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13 June 2021

# **WELCOME!**

We welcome all visitors with us today and pray your time with us will be a blessed one. Please stay for morning tea after the service.

9:00 am service			
Preacher:	Richard Lance	1st Reading	1 Sm 15:34 - 16:13
Reader:	David B.T.	2nd Reading	2 Cor 5: 6 -10
Gospel	Mark 4: 26 - 34	Psalm	20

We aspire to be a people of God led by the Holy Spirit to practice and spread the love of Jesus Christ in the world

# Richard's Rambling

Boy, it's freezing. Even I am wearing a pullover, moleskin long trousers, shoes and socks. It ain't natural. The Granite Belt of southern Queensland has a sprinkling of snow, the New England Highway is closed in several places (good job that Mark and Dale aren't travelling through Guyra at the moment) and supposed tropical North Queensland is trying to out-shiver Melbourne.

This will pass. Winter gives way to spring, spring to summer, and so the cycle continues. God's promise to Noah (Genesis 8) was that "As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease." In no time at all, I'll be complaining about Townsville's humidity and putting Richard's Holy Hand-cloth to good use. But only a few weeks ago, I thought that humid horror would never end.

There are things less trivial than seasonal discomfort. Illness, grief, estrangement. You can't just rug up against them, or switch on the air-con. Genesis 9 follows Genesis 8 (who says that I can't count?) with its promise that the very clouds which darken lives, are where God has set his rainbow of covenant mercy and restoration. Right at the time when we're tempted to think that God has forgotten us and what we're going through, the passage declares that our very circumstances are bringing us to God's remembrance.

Those circumstances too will pass. One day, we will hear our beloved's voice (Song of Songs 2):

"See! The winter is past;

the rains are over and gone ... Arise, come, my darling; my beautiful one, come with me."



Roster for 20 June 2021		
Preacher:	Richard Lance	
Reader:	David B-T	
Greater / Door Steward:	June Palk	
Offering:	Robin Warren Susan Burton	
Announcements:	Kathy Reid	
Morning Tea:	Sheila & Marion Davey	
Flowers:	Narelle Harrison	

## **Evening Service**

Our next Evening Service will be on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. We will meet at 5.00pm in the covered area for some yummy Soup before the service.

The menu will include *Pumpkin* and *Potato and Leek* and maybe some more.

If you could text Peter (0417 644 269) to let us know if you are coming, for catering purposes.

We will also share in Communion together.

Please come along and join us as we worship God together.



# Week's Activities:

Mondays	House of Jonah @ 10:30 am
Tuesdays	Craft, Cards & Chitchat @ 9.30 am
Wednesdays	Bible Study @ 7:30 pm
Thursday	Regis Service (When applicable)

Mount Louisa Senior Connection Please note change of date - It will be on June 17th, not 24th.

**Reminder:** Council of Ministry meeting this Monday 14 June at 7:30pm in the church



### Senior Connections



Thursday 17th June 2021 9.30am Mt Louisa Community Church **Cnr Mathers Street and Bayswater Road** 

Join us for a morning of worship, fun and fellowship for the over 50's Theme: 'Creation Celebration'

LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! Psalm 8:1

RSVP 14th June (txt 0448749892 or email cullenfamily5@bigpond.com)

Hope to see you on the 17th June 2021



### **BOTTLE /JAR TOPS**

Adam, who comes to Jonah, has asked us to collect any plastic tops for LIDS FOR KIDS who turn them into plastic limbs for children



"So...that's 4 votes to approve the minutes and 1 vote to simply tolerate them.

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A Joyful toon by Mike Waters



Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. -I PETER 5:7 KJV