Southside Notices

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Rev David Fender's Message

Communities

Holland Park 855 Logan Rd Holland Park West

Mt Gravatt Cnr Springwood & Hicks Streets Mt Gravatt

Tarragindi 24 Pope Street Tarragindi

Yeronga 58 Kadumba St Yeronga I'm excited to share with you that we are able to resume face to face worship, beginning in August. The church council, worship ministry area and ministry team have given a lot of prayer and thought to how this may happen. In developing our plan we have been guided by three considerations.



The first is to consider what it means to be a missional church and how the time and style of our worship services can engage all people with the message of Jesus. We know from experience that our current services are, in general, not drawing people to Jesus.

The second is to think from a whole of congregation perspective. Previously, when we had our four morning services with similar style at the same time we were not using our resources wisely. Thinking across our four centres allows us to better use what we have.

The third is COVID19. Government regulations limit the number people we're allowed to have on each site and what we are allowed to do. We also acknowledge that some people are not safe or comfortable resuming face to face contact.

Having balanced these considerations, we have developed a trial worship schedule for the next three months. During these three months we'll be looking at how this works and towards the end we'll make further plans. We're also mindful that with COVID19 things can change very suddenly.



Attached please find the worship schedule for August to October.

You will notice that worship takes place in each centre on a fortnightly basis. You are welcome to attend worship weekly by travelling to another centre. Online worship will continue to be offered by accessing our website or through the worship sheets for those who don't have internet access.

Initially there will be no morning tea served after each service. We are still working through the COVID19 restrictions on how we can do this safely and legally. However, with appropriate social distancing you are welcome to hang around and chat to each other. Or you might want to arrange with a group to go to a local coffee shop or invite people to your home afterwards.

Please also note the COVID19 restrictions for those who are attending our face to face worship services. We always need to be mindful that this virus is highly contagious, and we need to show our love for each other by not inadvertently exposing them.

If you have any questions regarding any of this, please feel free to contact myself, David MacGregor our Worship Minister or another member of the Ministry Team.

Blessings

David Fender

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Worship

Rev David MacGregor – Worship Minister worship@ssuc.org.au

Sharing a Cuppa after Worship on Sunday

This week there will be only one zoom cuppa at 10 am. Details are:

https://zoom.us/j/370234026 Meeting ID: 370 234 026 Password 6PEJap

Midweek Musing

Midweek Musing will now will truly be "mid week". Now on Wednesday evenings from 7 pm via our YouTube Channel <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqSTqaDKa_fUlkjWacjrmlw</u> or via our Facebook Page <u>https://www.facebook.com/southsideuc</u>

Children Youth and Families

Ps Richard Moors – Children Youth and Families Pastor cyf@ssuc.org.au

Exciting News

Boys Brigade will be moving to our Tarragindi Centre. This will be for a trial period to see how they fit on the site and how convenient it is for parents. We are excited to have the boys brigade meeting on one of our properties and look forward to building even stronger ties with them across the congregation.

Urgent helpers needed with JAFFA

Yesterday we had our first JAFFA clube meeting for the term. We had 24 children attending, which was exciting. Because of COVID restrictions some of our helpers cannot aid us at the moment. We need people to help on walking bus (bringing the children from Wellers Hill SS to the church) this take placed between about 2:45-3:30pm. It would also be nice to have another helper or two during JAFFA club from 3-5pm. Do you enjoy time with young people. Do you have a Blue card? Could you do once a month? Once in the term? Every week? Please contact Stephanie Kennedy (0419781906 or stephken114@hotmail.com) or Richard Moors (0408446281 or richard.moors@ssuc.org.au)

Tuesday Facebook Live

Over the next few weeks Richard is exploring each of the generations which we find in our church. Last week we looked at the Builders/Silent Generation. This Tuesday at 7pm we will look at Baby Boomers, and the following week Generation X. If you can't tune in on Tuesday, the videos are available on the Facebook page.

Fun in the Sun Days

Yes, the countdown is on to the September school holidays, and Fun in the Sun Day. This year we will have two days $22 - 23^{rd}$ of September. Would you love to be a helper? Could you help with an elective? Electives take place from 3:15-4pm each day, you could do one or both days. In the past there have been paper planes, pamper, fun with food, wood working, messy games, craft, and other great electives. Could you help with one of these, or one of your own idea. Please contact Richard in the next week or so, in that way we can begin to get advertising and registration forms organised.

Outreach

Rev Esteban Lievano – Outreach Minister outreach@ssuc.org.au

New Missions

Rev Jock Dunbar – New Missions Minister new.mission@ssuc.org.au

SSUC - "My neighbours - their stories". Stories of religions in our area, past and present STARTS 7pm Wednesday 22 July

Come with us on a fascinating 8 week course getting to know our neighbours here on the south side of Brisbane. Where did we all come from? How have our respective faiths, and their histories, shaped us? How have they shaped our society? What is God's call on our lives in this place, with all of its diversity?

The course will be led by Rev Heather Griffin who has a long history within the Queensland Uniting Church of work in the interfaith area. She is currently the Uniting Church representative on the executive of the Queensland Faith Communities Council. Heather has found that by engaging in this work, her own Christian faith has been strengthened and challenged positively, leading to much growth.

This is a re-offering of the "History of Religions in Brisbane" course run by Southside on Wednesday mornings last term. Those who missed some of those classes may like to join in for part of the course.

The course is offered by Zoom.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84075993969

Meeting ID: 840 7599 3969

We would love to have you join us.

Worship

In our congregation there are some people who do not have any internet access. During the past months they have engaged in worship through the use of the written worship sheet. With the easing of COVID restrictions there are two ways that those with internet access can help those without.

- 1. Invite them into your home to watch the online service with you, either on Sunday morning or at some other time. Or offer to go to their house and take your device and share the service with them. Please be aware of social distancing if you do this.
- 2. Offer to allow someone to listen in to the service via the telephone. To do this simply place the telephone next to the computer speaker and allow them to listen to the service.

We would also love to offer DVD recordings of the services to people. However, before we do that, we need a person who serve our congregation by downloading and burning DVDs each week. If this is you, please contact the church office.

Spiritual Growth

Rev David Fender – Spiritual Growth Minister spiritual.growth@ssuc.org.au

Praying for our neighbours

During July please continue to pray for the people of our neighbourhoods. In particular this week pray for people of faith. For local Christian churches and for other religions. Remembering for instance the Muslim Mosques at Holland Park and Moorooka.

Please also pray for those people in our neighbourhoods who do not have any faith. Pray that as the Spirit works in their life that they will respond to his calling. Pray for the ways that we might be part of the Spirit's work as we live out of faith. Pray for your family and friends by name who do not yet know Jesus Christ as Lord.

Church Picnic

You are invited to join our whole congregation for a picnic in Mott Park (opposite Holland Park Centre, Cnr Logan Road and Abbotsleigh st, Holland Park) on Sunday 26 July at 11:30 am. Due to COVID19 you will need to bring everything, nothing will be supplied.

Read the Bible with me

As we went through our Emerge series, one, of many things, struck me. It was the vital importance of Christ followers being saturated in scripture. When we think about the many pressures of society that seek to shape us, we need to stand strong in scripture to give us certainty as we live with accommodation without compromise.

I want to invite anyone who is interested to join me in reading scripture together. We're going to meet on zoom. You can join by computer or phone. I'll share the zoom details through the newsletter.

We're going to be using a simple method called SOAP. The bible is accessible to everyone of us. Through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, your life experience and your own reason, God can speak to you through scripture.

Please join David Fender every Thursday at 7:30 am

Zoom details are:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85258135545?pwd=MERYV1VFaGNnRTdINXYvQmQwa1hXZz09

Meeting ID: 852 5813 5545

Password: 732835

If you want to join us by phone ring 02 8015 6011 and when prompted enter the Meeting ID: 852 5813 5545 and password: 732835

Prayer

You are invited to share your prayer requests with the congregation.

Prayer requests can be shared through:

- The "Prayer Requests" feature on the Southside app
- Using the "Contact us" feature on the ssuc.org.au website and selecting "Prayer request"
- Emailing prayer@ssuc.org.au
- Telephoning a member of the ministry team and sharing your request with them.

Unless you request otherwise, prayer requests will be shared with our prayer team and listed each week in our worship sheet.



Tuesday Morning Prayer

Join us at 8am Tuesday mornings for a time of prayer via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/107964270?pwd=aXhvbmdSbGFicmdkRIFpWFNINm1SUT09

Meeting ID: 107 964 270 Password: 24pope

Good News Story

Holland Park Central

At the end of last year, the Resources Ministry Area put together a small group of people to visit all of the properties that are now a part of Southside. This was to gain an idea as to the state of the buildings and also to be able to plan ahead for budgeting purposes any maintenance or improvements that may need to happen on the properties. In doing the inspections, it was discovered that Holland Park Central on Logan Road, Holland Park, currently being tenanted by another Christian congregation, had some safety concerns that needed addressing. Subsequently a report was gained by a building inspector who ascertained significant work needed to take place to not only to make it safe but to also bring it back up to a standard that was aesthetically pleasing. The report detailed 125 items with different ratings from "life threatening" to "aesthetics" that were in need of looking at. The approximate cost to rectify all items was in the vicinity of \$500,000.00.

The Resources Ministry Area took this as a challenge and looked at the report in detail. They pulled it apart and put it back together again, looked at each rating, ascertained how urgent they were and developed an amazing spreadsheet that helped the team to prioritise each and every item. So over the last few months much work has been taking place at the property including installing emergency exit doors and emergency lighting, removing and trimming trees, blocking access to different areas, electrical work and working bees to make it safe. Of particular interest is the stained glass windows, which has had sheets of Perspex installed over them to not only preserve them, but to also prevent them from falling out and potentially injuring someone. Of course not all items have been done, but the property has now been made safe. The total cost has come in under \$20,000.00!!

I want to say thank you so much to the Resources Ministry Team as a whole, but particularly those who have tackled this project head on Craig Pitt, Dave Allen, Paul McDonald and Rod Hurman as well as the many people who have helped out with working bees. There are still a few items to finish up, but the end is definitely in sight.

Through all this, as someone who is learning fast about buildings and the different parts of a roof (thanks Craig for explaining this to me ③), I am just amazed at how this team has come together from the four different Communities that make up Southside and to work on a project in such a collaborative way. I look forward to the many other projects that we will be working on together in the coming months and years. You guys all rock!

Rachel Manton Administrator

If you have a good news story of God's transforming power within our Congregation and/or Community. Please email through to <u>notices@ssuc.org.au</u> so we can share the Good News!

Resources

Rachel Manton - Administrator admin@ssuc.org.au

Tithes and Offerings

Thank you for your ongoing financial contribution to our congregation. As we spend longer in lock down people are discovering alternative ways to give their offerings. These include:

• Setting up electronic funds transfers (EFT) (or asking their children to do so). Our bank account details are

Name:Southside Uniting ChurchBSB:014-202Account:4736-88757

- Posting a cheque to the church office at 58 Kadumba street, Yeronga Qld 4104
- Banking the money direct through a bank branch
- Asking the person who delivers the weekly worship materials to return with your offering.

Notices

For notices to be included in this newsletter please email <u>notices@ssuc.org.au</u> or phone the office on 3848 7093. The next newsletter will be issued on 2nd August. Please have notices in by 9am Thursday 30th July.

House for Rent

One of our houses is available for rent. It is located at 84 Kingsley Parade, Yeronga and is \$410.00 per week. A tidy three-bedroom house with large kitchen and a large back yard. If you or anyone else might be interested in having a look, please contact Rachel at <u>rachel.manton@ssuc.org.au</u>.

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