



Newsletter #02

10 January 2021

St. David's Presbyterian Church, Toukley

Our vision: is by the year 2030 to transform our community with the love of our Lord Jesus

COVID-19 update from Lina Bester (Covid-19 Coordinator)

After further enquiries we have established that **the use of the NSW Services QR-code is not mandated**. We are however expected to make a QR-code available for people who wish to use it. We will continue to keep a physical record as we have done up to now. **You are still required to check in with our register in the foyer upon entry.**

With mask wearing becoming mandatory, it is important to note that there are some members of our congregation that have medical exemption from wearing masks. Please be considerate of their circumstances.

Restrictions currently in place are:

- **Maximum numbers:** Only 50 people in the Church allowed and only 20 people in the Hall.
- **Singing:** No singing by the congregation, only 5 singers in the front, with social distancing and 5 meters from the congregation.
- **Live Streaming of service:** We will be live streaming the service on Facebook for those who cannot attend face to face services for medical reasons, for the time being. **Sermon packs will be distributed only to those members who are not in a position to attend church in person due to health or medical reasons. A printed copy of the Sermon is available on request. Please note that the Sermon is uploaded in pre-recorded video form on Facebook every Sunday, it is also available on YouTube as well as on our Web Page.**
- **Morning Tea:** Morning tea will also be suspended until further notice.

The following process will be followed when you arrive at Church:

- **Wearing a mask is now mandatory. If you have medical exemption to not wear a mask can you please inform Lina or Paul accordingly.**
- Your temperature may be taken using a laser thermometer, and you will not be allowed to enter the Church if your temperature is above 37.2 degrees
- Your details will be registered to ensure we have a record of who attended, and so that we can contact you should there be a need.
- You will be required to use the hand sanitiser upon entry, and follow the social distancing rules at all times
- You will also not be allowed to attend if you show any flu, cold or COVID symptoms. **Therefore, please do not attend church face-to-face if you have ANY flu, cold or COVID like symptoms.**

Finally, the safety of our church family is always our first priority and we will therefore continue to monitor the situation closely each week. We will also continue to monitor and follow government and Church Office guidelines and recommendations. Therefore, all of the above will be reviewed at the next Session meeting, or as needed should the situation change.

Offerings

You're offering to support the work of our church can be deposited into the Church Bank Account: Greater Bank: BSB: 637-000 & Account: 781725919.

The collections for December 2020 were \$13, 142.30, which is an average of \$3,285.58 per week (way above our budget of \$2,400 per week). We praise God for the amazing generosity of our church family!

Growth Group/Bible Studies

Bible study in recess for the school holidays.

Prayer Chain

If you would like to circulate a prayer on the Prayer Chain or would like to be a recipient of the prayers circulated on the Prayer Chain, please contact **Esma Marstaeller on 4390 8296**

Directory Changes

If you have any changes to your contact details for the church directory – please email **Tanya McCrea** on tanya@mccrea.id.au

Roster for 2021

The new roster for 2021 is now available in the foyer.

Prayers

- ❖ Pray for **Rob & Chris Smillie's granddaughter, Haley**, currently being treated for sepsis.
- ❖ Pray for God's healing for **Pam Charlesworth**, as she recovers from recent surgery.
- ❖ Pray for **Rosemary Gough** waiting to have treatment for an oesophagus problem.
- ❖ Pray for **Jade Nocera's father, Mick**, having cancer treatment & immunotherapy.
- ❖ Pray for **Joy Millican's sister** who is unwell at this time.
- ❖ Pray for **Lorraine Griffiths** waiting to have treatment for an oesophagus problem.
- ❖ Pray for **Rev Peter Dunstan** undergoing further monitoring following liver biopsy.
- ❖ Pray for **Jan Dhu** waiting to begin kidney dialysis but has to have the fistular adjusted first and pray for **Jan** as she cares for her husband, **Dudley**.
- ❖ Pray for **Wendy Crysell**, recovering well from fractured arm and shoulder dislocation.
- ❖ Pray for **Terry Wilson**, recovering well from knee surgery.
- ❖ Pray for **Judith McCrea**, undergoing further tests after several blood transfusions.
- ❖ Pray for **Toni & Andy Quennell's friend, Shane**, battling stage 4 cancer **and Toni's sister Viv, in end stages of motor neurone disease**.
- ❖ Pray for **Judy Roberts** having further eye surgery on 21st December.
- ❖ Pray for **Penny Macdonald** suffering from severe post-shingles pain.
- ❖ Pray for **Heather O'Rourke** recovering from fractured wrist and recovering from a molar extraction at risk of infection.
- ❖ Pray for **Brendan Little's nephew, Richard** (undergoing cancer treatment) and **niece, Kelli** (in ICU with pneumonia).
- ❖ Pray for **Chris & Ian Warrell's son in-law, Monu**, waiting to see a cardiologist.
- ❖ Pray for **Christine Smith's son, Simon**, being treated for an abscess under his rib and being diagnosed with diabetes.
- ❖ Pray for Ann Ross, suffering from bursitis in her hip and infection in her leg.

Membership

If you would like to make St. David's your permanent spiritual home and become a member of our Church Family; we will be running **membership classes** in a few weeks' time; **please contact Rev Paul on 0418 812 166**; if you would like to attend.

FAMILY SERVICE ROSTER FOR 17 January 2021

LEADER: *Geoff Davidson*

PASTORAL PRAYER: *Ian Douglas*

CHILDREN'S TALK: *Matt Farrington*

BIBLE READER: *Corrine Topfer*

POWER POINT: *Malcolm Carson*

SOUND: *Rob Smillie*

WELCOMERS: *Margaret Monaghan, Lea Gardner, Corrine Topfer*

COUNTING: *Margaret Monaghan, Corrine Topfer*

FIRST AID: *Emile Priestly*

SAFETY OFFICER: *Ian Douglas*

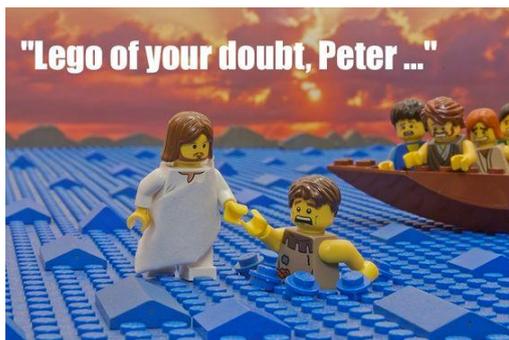
Annual Congregational Meeting – will be on Sunday 21st February. Please could all leaders of ministries submit their annual reports by 31st January.

They made it!!!!



Hallo!!! We crossed over the border this morning (4th January). We had a lovely time in South Australia, with Covid the camp sites are so busy, and accommodation was quite a task at times. Thank you for everyone praying for us. We truly experience God's goodness and protection. We are currently on our way to Coolgardie. (Update 5th January) Morning, after not being able to find pet friendly accommodation on our route to Perth, we ended up pushing through and arrived at Charles' parents last night. Thank you for everyone's support, encouragement and prayers. It was an amazing family adventure from East to West (5,000km), seeing God's amazing creation while not without its challenges and uncertainty, but most importantly experiencing God's grace and protection all the way through. While we are now starting a new chapter on the West Coast we will stay connected and you are in our prayers. **Perth Street family.**

A Bit of Fun



From God's Word – Psalm8:1 – The Majesty of God

LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens.

A fellow servant of our Lord Jesus, Rev Paul.