

Kirwan Uniting Church

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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

Keeping in Touch

08 October 2023



WELCOME!

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



This Sunday

9:00 am:

Preacher: David Kelly

Reader: David B-T



Bible Readings

- Ex 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20
- Ps 19
- Phil 3:4b-14
- Mt 21:33-46

YOUR POWER TO CHANGE THE WORLD

by Berni Dymet

To some degree, we all harbour a secret desire to impact this world; to make a positive difference in the lives of those around us. But how do you actually do that in a world that seems intent on tearing itself apart?

The rising tide of conflict is something that's going on around us every day. On a global scale amongst the super-powers. At a national level in our political systems. At a social level with gender politics and the environment. In families with relationships being torn apart.

Sure, the world's never been perfect, but it just seems to be getting worse, creeping into every corner of our existence. To me, it feels like a darkness that's enveloping our society and indeed our very lives. It's not pretty. And frankly, it's just not a nice way to live, is it?

But come on, what difference can little old you or I possibly make, in the face of this creeping darkness anyway? Well, the answer is, rather a lot.

Proverbs 4:18 *The path of those who live right is like the early morning light.
It gets brighter and brighter until the full light of day*

'Live right.' 'Do good.' It sounds, well, just a tad simplistic doesn't it? But when you and I choose, day after day after day, to be kind in the face of nastiness, to be decent and honest in a world where so many are anything but, when we choose simply to follow Jesus difficult though that may be some days, an incredible thing happens.

Your light begins to shine. And like the rising sun, it gets brighter and brighter until this dark world is filled with the full light of day. Friend the light of your humble goodness in Christ has the power to quell the rising darkness; the power to change the world.

And that's God's Word. Fresh ... for you ... today.

<https://christianityworks.com/fresh/your-inheritance/>

Roster for 15 October 2023

PREACHER: 9:00 AM	Matthew Stuart
READER:	Robin Harris
GREETER	Kathy Reid
OFFERING	Andrew Reid John Sands
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Joan Wilkie
MORNING TEA	Joan Wilkie Dawson Wilkie
FLOWERS	Narelle Harrison

This Week

MONDAY	House of Jonah
TUESDAY	Fellowship
WEDNESDAY	Bible Study:

Sunday School

Sunday School will be every week during term time. Please inform and encourage any youth you know to come along.

Messages, Reminders & Announcements



Sunday, 8 October, is St Francis Day.

Richard is holding a Blessing of Animals service at Hervey Range Community Hall at 5pm.

The Hall is on the left, a km or so after the turnoff for the Tearooms. Hervey Range being what it is, there might be the odd horse and goat outside to be blessed, too.

FOOD RELIEF APPEAL:

We shall have a wheelie bin next week and it will be collected on November 20th. All donations of non-perishable foodstuffs will be gratefully received.

Thanks,
Sheila

WORLD VISION:

Sponsorship payments are generally due around Sept/Oct time. I'll start bringing the receipt book on Sundays, and payment can also be made via the collection bowl, or direct to the bank. One-off donations are also welcome, else the sponsorship amount is \$50. Also, if there is anyone who would like to take on this little role for the church, or find out what's involved, please come and have a chat with me.

Sharon

MANSE REFURBISHMENTS:

The manse refurbishment has progressed very well. The total costs will be around \$15,000, roughly as budgeted, especially for repainting and recarpeting. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations which reached \$5,767.10. We'll remove the donations box from the offering table, but if anyone wants to give a bit more could you please respond directly to Graham Fraser. Thank you for your generosity.

David K



Dear God
Thank you for
the free trip
around the sun
each year.
Amen

CHURCH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

For anyone wishing to make a donation or offering to Kirwan Church by Direct Debit details are:

Account Name: UCA-Kirwan Uniting Church

BSB: 334040

Account Number: 553871199