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The News and Views of the
Murrumbeena Uniting Church



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gospel in word and deed

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ORGANISATIONS AND GROUPS

- Community Garden
- Craft Circle
- Drop In/Coffee with Jay
- Adult Fellowship
- Friendship Fellas (Men's Group)
- LIFT (Women's Group)

THE CHURCH

- Adult Bible Studies
- Pastoral Care
- Worship Band
- Lending Library

YOUNG ADULTS (18-35)

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- Sonder Collective
- Sonderfy
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- Sunday Brunch

YOUTH (13-17)

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- Youthy

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

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 - » Family Craft Days
 - » Family Movie Days
- Kids
 - » Countdown to Christmas
 - » Kids' Time
- mainly music

USEFUL LINKS ON THE INTERNET

As well as our own website at <https://www.murrumbeenauniting.org.au> you might find the following links of interest (if you haven't already).

Live stream of 10:00am Worship and Service:

[facebook.com/murrumbeenauniting/](https://www.facebook.com/murrumbeenauniting/)
[murrumbeenauniting.online.church](https://www.murrumbeenauniting.online.church)

Recorded Service (view anytime on YouTube)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-v0xIBPkGfZJcOl062yCjg/>

Welcome to this latest edition of the *MUC MAG*, and this time it is a "proper" edition. By this I mean having the right number of pages. I'm sure that you can appreciate that any sort of booklet publication should have its number of pages as a multiple of 4 (4, 8, 12, 16, etc.). Despite producing a variety of publications since 1992, somehow I lost the plot with the previous edition as it had only 14 pages, so had to be stapled rather than folded. My thanks to Sue in the office for adapting and doing the printing and stapling.

So this is a proper edition, with 16 pages. Every one of these pages (except the front cover) is filled with interesting things to read, or do (in the case of the puzzles pages). There are the regular features from the Minister, from Kelly on the topic of younger people in our Christian community, and from Zak on aspects of his Children's ministry.

There is a lot more besides these. Kelly has given us a report on the UCA Assembly that was held earlier this year. Another event in early May was the presentation of medals to relatives of three Australian missionaries who were recognised by the Government of the Republic of Korea for their outstanding contributions to independence and national foundation. Glynis Ramsay attended this ceremony and has given a brief report. She has also updated us on the latest news regarding the Community Garden, and also a particular project to which the Craft and Knitting Group has contributed.

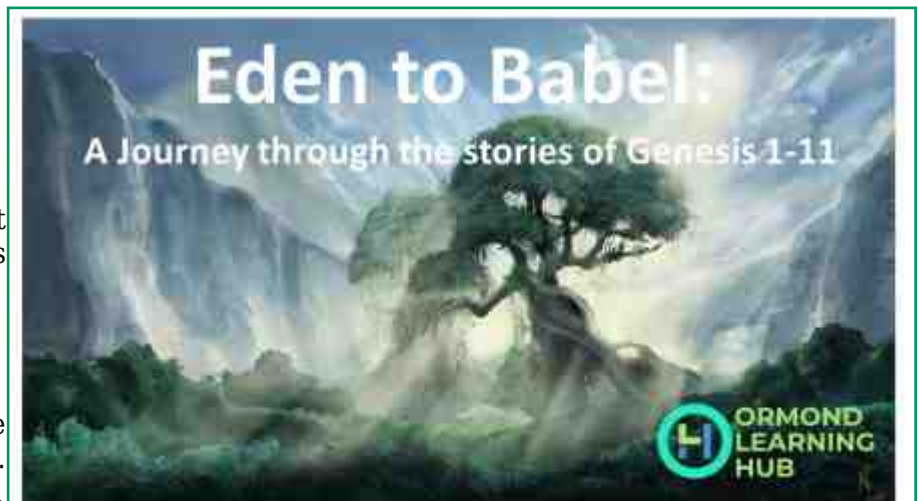
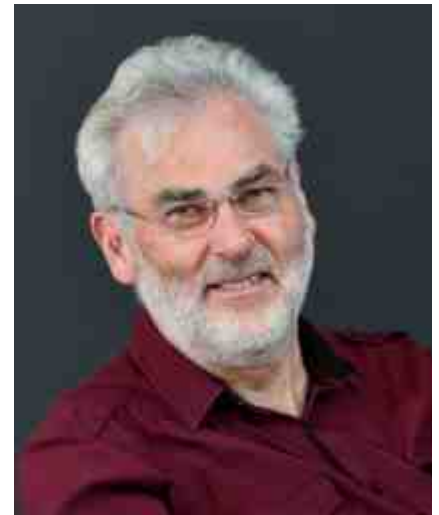
Thanks to Christina Linforth-Barker's ingenuity, we have another Wordsearch puzzle - this time the left-over letters form a quotation that is particularly apt for Winter. They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so without words, there is a photo of the ladies at their shared breakfast in late April, at which there were discussions about the Dutch Masters, no doubt initiated by Mary-Lou's Dutch heritage and the book she is displaying in the photo.

At right is a poster advertising a study series being conducted through the Ormond Uniting Church. A full-size version of the poster is on one of the walls in our church foyer. The worship committee thought that some of our MUC members might be interested in participating, hence this inclusion in the *MUC MAG*.

Blessings upon you.

Roger McCowan

Please e-mail articles to: triumphguru@gmail.com, or hand them to Roger on a Sunday, preferably no later than 17th July.



This year the Ormond Learning Hub presents as its winter course **'Eden to Babel: A Journey through the stories of Genesis 1-11'**. We will explore the creation stories, Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, the murder of Abel by his brother Cain, Noah's Ark in the Great Flood and the Tower of Babel. We will challenge the notion that these stories are literal history, scientific facts or irrelevant myths. Instead we will discover the powerful, problematic and inspiring role they have played in our culture, in our understanding of God and in how they can shape us as disciples.

Ormond Learning Hub, an offering of Ormond Uniting Church, is a safe, friendly and collaborative learning environment focused on faith formation.

When: Thursday nights from June 2nd
How long: 2 x 6 weeks (no session July 14)
Cost: First session free trial, \$60 per six week block
Where: Live online via Zoom
Reading material: Provided
Facilitator: Brad Denniston
Enquiries and bookings:
ormondlearninghub@gmail.com or call or SMS Brad on 0411 864 774

Quotes from previous courses

"I really enjoyed the rich diversity of materials, articles, quotes, video clips, art and alternative views."

"Brad brings a freshness and competence which are such great gifts he has to offer."

"I appreciate the style of facilitation, the warmth and encouragement - and the challenge to look a little deeper."

For more information go to ormondunitingchurch.org/ormond-learning-hub

Rev Jay Robinson

This next couple of months lead us out of Autumn and into winter. Staying inside becomes the norm and the nights are getting darker. As it can sometimes be a challenge to gather in this season, we can be thankful that we have technology to help us connect with each other even when it is too cold or wet to venture outside.

Liturgically we are in the season of Pentecost - or at least we will be from June 12th. This season is marked by the colour green and is the longest season in the church year. For us, that means exploring the book of Acts and some of the letters or epistles, and then some space for us to explore a series or two.

As I reflect on the last couple of months and look forward to the next 2 there are some highlights I want to share.

Easter is always a busy time, but this year I believe our time spent in John's chapters 18 and 19 gave us some new understandings and knowledge of the trial process for Jesus and his disciples. Our theme of Turn Turn Turn helped us to explore the journey from one viewpoint or action to another that was the opposite. Questions of power, of perception and of recognition were all part of our reflections at this time.

Holy Week allowed us to gather each night for reflection and prayer, Thursday night was a little different in format, no washing of hands, but still space in the 'garden' as John tells the story of that last meal. I always find Good Friday to be confronting and full of emotion. I want to thank all those who took part in our Good Friday Telling, especially Alison who moved us through the story so well. It was great to hear the voices of Peter, Venora, Amy, Doug and Carol, Josh, Kelly, Nick, John, Zak and Zen and Phoenix. To stay and share homemade Hot Cross Buns in the hall allowed us to come together as community as we munched and talked the time away. This was the first year that we've done anything on Holy Saturday, and I was happy to personally take the time on this day to prepare for Sunday. It was great to spend some of it with Christina and her mum as we chatted, explored the stations of the cross and then cleaned and reset the worship space for Sunday morning.

The season of Easter (which starts on Easter Sunday) comes next in our liturgical calendar and lasts until Pentecost which is Sunday 5th June. During this time, we have been reading from the Acts of the Apostles, which tells of what happened with the disciples after Jesus' resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit. Our theme during this time was Terms of Resurrection. The resurrection of the Son of God meant that things would be different and so we've been reflecting on what just might mean for us in the world today. It is exactly what the Acts of the Apostles is all about!

June and July will see us continue to explore what it means to be followers of Christ today, how it affects our behaviour, our perceptions, and our actions. We'll be thinking about just what makes Murrumbeena Uniting Murrumbeena Uniting. How we be community with each other as well as those around us.

It is a time of challenge and excitement. A time of reflection and discernment. A time that we can explore new possibilities, consider what to let go and what to pick up. Kelly is going to kick us off in our discernment and I will continue when I return from leave. Speaking of leave Bruce and I are off to see Steph whom we haven't seen since 2019, taking some well needed leave, and some study leave for me as well. Behave whilst I'm away!

Blessings



READINGS FOR JUNE/JULY 2022

This time after the celebration of Pentecost takes us out of the Narrative Lectionary and gives us the opportunity to explore some slightly different themes and concepts.

Kelly will continue leading us in our worship during June with the one exception when Rev Duncan Macleod, Presbytery Minister Team Leader, will lead worship on 12th June, and Roger McCowan on 3rd July when Kelly, Zak, myself and a couple of others of us will be at the Synod meeting.

We had promised to do some work on exploring the Community Commitment statement we shared when we returned to in person worship in December last year and you can see above that is scheduled for July and throughout August. Once we hit September we will return to the Narrative Lectionary readings with our gospel focus being Luke.

Rev Jay Robinson

5 th June	Acts 2:1-21	Pentecost Sunday - (Kelly preaching)
12 th June		Rev Duncan Macleod preaching
19 th June		Identity - (Kelly preaching)
26 th June		Identity - (Kelly preaching)
3 rd July	Galatians 6: (1-6), 7-16	Roger McCowan preaching
10 th July	John 15:1-17	Confirmation & Communion - Love one another
17 th July	Matt 18:1-5	Being Community - Grace
26 th July	Matt 18:6-9	Being Community - Reconciliation
31 st July	Matt 18:21-22	Being Community - Respect
7 th August	Matt 18:23-24	Being Community - one another

CONTACTS FOR GROUPS

The calendar of events is on page 15. The contact details for the various groups that host these events are given below.

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LIFT
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Murrumbeena Uniting Afternoon Fellowship Group
Anne Don 9578 4217

Knitting and Craft Circle
Glynis Ramsay 0407 506 662

Murrumbeena Community Garden
Kay Pentland Glynis Ramsay 0407 506 662

Sonderfy
Kelly Skilton 0432 714 758

Lending Library
Anne Don 9578 4217

Women's Bible Study
Alison Campbell Rate 0438 569 690

WHERE ARE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE?

This question seems to be coming up a fair bit around Murrumbeena Uniting, and the answer is 'we are right here!'. Along with being nearly a quarter of the morning worshipping community, the young adults are a major contributor to the roster around the church, present in the music team and they are a good handful on the Church Council AND there are many moments throughout the week for young people to connect in to.

Faith development and discipleship is not only a core component of the role of the church, but it is vital in the life of our adolescent community (which is 11-years-old all the way up to 30-years-old). This is why churches dedicate specific roles and people to help grow and develop these areas, as questions of 'Who am I?', "Where do I belong?" and 'Why am I here?' are the biggest questions young people are asking during this stage of life. This is why we offer more than just a Sunday morning, as having spaces for people to chat, question, ponder and experiment with their understanding of God is vital for lifelong discipleship; a Sunday morning can only help with one competent of this.

Have you ever wondered what happens during these moments? Well, more than young people are able to come along to them, so if you want to engage in these discussions outside Sunday morning then you know where to go. If you have missed the calendar in the previous MUC MAGs, just get in touch with Kelly as there is a monthly calendar that is shared across emails, messenger groups, text messages and social media at the beginning of each month. We see anywhere from 40-70 people connecting in across each week - and nearly 20 of these young people call Murrumbeena Uniting 'home'.

Across the LARGE number of ways for young people to connect in (including State Youth Games Camp that is coming up this June), there are three specific ways that our Murrumbeena young people are connecting together:

The Monday Night community gather online every single week where we spend 30-40 minutes talking about the lectionary reading from the previous week. We follow the RCL, and so it is an awesome time for extra learning and questions.

Fortnightly on Wednesday and Thursday there are two different bible study communities - one meets online, and the other meets in person with a mixture of online, as it is easier for people to access and connect together. Both of these study

groups spend two hours where we pray and look at a specific topic - currently we are doing a series on 'Worship', helping us form a better understanding of the purpose of worship in their own lives. After we finish the Worship series, we will be connecting in with 'Relationships' and then 'Character'.

On the first and third Sunday of the month we have Night Church. Currently we are in a series on 'Identity'. 'What is God saying to you?' and 'What are you saying to yourself?' are our major questions shaping these services. 'Coming back' out of lockdowns, into new restrictions, relationships, friendships, workplaces, new bodies—even new thoughts on faith—means the question of 'Who am I?' seems constantly up in the air at the moment - so the Night service is a place where we are able to have this conversation. There are a couple of pictures from the last two Night Church services, where we reflected on 'The Nature of God and Me.'

P.s. Kelly Skilton



It has been a full and rewarding couple of months in the life of our Church. I feel so very privileged and honoured to be part of Murrumbeena Uniting Church. Some of the key highlights from the past couple of months are as follows: The Street Party for Neighbour Day, the working bee, Easter, Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program and an annual Ministry Team planning day.

The street party was a huge success, we were blessed with stunning weather, we had some incredible market stalls, outstanding music, fun giant games (kindly provided by the Salvation Army), a balloonologist, face painting, a Rotary provided barbecue, popcorn and fairy floss, and even a robotic ice cream truck. We have heard very positive reports, had many smiling faces and even interacted with a variety of community members who were wandering by. The event got great promotion, I acquired the real estate board kindly donated by Ray White. I also managed to organise having the event promoted on community radio. Murrumbeena Primary School also agreed to put up posters promoting the event and we had new families from the school join us on the day. As I am sure you can imagine, events like this do not happen over night. Thanks to Glynis, Taine and Nirsa who helped with the behind the scenes set up, for Kay who helped us pack away and thanks to anyone else I may have missed. Thanks to Alison and Paul for staffing the Church stall at the market, Faye and friends from Caulfield Rotary for providing a scrumptious barbecue, Peter for single handedly cooking and serving fairy floss and popcorn for all to enjoy and Ash for her incredible face painting skills. A special

thanks to Nick, Greg and Doug for making the giant games possible, as they picked them up and returned them to the facility.

For those who may not know we recently had a Working Bee which was a huge success, we got to rearrange the Church space, the foyer, the kids room and the kids storage space out the back, it is a welcome and life-giving change. Thanks so much to all those who were involved, it was a great team effort and by my calculations we did 34 hours of manual labour, so well done team. It is great to have such an active and dedicated congregation who are a part of the life of the church and the wider community.

Easter time, what a special and magical season it was. I was honoured to be included alongside Kelly and Jay in some of the services throughout Holy Week. In terms of kids Ministry, I prepared Holy Week in a box for the families (see attached photo), a little at home devotion which was shared with most of the families. Thanks to Peter and Doug who helped me make said boxes. One child's response to receiving the Holy Week box was "I really, really like it, I love it!" That was great to hear this feedback. Easter Sunday I received positive and inspiring comments from the congregation about the butterfly illusion in Murrumbeenas, along with great feedback from the families who tuned in at home. There was an egg hunt organised for the families, sadly no age appropriate kids turned up. However the young adults had a great time hunting in the garden and enjoying the fruits of their labour, baby Joseph and Anne Don even found an egg too.

The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program at Murrumbeena Primary School has been going really well, I am even more established in the community now, the kids are asking me to play games and participate in sport with them at lunch time so my presence is having a positive impact, and I think I have become part of the furniture. I had a very positive experience recently that I wanted to share. It gives me great joy to serve the local community and be a part of this transformational program. Here is a positive story about my interaction



FAMILIES' AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

that happened recently as I know many of you do not get to see or hear all that I do there.

On the last Friday in April no other helpers turned up in the kitchen for the second session so the grade 4 class had their cooking opportunity cancelled and were sent back to the classroom to watch videos. I then volunteered to prepare 3 of the 4 recipes for the kids to come back and have a surprise lunch, by some miraculous feat, I pulled off preparing 3 dishes for 32 people in 45 minutes. The teacher wrote the attached email and shared it with the wider school community, so I was really chuffed to hear this positive feedback. Having a presence in the local school is incredibly beneficial, it enables a powerful impact by having someone from the Church involved in the local community this way.

Another recent highlight was the Ministry teams annual planning day, I found it grounding, beneficial and uplifting. Thanks to Jay and Kelly for the atmosphere they created and the gifts and skills they bring to the team, and the wider Church. It is a delight and joy to work with them. I thoroughly enjoyed planning and dreaming for the future of the Church over the next year together.

As most of you may know by now, I go into hospital for major surgery on the 25th of May



and will be on sick leave for quite some time. So, my last service will be on Sunday the 15th of May. I will miss you all while I am gone. I am already so grateful and touched by the support and kindness many of you have shown me, in the lead up to the surgery. So, thank you very much for that. I hope to be back with you all soon.

Zak Hanyn

Hey Zak

Your contribution to our kitchen garden program is phenomenal, and today you took it to a whole new level.

While Josh [redacted] his students and I were workshopping how to recruit volunteers, you single-handedly made the prepared recipes, enabling around 30 people to enjoy a full meal.

Your generosity of spirit, your passion for the program and your creative solutions mindset is an absolute joy.

Thanks again for all you bring to our program.

Warmly
Penny

Kelley Skilton

In May I took some annual leave, and though it was enjoyable, it was no holiday as I was up in Queensland as a member of the Assembly. If you are wondering what that is, the Assembly is the council of the Uniting Church that looks after the Governance and Policy of the Church across all our congregations across Australia.

300 people from across the country are elected to attend and make decisions at the Assembly meeting, where we pray, collaborate, vote and discern the direction of the Church as we actively are moving into the future. Seeing Holy Spirit presence and movement in a meeting environment may seem like an oxymoron to some, though as we vote using the Consensus model we spend a lot of time in discernment, prayer and discussion to make sure the Spirit is front and centre.



So what was the outcome?

As this was the reconvened meeting (the first half happened online in February 2021) there were a handful of proposals that were put forward and here are the top six noteworthy decisions made by consensus:

1. A proposal called 'Act2' to look at the governing structure and model of the Uniting Church. Asking the question how to better resource collectively and collaboratively through more simple and streamlined processes. (<https://uniting.church/act2ontheway/>)
2. A proposal for 'A call to Action for Climate Justice' where it was resolved that we would request churches, agencies and committees to commit to net zero emissions by 2040 by looking at how to make our communities and buildings less harmful to the environment. A big part of this proposal is what it means to listen more closely to the First Peoples of Australia, and 'acknowledge that since

time immemorial the Creator gifted First Peoples to be the timeless caretakers of country and the natural environment.'

3. A proposal for 'Preventing Harm for SOGICE'. SOGICE is an acronym used for 'Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity Change Efforts'. It was affirmed that the 'Uniting Church Statement, Dignity in Humanity, which states that 'every person is precious and entitled to live with dignity because they are God's children'. By consensus it was affirmed that conversion practices are 'harmful to people's mental health and wellbeing', and we will work toward efforts to 'prevent harm from SOGICE ideology and practice.'



4. A proposal for 'Moving forward as a Multicultural Church' asked us to do better training and equipping the understanding of diversities within our Church communities, and looking at how different communities and cultures bring insight and depth to understanding our faith. We resolved that we would help develop resources for an 'Intercultural Neighbouring Sunday', to celebrate UCA being a Multicultural Church and to create an opportunity for congregations and faith communities to connect and build relationships with culturally and linguistically diverse communities in their neighbourhoods.'



REPORT ON UCA ASSEMBLY (CONT.)



5. A proposal on 'Ageing and Aged Care.' Across Australia there are 100,000 people in aged care receiving care within the UnitingCare sector. It was affirmed that the older members of our churches are vital and valuable, each with their wisdom and stories of faith and community to offer. Because of this we endorsed the implementation of a celebratory worship service where 'UnitingCare Australia [will] provid[e] worship resources to assist congregations in the celebration of Older Persons Sunday.' Along with this we resolved to urge the 'Australian Government to fully implement the recommendations of the Aged Care Royal Commission, including a human rights-based Aged CareAct and increases for the wages of aged care staff based on decisions of the Fair Work Commission.'
6. In 1985 we covenanted with UAICC

(Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress) and the 'reconvened meeting of the 16th Assembly began with a historic renewal of the Covenant between the Uniting Church in Australia (UCA) and the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (UAICC), reaffirming the place of this relationship at the heart of the UCA.' This is such an important moment in the life of Australia, and I encourage you all to look up <https://uniting.church/renewing-the-covenant/> to read what this means as a Uniting Church.

There were a number of other decisions, and if you're curious feel free to look at <https://uniting.church/dwelling-in-love-at-the-16th-assembly/> or speak with Kelly and she can share more about some of these decisions and what that means for the Uniting Church and for us as one congregation.

THE UTHANDO DOLL PROJECT

The Murrumbeena Knitting and Craft Circle knit for a number of charities including The Uthando Doll Project. Knitters worldwide knit dolls and dolls clothes for the children of KwaZulu-Natal,

a province of South Africa. The children are extremely poor and live in an AIDS-affected region. The dolls are used in sex education programs to help teach children about AIDS prevention. The dolls suit the culture and enable children to express more freely their sense of loss and grief as well as their playfulness.



NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY GARDEN

There has been a lot happening in the Community Garden over the past few months and these are some of the things that have been accomplished.

We were really pleased that the Cheltenham Mentone Uniting Church offered us a number of timber raised garden beds. We had a place for one and it is now in position. Another five were donated to the Carnegie and Glen Huntly Laneway Gardens.

The Carnegie Lions Club and one of our Gardeners assembled the new hot house. The flooring is being paved and it will soon be ready for use. It is great the Lions Club continues to offer their support.

We had a working bee and welcomed back Kerry Langford who now lives in Maffra. Kerry worked at Yooralla and was a founding member of the garden back in 2007. She and Carl had fun shovelling and barrowing soil from a pile of fresh soil/compost mix we bought in to top up garden beds - they worked as a great team on the day like they were when so active in the garden! Carl spoke so warmly of the Community Markets we used to run when he and the Yooralla team sold plants.

And on Saturday 14th May, members of the congregation and community gardeners got together and picked olives and planted around 200 tubers of Australian natives as part of The Butterfly Project which we'll write about next time. Thanks to those who came along and participated - we hope you enjoyed it.

Glynis Ramsay



THE UTHANDO DOLL PROJECT (CONT.)

Over the last few weeks, Rev Jay has included the people of KwaZulu-Natal in Prayers of the People. In early April, heavy rain caused floods of a catastrophic proportion which swept away thousands of homes in KwaZulu-Natal, damaging places of work,



schools, hospitals, major roads, bridges, transportation, electricity and water supply, and other critical infrastructure. Hundreds of people have been confirmed to have died and many others are still missing. Humanitarian aid has now started to slowly filter through to the thousands in need.

The Knitting and Craft Circle continues to support this project. If you would like to find out more, contribute yarn or would like the pattern to knit some dolls, contact Glynis. If you would like to join the Murrumbeena Knitting and Craft Circle, please just come along. We meet on the first Saturday of the month in the front foyer of the Church from 2pm to 5pm.

The pictures below show some of the children receiving their doll and book, gifted by The

Uthando Doll Project, a grassroots organisation centred in Perth, WA.

Glynis Ramsay



KOREAN MEDALS PRESENTATION

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" (Romans 10:14-15 New International Version)

On 3rd May I went to The Scots' Church Melbourne for the presentation of medals to relatives of three Australian missionaries who were recognised by the Government of the Republic of Korea for their outstanding contributions to independence and national foundation - Belle Menzies was founder of the Busanjin Ilsin Girls school, Margaret Davies, then principal of the school and Daisy Hocking, a teacher at the school.

In 1890, Rev J.H. Davies had gone to Korea to establish a Victorian Presbyterian Church mission, but was struck down with smallpox and pneumonia and sadly died. The women of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria banded together and formed the Presbyterian Women's Missionary Union of Victoria (PWMU), raised financial support and sent the three women missionaries to continue the work of Rev Davies. The stories of each of their 33 years work in Korea is rich with stories, some of which were shared by those who accepted the medals. Their work started before women had the right to vote in Australia (1902) and they experienced hardship in 1910 when Japan imposed an annexation treaty on Korea.

There was pomp and ceremony and ten photographers! Unfortunately there was an apology from whoever from the Victorian Government was to attend as Parliament was sitting for the State Budget.

It was great to hear His Excellency, Mr Jeong-sik Kang, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea speak and learn of Korea's current view of the early work of the missionaries. The formality of the evening ceremony was what attracted me to go in the first place and I was not disappointed. Respect for other cultures is an important value to hold true and embrace.

Glynis Ramsay



LIFT WOMEN'S GROUP



WORDSEARCH PUZZLE – WINTER

Find the following words, which may be horizontal, vertical, or diagonal. The leftover letters will spell out what George R. R. Martin (American author and television producer) said we must do in winter.

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| BLANKET | JUMPER |
| BOOTS | MIST |
| COAT | MITTENS |
| COSY | MUD |
| DOONA | NUMB |
| EAR MUFFS | PIE |
| EARLY SUNDOWN | RUG |
| FIREPLACE | SCARF |
| FOG | SKIING |
| FOOTBALL | SLEDDING |
| FROST | SNOW |
| GLOVES | SOUP |
| HEATING | STEW |
| HIBERNATE | TEA |
| HOT CHOCOLATE | THERMALS |
| HOT WATER BOTTLE | TOASTIE |
| ICE | |

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SEARCHWORD SOLUTION

Did you try the Animal Word Search in the **April-May** edition of the *MUC MAG*? You can check your answers here.

Thanks to *Christina* for creating the puzzle.



CROSSWORD SOLUTION

Did you attempt to solve the cryptic crossword in the **April-May** edition of the *MUC MAG*? You can check your answers here.

Thanks to *Christina* for creating the puzzle.



RECOGNISE THESE NURSERY RHYMES?

The previous edition of the MUC MAG had peculiar paraphrases of five nursery rhymes (shown down the right side below). Were you able to decipher them? You can check your answers here.

Ride a cock horse to Banbury Cross
To see a fine lady upon a white horse
With rings on her fingers and bells on her toes
She shall have music wherever she goes.

Hey, diddle, diddle,
The cat and the fiddle,
The cow jumped over the moon;
The little dog laughed to see such sport,
And the dish ran away with the spoon.

Georgie Porgie pudding and pie,
Kissed the girls and made them cry
When the boys came out to play,
Georgie Porgie ran away.

Little Boy Blue, come blow your horn.
The sheep's in the meadow, the cow's in the corn.
Where is the boy who looks after the sheep?
He's under a haystack, fast asleep!

Hickory dickory dock.
The mouse ran up the clock.
The clock struck one.
The mouse went down
Hickory dickory dock.

Now that you can see how the paraphrases have been conceived, perhaps you can try your hand at another five nursery rhymes. The answers to these will be in the next MUC MAG.

'Twas hard within, but juicy round about;
At Noel tide it lurked in cereal lair
In mural angle perched upon a chair
With self-laudation Hansel drew it out.

A tiny toddler in a sordid lane,
A shepherd and a shepherdess nearby:
I heard the type of all that's bad maintain
That with his coat he'd keep them warm and dry.

'One shall be taken and the other left.'
'Tis true of man, of Bacon yet to be
'Twas also true; and one, returning, cleft
The welkin with his cries of misery.

Ye Muses! Sing of Robert split in twain,
Of Ceres' gift, and of a feathered choir
Held fast therein, which passed through fiercest fire
Yet sang, nor woke in royal lips disdain.

Nor power of princely steeds nor might of men
These parts dispersed ever shall unite;
Erstwhile enthroned sublime he sate, but then
Fell ruin sent him hurtling from the height.

Bold Chantecleer and Pegasus compose,
Take rein, and to the place appointed speed:
A maid with tintinnabulary toes
Thou'lt see bejewelled on a candid steed.

Cousin of lions, hail! Hail, tuneful shell!
'Mid canine mirth transcending Luna's sphere
Leapt Io. Where my hallowed orb? Not here! Not here!

Thrice sweet to tooth, yet not to lip was he:
He kissed, and every maiden eye was wet;
When youthful beauty issued forth in glee,
He did a get.

Loud is the mead with bleating; from the farm
Out of the grain came lowing; Morpheus lies
Heavy upon the watcher. Up! Arise!
Caerulean infant, sound the bovine arm!

Little Richard or I!
Little Richard or I curtail!
Scampering up the face of time
Woman's furry foe behold.
Dong!
See him now no longer bold
scampering down the face of time.
Little Richard or I curtail!
Little Richard or I.



CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
Thu, 2 Jun	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Bible Study
Fri, 3 Jun	10:00am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
Sat, 4 Jun	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Craft Group
Sun, 5 Jun	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship
	5:30pm - 7:30pm	Sonderfy Gathering
Tue, 7 Jun	12:00pm - 12:30pm	Weekly Prayer Service
Wed, 8 Jun	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Church Council
Thu, 9 Jun	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Bible Study
Fri, 10 Jun	10:00am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
Sat, 11 Jun	8:00am - 9:00am	Friendship Fellas' Breakfast
Sun, 12 Jun	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship (Holy Communion)
Thu, 16 Jun	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Bible Study
Fri, 17 Jun	10:00am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
Sun, 19 Jun	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship
	5:30pm - 7:30pm	Sonderfy Gathering
Fri, 24 Jun	10:30am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
Sat, 25 Jun	9:00am - 10:30am	LIFT Women's Breakfast
Sun, 26 Jun	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship
		Library and Special Morning Tea
Tue, 28 Jun	12:00pm - 12:30pm	Weekly Prayer Service
	5:30pm - 7:00pm	Friendship Fellas' Dinner
Wed, 29 Jun	8:00pm - 9:00pm	Elders Meeting
Thu, 30 Jun	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Bible Study
Fri, 1 Jul	10:30am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
Sat, 2 Jul	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Craft Group
Sun, 3 Jul	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship (Holy Communion)
	5:30pm - 7:30pm	Sonderfy Gathering
Tue, 5 Jul	12:00pm - 12:30pm	Weekly Prayer Service
Wed, 6 Jul	7:00pm - 9:00pm	Church Council
Thu, 7 Jul	10:30am - 11:30am	Worship Service at Regis
	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Bible Study
Fri, 8 Jul	10:30am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
Sat, 9 Jul	8:00am - 9:00am	Friendship Fellas' Breakfast
Sun, 10 Jul	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship
Tue, 12 Jul	12:00pm - 12:30pm	Weekly Prayer Service
Thu, 14 Jul	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Bible Study
Fri, 15 Jul	10:00am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship
Sun, 17 Jul	Deadline for submission of articles for MUC Mag	
	5:30pm - 7:30pm	Sonderfy Gathering
Tue, 19 Jul	12:00pm - 12:30pm	Weekly Prayer Service
Thu, 21 Jul	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Bible Study
Fri, 22 Jul	10:30am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
Sun, 24 Jul	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship
		Library and Lunch
Tue, 26 Jul	12:00pm - 12:30pm	Weekly Prayer Service
	5:30pm - 7:00pm	Friendship Fellas' Dinner
Wed, 27 Jul	7:30pm - 8:30pm	Elders Meeting
Thu, 28 Jul	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Bible Study
Fri, 29 Jul	10:30am - 11:30am	Coffee with Jay/Drop-Ins
Sat, 30 Jul	9:00am - 10:30am	LIFT Women's Breakfast
Sun, 31 Jul	10:00am - 11:00am	Worship

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Vacuuming: Dave Robinson

	Welcomers / Take up offering	Sound Desk / vMix	Duty Elder	Bible Reader	Communion Stewards	Count Offering	Morning Tea
5	Peter B.	Greg P. Roger M.	Doug F.	Carol F.	N/A	Doug F.	Carol F.
12	Carol F. Doug F.	Peter B. Roger M.	Anne D.	Venora F.	Doug F. Greg P. Peter B.	Colin J.	Venora F.
19	Doug F.	Greg P. Peter B.	Doug F.	??	N/A	Roz F.	Nirsa
26	Marg E.	Raj Roger M.	Doug F.	Anne D.	N/A	??	Lyn M. Marg E. Roz F. Special

JULY 2022

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Vacuuming: Marg Edwards

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3	Greg P.	Bruce R. Peter B.	Dave R.	Geoff E.	N/A	Greg P.	Sharon L.
10	Carol F. Doug F.	Bruce R. Roger M.	Peter B.	Venora F.	Bruce R. Greg P. Peter B. Dave R.	Colin J.	Carol F.
17	Geoff E. Marg E.	Raj Roger M.	Anne D.	Marg E.	N/A	Roger M.	Molly Marg E.
24	Doug F.	Greg P. Bruce R.	??	Peter B.	N/A	??	Special Marg E. Bruce R.
31	Geoff E.	Greg P. Roger M.	??	Geoff E.	N/A	Roz F.	Molly