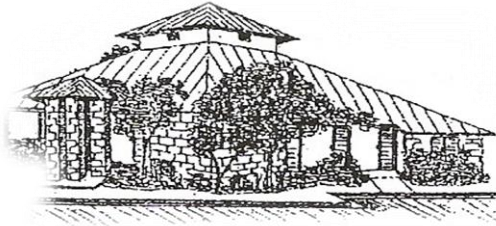


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KEEPING IN TOUCH

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

6th September, 2020

Service Times: 8.30am and 10.00am
Preacher: Pastor Richard Lance

Lectionary readings	Pentecost 14
Ex 12: 1-14	Psalm: 149
Rom 13: 8-14	Mt 18: 15-20

Richard's Ramble

I'm not a fan of opening the bible at random to find advice for a particular problem, or course of action. There is a good joke about that sort of thing, treating God's Word like a ouija board, and perhaps I'll weave it into a sermon one Sunday when the lectionary reading is suitable. Although now I think about it, the punchline assumes knowledge of American bankruptcy law, so it might be a bit esoteric.

However! My birthday last week, like all birthdays at my age, had me wondering when it would be a good time to hang up my pastor boots, in fairness to KUC as well as to me. Which, to digress, reminds me of the story about Denis Healey, the great British Labour Party figure who was "The finest Labour Prime Minister we never had". On his 90th birthday, a BBC interviewer asked, "Lord Healey, what's it like to be 90?" The sprightly old sage shot back "Better than the alternative". But to get back to wondering

about mortality, pastoral as well as biological, I happened at the same time to open Bible Gateway to look up something to do with this week's readings, and was presented with Joshua 31: 'Then Moses went out and spoke these words to all Israel: "I am now a hundred and twenty years old and I am no longer able to lead you."' So you and I have another almost 50 years together.

The context of the passage, though, is encouraging for all Christian communities. Moses had just been told that he would not himself enter the Promised Land. But even the Children of Israel were not a one man band, notwithstanding Moses' divinely validated leadership before and during 40 years of wandering in the desert. Prophets come, prophets go, pastors come, pastors go (not until 2067, mind you) but God's people are led by God who isn't here today, gone tomorrow. So in case you're feeling a bit rudderless in these pandemic times, here's more of Moses' retirement speech from Joshua 31: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

This Week's Calendar

Mon 7th:	9.30am: Pastoral Care 10.30am: House of Jonah, 7.30pm: Elders
Tues 8th:	9.30am: Craft Cards & Chitchat
Wed 9th:	7.30pm: Bible Study

Roster for 13th September, 2020

8.30am Service:

Preacher: Richard Lance

Greeters: Sheree Bugden

Announcement: Sheree Bugden

Morning Tea: Val Hobson & Jenny Titmarsh

Flowers: Pam Kennedy

Roster for 13th September, 2020

10.00am Service

Preacher: Richard Lance

Greeters: Lois Williams

Offering: Trevor Nuss &

Announcement: Anne Holmes

To Give Away

A good desk and timber coffee table

See Peter Ireland if interested

COVID update

Nothing to report this week. We are on an industry plan in a non-restricted zone so we can continue our existing arrangements. Please keep up your good efforts.

David K

BUNNINGS SAUGAGE SIZZLE

Saturday, 19th September at Bunnings, Domain

If you can help on the day there is a sheet in the foyer so that you can sign up for your preferred time slot. If we can get enough helpers everyone should only need to do a 2 hour shift. If you are interested in helping with the organisation of the Sizzle we will have a meeting after the first service (about 9.30 a.m) on Sunday in the undercover area. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Safety Meeting at Bunnings on Wednesday night. Any queries to Anne Brooke-Taylor.

Golf

Lavarack Golf Club

Date: 19 September 2020 6.30am – 6.45am

Cost: \$20 (Green Fees & Donation)

Morning Tea and Trophy Presentation
at Wulguru Uniting Church - 9.45am

Please send names and licence numbers

by 11am Monday, 14 September

to Kay Phone: 0409892795

or email: wazz.kay@bigpond.net.au

***You must have your Driver's
Licence/Photo ID with you to be signed
through the gate at Lavarack.***

***Please arrive early as we have to hit off well
before the club competition.***

All proceeds to McKav Patrol

Sunday School



It was decided that Sunday School will stop until the start of

Term 4 (11th October).

We will still provide worksheets and colouring for any children who want it.



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