

BAPTISM of Georgia Grace and Bryan Barrass. Sunday March 1st during our worship service at 10.30am. Please keep the date free and join us for this celebration.

On Notice Board there is a letter from The Moderator of the Uniting Church Vic/Tas (Rev Denise Liersch) re the recent bush fires. If you would like to make a contribution you could do this at the Uniting VicTas Bushfire Appeal via the following link <https://www.vt.uniting.org/uniting-vic-tas-2020-bushfire-appeal/>.

We respectfully acknowledge the Yalukit Willam clan of the Boon Wurrung – the Traditional Owners of Port Phillip. We pay our respects to their Elders and community - past, present and emerging. We acknowledge and uphold their continuing relationship to this land.

Date	26 January	2 February	9 February	16 February	23 February
<i>Worship</i>	David	David	David	David	David
<i>Assistance</i>	Janet	Roma	Melissa	Mary	Brian
<i>Welcome at door</i>	Louise	Darren	Janet	Roma	Janet
<i>Flowers</i>	Deb	Mary	Maureen	Mary	Deb
<i>Coffee</i>	Louise	Mark	Maureen	Roma	Janet
<i>Rubbish collection</i>	Brian	Mary	Brian/Janet	Melissa/Darren	Randall

Church

163 Chapel St., St Kilda. 3182
(cnr Chapel & Carlisle Sts.)

Engagement Hub

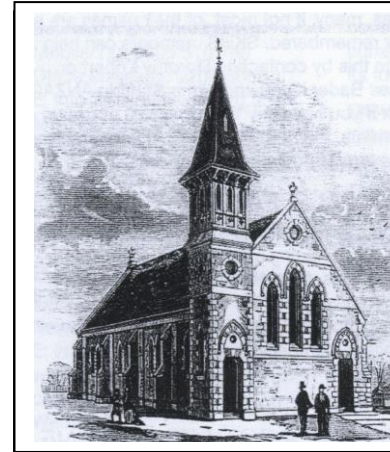
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VISION STATEMENT:

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 content are also welcomed.



**St Kilda Uniting Church
Parish Mission**

NEWSLETTER

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Sunday, 26 January 2020

EPIPHANY 3

Welcome to you all to our service this morning. Rev. David Pargeter will lead us in worship. Please stay afterwards for tea/coffee and conversation.

**Bible Readings: Isaiah 9: 1 – 4 pg. 226. Matthew 4: 12 – 23 pg. 646
*The Inclusive Bible***

From David: 2020 - An Adventurous Year

Well folks, I get the feeling that we might need to strap ourselves in and get ready for roller-coaster of a year!
It's only 4 weeks old but already 2020 feels like it's going to be one of those watershed years. Extreme weather conditions. Climate change. Corruption in politics at home and abroad. Tensions between America and whoever. Abuse of power. Eradication of termites, and building works at 163 Chapel St, etc etc etc. Around the globe, various forces of conservatism are doing battle with progressive voices that are calling for more equal distributions of wealth and opportunity.

An interesting year lies ahead that's for sure.

As a small local Christian community, it is my hope that we will at least have a go at responding faithfully to some of these more vexing challenges, as we navigate our way through 2020.
The concept of themes is being reintroduced – we had a break for some of 2019. But going forward we will spend time looking at topics like:

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- **February**
Faith and Hospitality
- **March/April 12**
Faith and Science (including
Lent and Easter)
- **April 19 – May**
Lectionary readings (I will be
on long service leave)
- **June**
Faith and Art
- **July**
Faith and Belonging
- **August**
Faith and Peace
- **September**
Sabbath
- **October**
Faith and Memory
- **November**
Lectionary readings and
Advent
- **December**
Advent and Christmas

So, let's enjoy the ride together, and make **2020** one of those years when our faith was enriched and we were encouraged to become the best kind of human being that we could be – even in challenging times.

Shalom

David

HYMNS/ SONGS.

TiS 106 (1): Now thank we all our God

Galilee Song: So I leave my boats behind

Deep within my heart, I feel –
voices whispering to me.
Words that I can't understand -
meanings I must clearly hear!
Calling me to follow close, -
lest I leave myself behind!
Calling me to walk into –
evening shadows one more time!
Chorus
*So I leave my boats behind!
Leave them on familiar shores!
Set my heart upon the deep!
Follow you again, my Lord! (rpt)*

In my memories, I know -
how you send familiar rains.
Falling gently on my days –
dancing patterns on my pain!
And I need to learn once more –
in the fortress of my mind,
To believe in falling rain –
as I travel deserts dry!
Chorus

As I gaze into the night –
down the future of my years,
I'm not sure I want to walk –
past horizons that I know!
And I need to learn once more –
like a stirring deep within,
Restless, 'til I live again –
beyond the fears that close me in!
Chorus

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The Summons: Will you come and follow me

Will you come and follow me if I but call
your name?
Will you go where you don't know and
never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown? Will you
let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and
you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but
call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never
be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your
life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and
you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call
your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never
be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean and do such
as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you
in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but
call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be
the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to
reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in
you and you in me?

Lord your summons echoes true when
you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be
the same.

In Your company I'll go where Your
love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you
and you in me.

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NOTICES:

TODAY Sunday 26 January, 6 am to 7 am at Alfred Square, St Kilda. The Mayor and Councillors of the City of Port Phillip would like to invite you to **We-Akon Dilinja (Mourning Reflection)**. Please note: In extreme weather the event will be held at St Kilda Town Hall

163 CONVERSATIONS. The next evening will be **Tuesday February 11th at 6.15 for 6.30pm at the church.** Our guest speakers will be **Janet and Brian** who will talk about aspects of their overseas journey last year. For catering purposes please let them know if you are coming (Janet 0417 670 132)Do hope you can come - another fascinating night!

CHURCH DINNER – A change of Date and Place. NOW Saturday February 22, at Janet and Brian's home in Southbank.. Please let J and B know of your attendance and meal contribution by email – janetsnashall@gmail.com or phone 0417 670 132 (J) or add to list on Notice Board.