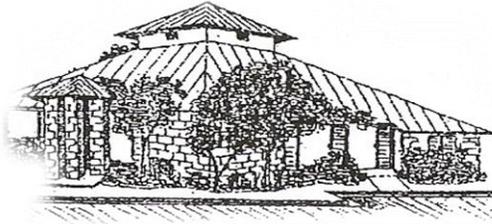


## Kirwan Uniting Church



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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.*

### 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

30th August, 2020

**Service Times: 8.30am and 10.00am**  
**Preacher: Peter Ireland**

<b>Lectionary readings</b>	<b>Pentecost 13</b>
<b>Ex 3: 1-15</b>	<b>Pslm: 105: 1-6;23-26;45b</b>
<b>Rom 12: 9-21</b>	<b>Mt 16: 21-28</b>

### *Richard's Ramble*

You know those schoolboy/girl bible riddles, "Who was the first hoon in the bible?" "Jehu, he drove furiously" (referencing 2 Kings 9:20). Or "When was the first cricket match in the bible?" "Acts 2 14, Peter lifted up his voice with the Eleven and was bold". Acts 2:14 doesn't say quite that, but why let facts stand in the way of a good (bad) schoolyard joke? The best (worst) of these riddles use archaic King James. And "When is the first locomotive in the bible?" "Isaiah 6, His train filled the temple". That last came to mind when Leisa told me what she has planned for my birthday. For my 64<sup>th</sup>, to demonstrate that she wasn't limited to the Beatles feeding and needing, she bought a model train set. And this year, for my mumble mumble<sup>th</sup>, she's ordered a table to go in the ballroom (have to keep Hugo away from it when Yoof nights restart) so that the now-extended train set can be reassembled.

I love that opening line of Isaiah 6. I only have to read, or hear, or think of "In the year that King Uzziah died ..." and I'm as transported as if it were the introductory bars of a Bach chorale, or a Mark Knopfler riff. I'm not into raising my hands in church (you probably are, and that's fine by the way, more power to your elbow or whatever keeps your arms elevated, I'm just too, I don't know, Church of England). But in my study or on my bed, "In the year that King Uzziah died" sees me with arms aloft and face uplifted because I know what's coming. "I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple." Then heavenly creatures declare to each other those precious words which from the church's earliest time have been used in the eucharist, the communion meal, to proclaim that the crucified Lord whom we are remembering is now risen and glorified and reigning with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and ever. "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."

### *This Week's Calendar*

<b>Mon 31<sup>st</sup>:</b>	<b>9.30am: Pastoral Care</b> <b>10.30am: House of Jonah,</b>
<b>Tues 1<sup>st</sup>:</b>	<b>9.30am: Fellowship</b>
<b>Wed 2<sup>nd</sup>:</b>	<b>7.30pm: Bible Study</b>

**KIRWAN FELLOWSHIP Tuesday**  
**September 1st @ 9.30 a.m.** David B-T  
will give an illustrated talk on his walking  
trip in Tasmania.



## COVID Updates

**Keeping Safe and  
Worshipping together  
with COVID**

### Roster for 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2020

#### 8.30am Service:

**Preacher:** Richard Lance

**Greeters:** Garry Davey

**Announcement:** Sheree Bugden

**Morning Tea:** Sheila V.P: Marion Davey

**Flowers:** Merril Green

### **Our Church and COVID**

Last week I said there was no change then it all changed on Saturday. However we were exempt from the restrictions announced by the Premier because we have opted for the industry plan, which has stricter conditions, but allows us 50 people in church at a time. We continue to watch carefully. Please keep social distance.

Blessings to you all, David K.

### Roster for 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2020

#### 10.00am Service

**Preacher:** Richard Lance

**Greeters:** Leisa Lance

**Offering:**

**Announcement:** Anne Holmes

### **To Give Away**

A good desk and timber coffee table  
See Peter Ireland if interested



### **Sunday School**

On Sunday, it  
was decided  
that Sunday  
School will

stop until the start of Term 4 (11 October).  
We will still provide worksheets and colouring  
for any children who want it.

