

## What's on This Week?

### Sunday 11th

9.30am

### Lent 4

Worship

### Tuesday 13th

9.00am - 10.00am

Exercise class

9.30am - 2.30pm

"The Branch" Op Shop is open

10am - 1pm

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12 noon - 3.00pm

Frustration card group

### Wednesday 14th

9.30am - 2.30pm

"The Branch" Op Shop is open

9.30am

C.A.L

2pm

Red Dove Choir

3.30pm

Music Practice

### Thursday 15th

9.00am - 10.00am

Exercise class

9.30am - 2.30pm

"The Branch" Op Shop is open

### Friday 16th

10.00am - 12 noon

Drumming - U3A

10.00am - 12 noon

Laptop Basics - U3A

### Saturday 17th

8.00am

Prayer Breakfast

9.30am

Pastoral Care meeting

### Sunday 18th

9.30am

### Lent 5

Worship

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## For You to Note

### CHURCH DIRECTORY: TIME TO UPDATE AGAIN

There is a printout in the foyer. Please check the following 1) Spelling of name, 2) Address, 3) Home Phone 4), Mobile (If Applicable), 5) eMail (if applicable) 6) Comments or Signature & Date checked/signed off. Enquiries. Phill Hart

### EASTER SERVICES:

7 pm Maundy Thursday

9.30 am Good Friday

9.30 am Easter Day

### CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES

Minutes of the 27 February meeting are on the noticeboard.

- The op shop is arranging First Aid training for staff, but there are still places available which are now open to any member of the congregation who would like to participate. (If interested, see Phill Hart.)
- Winston has replaced the sagging white ceiling panel in the hall ceiling above the air-conditioner.
- Phill Hart is to purchase a cable that will enable us to use the hall for worship when required.
- A baby grand piano has been offered from a deceased estate. There may be problems with space if it is placed in the hall, so more information is being ascertained before making a decision on whether to accept the offer.
- Bob Starling is arranging a meeting with Meals on Wheels and Uniting (formerly UnitingCare) re the possibility of collaborating on a "care package", which is the new arrangement that Meals on Wheels need to move into
- Leave was approved for Rev Rob on Sunday 18 March (weekend leave) and the week of 20-27 April.
- The programme for the concert on 8 April is filling up
- The Church in the Trees website is now up and running, under the management of Phillip Kesterton
- Presbytery is in dialogue with the Anglican Church re working more closely together.

**FLORIADE 2018 COACH TOUR WITH ALDINGA TOURS** - Wed 3rd to Fri 5th Oct 2018. Deposit of \$200 per person with booking. Balance due in August 2018. More information and booking details see Phill or Anne Hart. 4973 6441

### WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE - LEUKEMIA FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

Mel Morrow (Op Shop Day Leader) has a number of friends, including Jan Debrowski, experiencing cancer. In support she has agreed to have her head shaved for sponsorship as part of the "World's Greatest Shave". Rev Rob Hanks will support Mel by having his hair sprayed blue in solidarity with friend Terry Butler who has a brain tumour and colours his own hair blue. It'll happen during morning tea on Sunday 11th March 2018!! You can sponsor Mel online by searching her name on the World's Greatest Shave website, by visiting the Op Shop on a Tue/Wed or bringing money and signing up on the 11th!! Give generously!!

**"COFFEE BREAK" - 10AM FRIDAY 16TH MARCH** - Join Rev. Rob Hanks for coffee/tea and conversation from 10am at Biv's Coffee House (Espresso and Go Go) in Dora St, Morisset (near the Florist). Find us at the tables in the back!!

**USED SPECTACLES** - A reminder that there is a box in the foyer for your used spectacles. From time to time these are boxed up and sent to a collection point where they are sent to countries without the facilities we have, and are very much valued as they are made usable for those in need.

## **Duties for 18th March - Lent 5**

Bible Reading	Gordon R & Carol V
Welcomer	Wal Wardle
Table & Offering	Hazel Short
Banking	Bob & Max F
Morning Tea	Hazel, Elizabeth & Grahame

## **Lectionary Readings for 18th March**

Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Psalm 51:1-12 or Psalm 119:9-16  
Hebrews 5:5-10  
John 12:20-33

**DIRECT GIVING** - Your offering can be set up to go directly from your bank account into the Church accounts and thus avoid the need to use the envelope system on a Sunday. A direct debit can be set up using the Church's Westpac working account BSB 032-524 Account number 12-1985 or by filling in a form to go to Uniting Financial Services. This form is available from Owen Smythe.

## **Connect in Prayer**

### **SOUTHLAKES MARKETPLACE - COORANBONG**

Heavenly Father, we give You grateful thanks for the magnificent work of Christine Mastello, the founder of Southlakes Marketplace, her supporters and her small team of 9 volunteers, who are providing so wonderfully for the many and varied needs of our local communities.

### **OUR SATURDAY OP-SHOP**

Father God, we pray for effective advertising and planning for the introduction of Saturday openings of our Branch Op-Shop and we give grateful thanks for those willing to serve to extend this outreach activity.

**PRAYER FOR THE NATION** - Pray for God and the Son to be Exalted and Glorified in His Church, in our nation and in our lives. Pray for the Holy Spirit to fall on us in a fresh way and in our nation resulting in a great spiritual awakening.

### **Submissions to the Newsletter**

Articles for the Weekly Newsletter should be submitted in writing by Wednesday.  
Email: [morissetnews@hunter.uca.org.au](mailto:morissetnews@hunter.uca.org.au)



## **MORISSET UNITING CHURCH**

**"THE CHURCH IN THE TREES"**



## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

**ISSUE 1122 11th March 2018**

Welcome to the "Church in the Trees" this morning. If you are a visitor, help us to get acquainted with you by signing the Visitors' Book & staying for a time of fellowship at Morning Tea after Worship. Please also collect our Information Brochure.

Children are especially welcome, there's an activity table at the front, needing only to taken to the Foyer if you feel they are distressed.

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Service 9:30am Sunday  
Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

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Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact Mrs Leonie Brodie 49731602 or Rev Joan Horgan 49736135

**"Growing in the Spirit, reaching out in love"**