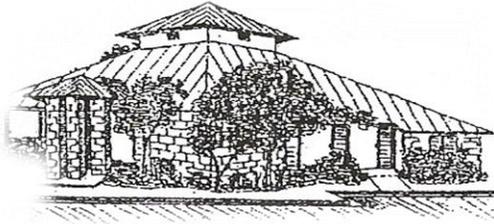


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KEEPING IN TOUCH

WELCOME! *We welcome all visitors with us today, and pray your time with us will be a blessed one.
Please stay and share morning tea with us after the Service.*

Kirwan's Mission Statement

To be a people of God led by the Holy Spirit to practise and spread the love of Jesus Christ in the world

2nd June, 2019

Worship Leaders for Today - Communion

Preacher: Pastor Richard Lance

Reader: Sally Sands

Lectionary readings

Easter 7

Acts 16 16-34

Ps 97

Rev 22: 12-14:16-17:20-21

Jn 17: 20-26

Richard's Ramblings

Today as I write this, Thursday just gone as you read it, is Ascension Day. Read Luke's account in Acts 1 - I'd take up both sides of Keep in Touch if I post the whole passage. It happens during one of the Bible's "In between" times, between Jesus' resurrection and the Spirit coming to the Church at Pentecost. The disciples, flushed with happiness that Jesus has conquered death and assuming that He will soon conquer the occupying Romans and give them (the disciples) prestigious positions in the new Kingdom, ask Jesus when that will happen. But Jesus tells them that they will have power, just not the sort of power for which they were hoping. "Go back to Jerusalem and wait", says Jesus. Back to the very place where He had recently been crucified. And the power which they would receive would not be to Lord it over their

erstwhile enemies, but rather to witness to them, and to the whole world. The word, "Witness", would carry foreboding because it has the same meaning as "Martyr". You know, we're told exactly the same thing as those disciples. Go to where we might have experienced apathy at best or rejection at worst. And witness to people who don't even have a reference point of who Jesus is and what He has done for us. Don't waste time gazing up waiting for Jesus to come back, but witness in the calm assurance that He will come back. Can't do it, you're not equipped? You are equipped, whether you know it or not, that's the Pentecost part of the story. "And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28)

This Week's Calendar

Mon 3rd: 9.00am Pastoral Care

10.30am: House of Jonah

7.30pm: Elders Meeting

Tues 4th: 9.30am: Biggest Morning Tea

Wed.5th: 5.30pm: Music Group

7.30pm: Bible Study Group

Roster for 9th June, 2019

- Preacher:** Pastor Richard Lance
- Reader:** Sheree Bugden
- Greeters:** Margaret Lowe
- Door Steward:** Merril Green
- Offering:** David B-T: Greg Fraser
- Announcement:** Narelle Harrison
- Morning Tea:** Jenny Warden: Maria Riis: Ruth James
- Flowers:** Amelia Palu



Biggest Morning Tea Kirwan UC Tues. 4th June. Please sign sheet if attending. If you have any small gifts to

donate as prizes please could you bring them as soon as possible. Kirwan people attending could you please bring a plate to share with our guests. Thank you



Working Bee

We need to have a working bee to fix up a few things, so please put aside **Saturday 22nd June** for an early start.

We need to clear soil back from the brick walls, cut

back vegetation to get in there, and then paint the brick work with sealer, as well as fix a loose fence post. Meanwhile anyone with time to drive the ride on we still need more help to mow and keep our grounds clean. Thanks. David and CoM

September Youth Camp

Friday afternoon 27th September to Monday noonish 30th September on Magnetic Is

More info, Contact: Kate: millsmob@gmail.com

Or Greg: rev.gregrankin@gmail.com

Morning Tea Roster

Due to the increasing numbers we have had attending and enjoying the Morning Tea after the Church service (and to help reduce the food preparation for those rostered on each Sunday) could all 3 people rostered on please help by providing an extra packet of biscuits or a dip with biscuits if possible, towards the Morning Tea? Please talk to your co-workers. Thanking you all in anticipation. Remember that the standard morning tea is biscuits. If you choose to bring home cooking that would be appreciated but not necessary. There will no longer be a specific rostered washing up person (this used to be the third person on the Roster when 3 individual people were rostered on) and people can assist by helping to carry out this task. Thank you to those who had been rostered as a washer-upper, you have been appreciated and a blessing in the kitchen.



Kirwan UC YOUTH GROUP FRIDAY 7TH JUNE 6.30PM AT THE MANSE. WANT TO FIND YOUR

INNER PICASSO? ANH DO? COME AND PAINT A PORTRAIT. ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED – AND SOME YUMMY NIBBLIES TOO.

THOUGHT YOU COULDN'T PAINT? YOU MAY BE AMAZED! (or not!) We will also be doing a short session with Silao to carry on where we left off last week.

If you could bring a gold coin to help cover costs that would be appreciated.