# Southside Notices

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## **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 Rev David Fender's Message
IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD

THERE WILL BE NO FACE TO FACE SERVICES ON 2 OR 9 AUGUST

On Wednesday I started drafting this message and at that time I wrote the following.



The instances of COVID 19 in Logan reminded us this week that we are still in the middle of this pandemic and that we must all work together to ensure our safety. I know that many of us feel safe in our homes, reducing our contact with others. And I encourage you to do whatever you need to ensure your safety. Because we are committed to ensuring each other's physical safety. Thanks to Rachel and our Church Council executive and members of our Resources Team who have put in a tremendous effort in ensuring our physical safety. We also want to feel safe and secure in our faith. And for some of us this is expressed in the familiar routines of church. And there can be some resentment when we ask "why can't things be as they always have been?" We're changing worship times, we're offering different programs for children and we're asking volunteers to undertake different duties.

It's interesting how events have transpired so quickly in the course of a couple of days. The events of the last couple of days show that we are not able to get a sense of certainty from the routines of life around us anymore.



I have been drawn to reflect on Psalm 23. The psalm speaks of the peace and security that we receive in God, "even though I walk through the darkest valley." Not being a shepherd, my thoughts go to my dog. When she was a puppy we'd go for a walk and she'd run all over the place and I'd trip on her lead and she'd get dragged and tugged and it was unpleasant for both of us. But as we developed a rhythm to learn how to walk together, our walks became enjoyable moments of companionship for both of us.

My experience of walking with God is the same. The deep peace and security in times of trouble come from a lifelong of walking in step with God. I do this through a routine of bible reading, prayer and worship. We can only know the peace of Christ that passes all understanding, when we know Christ who brings us that peace.

Blessings

David Fender

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# Worship

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

# **Sharing a Cuppa after Worship on Sunday**

Starting Sunday 2 August, we are going to be sharing together in one post worship zoom cuppa from 10 am to 11 am.

People from across Southside are welcome to attend.

https://us02web.zoom.us/i/84892158152?pwd=T1VvWXNPbS8xQ3dxekVNam1DUzBadz09

Meeting ID: 848 9215 8152

Passcode: 388966

## **Midweek Musing**

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

## Children Youth and Families

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

#### **Young Families Picnic**

We had a wonderful time in July having lunch together, chatting and playing. We will meet on 9<sup>th</sup> August at Laura St Park, (Google maps lists it as Shaftsbury Street Park). We will meet near the equipment on Laura st Tarragindi. Bring along chairs, rugs, lunch, hats. We will have lunch together and chat, the kids can play on the equipment. This is for families with children in primary school and younger. Please keep an eye on the Facebook page or emails on the day, with the changing situation in Southern Brisbane at the moment we will be prepared to cancel if needed.

#### Fun in the Sun Days

The countdown in on till Fun in the Sun Days – September 22-23. If you are able to be involved please contact Richard. Also we need some people willing to lead an elective, which runs from 3:15-4pm each day. (You don't need to do both days, but would be nice.) Please contact Richard, we need to know what electives we are offering so that we can start to advertise the program. To help you need to have a Blue card, if you are in the vulnerable category unfortunately you cannot assist at this time.

## Still and urgent need for JAFFA

Thanks for those who have offered to help, especially with walking bus. We are still in urgent need of people to assist with JAFFA club. Because of Covid restrictions some of our helpers cannot aid us at the moment, this takes out 2 of the necessary 5 leaders for walking bus. We need people to help on walking bus (bringing the children from Wellers Hill SS to the church) this takes place 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 <a href="stephken114@hotmail.com">stephken114@hotmail.com</a>) or Richard Moors (0408446281 or <a href="richard.moors@ssuc.org.au">richard.moors@ssuc.org.au</a>)

## 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. 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

#### Read the Bible with me

An invitation to read the bible together each Thursday morning at 7:30 am. This is not a bible study group. We read one section of scripture and simply share what we have observed and what it means to our lives. There is no commitment involved. Feel free to drop by when you can and skip those weeks that don't suit.

To join our Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 852 5813 5545 Passcode: 732835

You can also join by telephone

Ring 07 3185 3730

Meeting ID: 852 5813 5545 Passcode: 732835

## **Building a discipling culture**

Jesus' model of growing the church was to grow disciples who grew other disciples. It was a method in which he built people up in their faith life and then released them to build relationships with other and then share life together.

I would love to hear from anybody in the congregation who would be willing to be part of a discipling huddle where we would learn together how to grow disciples who grow disciples.

Your commitment would be for 2 years. During this time we'd meet together fortnightly for an hour via zoom and there would be 4 weekend workshops in Brisbane. In addition there would be other reading to do between the huddles. Of course if you needed/wanted to pull out that would be fine. At the end, or maybe toward the end, of the 2 years, we would each feel ready to go out and form another huddle and lead others through the process. I would image that by this time we would be excited to continue the journey.

To find our more please go to the Building a discipling culture website www.bdc.org.au/.

If you are interested in being part of this, please contact David Fender.

#### **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

#### **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.



## 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 Church

BSB: 014-202 Account: 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 <a href="mailto:notices@ssuc.org.au">notices@ssuc.org.au</a> or phone the office on 3848 7093. The next newsletter will be issued on 16<sup>th</sup> August.

Please have notices in by 9am Thursday 13th August.

## Good News Story

#### Fun times with Unite.

While the fun continued over the Covid restrictions period online, with our young people competing for the covid 2020 trophy, it has been wonderful over the last two months to be back meeting in person. We have got out and about walking up Mount Gravatt (valuable lesson don't going walking up hills with young people who just want to run most of the way!!). We have solved a murder mystery, though not sure how well they would do as detectives but at least they enjoyed seeing a cassette tape in action. Some of you may be joining in church in your pjs, well we spent an afternoon in our pyjamas and played some sleep related games. Seeing who could lie still was amazing how long they went. We have thought about peace in our world, and then made a whole heap of noise. It is wonderful to meet with our young people each week, to not just have fun and silliness, but also to explore matters of faith and to see them growing in faith and life. We are blessed to have an amazing group of high schoolers as part of Southside Uniting Church. (If you ever would like to be a part of this as a young person or a leader/helper, please talk to Richard Moors.)

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

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