. We will also be adding a page of ideas to our website Meeting ID: 858 1718 6901 Passcode: 909337 <https://bit.ly/ppezzoomcafe2>