



*We believe we are called by God to be an inclusive  
Christian community, committed to justice,  
learning, service and care.*



## BLACKWOOD UNITING CHURCH

*More than a Sunday Church...*

**Week of 22<sup>nd</sup> February ~ Service on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

**9:15 & 11am: Rev Doug Hosking**

**Worship Leaders: Mark Williams & Bev Eccleston**

### **Lectionary readings – 24<sup>th</sup> February (Epiphany 7)**

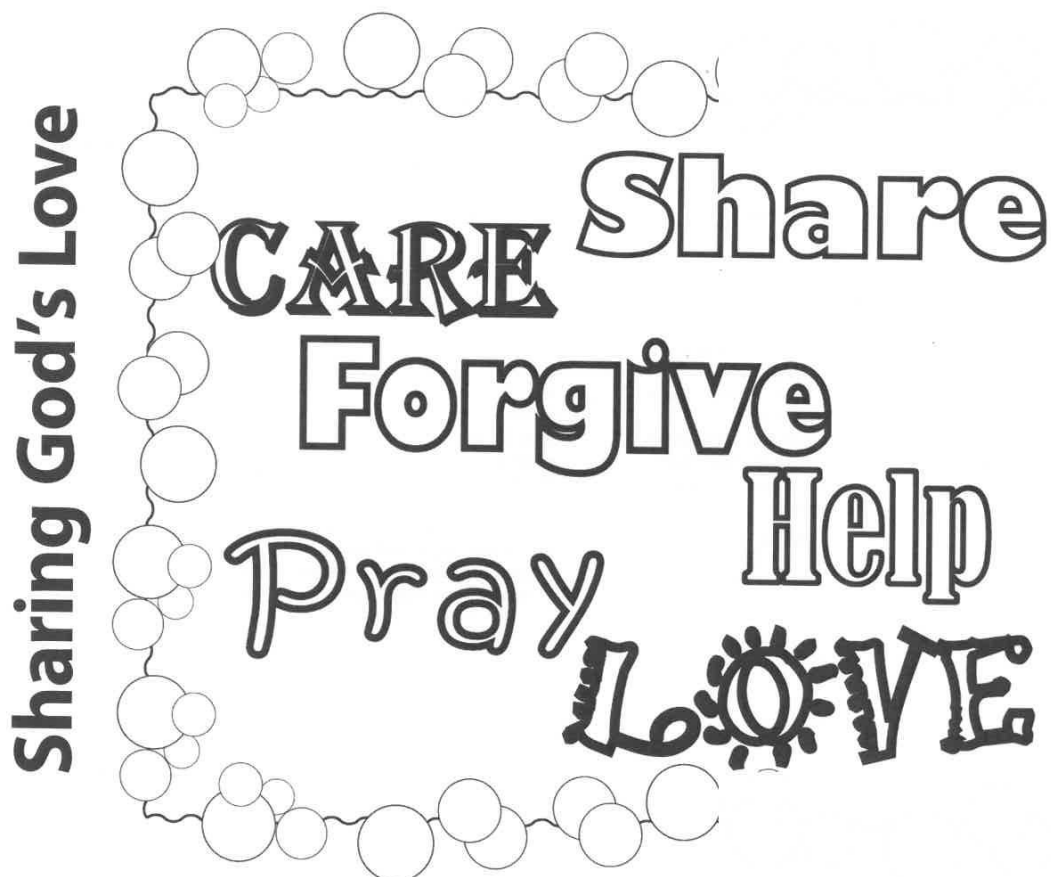
Gen 45:3-11, 15 • Ps 37:1-11, 39-40 • 1 Cor 15:35-38, 42-50 • Lk 6:27-38

### **Next week 3<sup>rd</sup> March – (Epiphany 7)**

Preacher 9:15am & 11am – Rev Doug Hosking

Worship Leader 9:15am Mark Gill & 11am – Bev Eccleston

### **Reflections on the Reading**



## ***This Week***

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### **New Appointment for Craig Mitchell**

I'm pleased to announce that I've just accepted a call to be the *Presbytery Minister - Church Development* for Port Phillip East Presbytery in Victoria. I will be one of a team of three presbytery ministers, with particular responsibility for working with congregations and ministers in growing in their life and mission, as well as focusing on lay education. The presbytery has 70 congregations and 50 ministers, and stretches from South Melbourne down to Mornington Peninsula and out east including Glen Waverley, Dandenong, Frankston and Pakenham. We will be moving in late April and living in Frankston.

### **News from the Joint Nominating Committee**

The JNC has continued to meet and are able to give the required notice of a congregational meeting to be held on March 10, between services at 10:25am. At that time, we will bring the name, for approval by secret ballot, of a person to be our next minister to Blackwood Uniting Church.

**Adrian Brown, for the JNC**

### **Jars and Egg Cartons Needed**

The Thomas MND kitchen is about to enter full swing and jars are needed urgently! Please bring on Sunday if you can. Also, if you have any egg cartons they would be appreciated.

## ***BUC Events***

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### **First Friday Friends**

Our first meeting for the year will be on Friday 1st of March at 1pm in the coffee lounge. Phil Marlow will be talking to us about "The Railway Man" his grandfather who was Commissioner of Railways. Everyone is welcome.  
Helen Blake

### **Walking Group – Sunday, March 3**

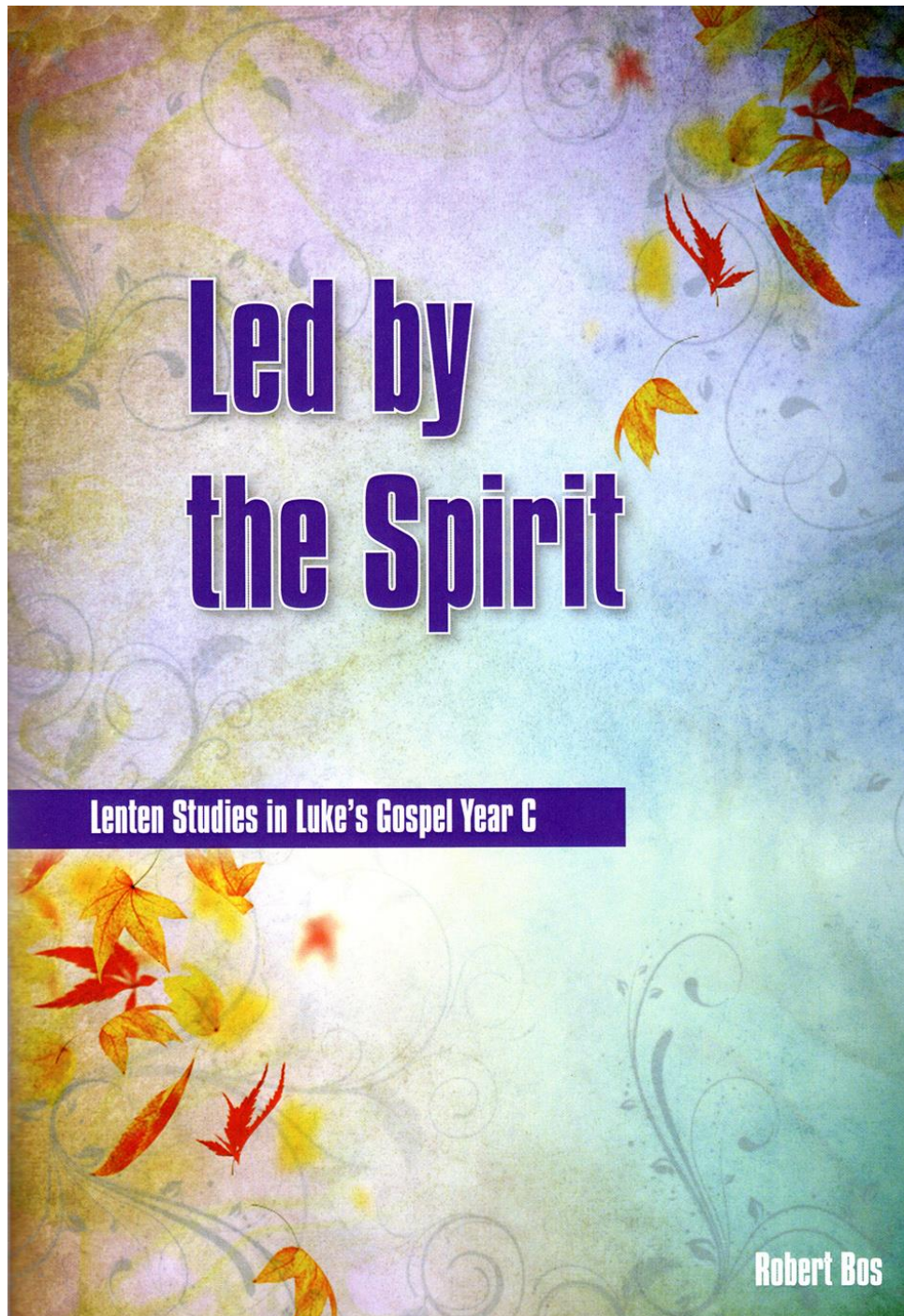
Because of the weather forecast of 37° for this Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February, the planned walk has been CANCELLED and rescheduled for the 3<sup>rd</sup> March (weather permitting). The walk will start at the Goodwood Railway Station where we will take the 2:08pm train to Brighton Station, then walk to Glenelg to catch the tram back to Goodwood. Milton & Jan Turner 8278 3523 or 0428 861 853.

### **C3PO Women's Social group - February lunch date:**

Our first lunch for 2019 will be at the Belair Café which is attached to the Belair Supermarket in the Belair shopping centre near the Belair triangle –on Tuesday week 26<sup>th</sup> February at 12.30pm. If you are not sure where it is, speak to Marnie or Carys Penny. It's air conditioned and has a varied menu including nachos, Korean dishes and yummy desserts. They seem confident they can cope with up to 20 of us! Please let Marnie Agnew know if you plan to come, before Monday 25<sup>th</sup> when numbers need to be confirmed. Email: [agnew05@bigpond.net.au](mailto:agnew05@bigpond.net.au) , mob 0408 474 699

## **'Led by the Spirit' - Lenten Studies in Luke's Gospel (Robert Bos)**

You are invited to join in a series of six discussions based on texts from the Gospel of Luke during Lent. We will be using the booklet "Led by the Spirit" by Rev Dr Robert Bos as our guide. Rob is formerly the National Consultant for Theology for the Uniting Church, Principal of Coolamon College and Director of the Pilgrim Learning Community in Queensland. The six sessions follow Jesus' life and ministry in Luke's Gospel and make connections to our lives today. You're invited to use the studies in Cluster Groups or other groups, and we will be creating a daytime group and an evening group as well. You can commence the studies on the week of 4 March or following. We will be referencing them during worship commencing Sunday 10 March. The books cost \$12.00 and we will be making a bulk order from Mediacom at the end of February. A copy of the study book is in the church office for your perusal. For more information contact the church office or Craig Mitchell. We have a registration form available to facilitate groups etc. in the office. If you are unable to join a group, you can also use the book for personal reflection at home. If you'd like to create or host a group for the six weeks, please let us know.





## ***Wider Community***

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### **Twilight Market**

The Noarlunga Uniting Church will be holding a Twilight Market on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February from 4pm to 8pm. It is located at 23 William Road, Christies Beach. All welcome.

### **Urban Mission Network Gathering**

The next UMN Gathering will be on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> February at Rosefield Uniting Church at 7pm to 9:15pm. The topic of discussion will be Presbytery restructure: a missional response for an evolving church. Dessert and refreshments will be provided – RSVP for catering purposes by 19<sup>th</sup> February to [susan@urbannetwork.org.au](mailto:susan@urbannetwork.org.au)

### **'Hold them Close' by Sarah Agnew:**

Copies of Sarah's new poetry book are again available, cost \$15.

Contact Marnie: 0408 474 699, [agnew05@bigpond.net.au](mailto:agnew05@bigpond.net.au)

### **The shape of prayer with Tony Eldridge**

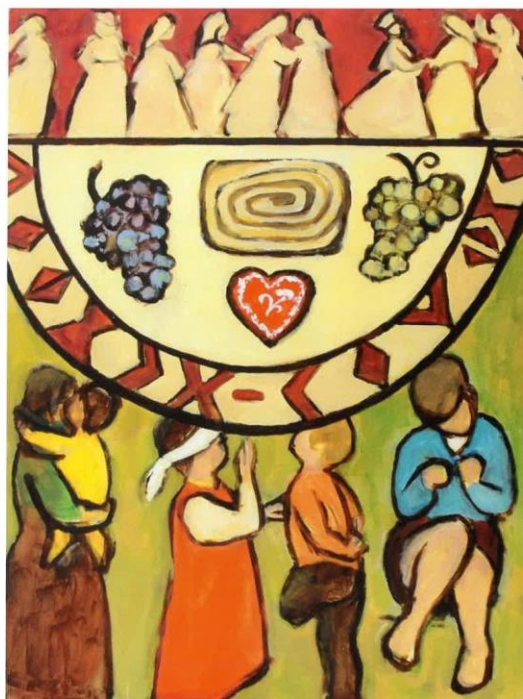
Come and join Rev Tony Eldridge, as he explores the shape of prayer: how do we pray in worship, why do we pray, what do we say, how does praying in community differ to praying alone? Tuesday 26 March @7.30pm, Rosefield UC. \$10/person or \$40/congregation. Tickets available at the door or visit the CMLA website.



World Day of Prayer—March 2019

**SLOVENIA**

**'Come—Everything Is Ready'**



Date FRIDAY MARCH 1<sup>st</sup> 2019  
Time 10-30 AM  
Place HOLY INNOCENTS ANGLICAN CHURCH  
BELAIR

## Looking ahead in 2019 ...

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Tuesday	26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6:30pm	Women's C3PO Social Group Lunch
Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7:00pm	UMN Gathering
Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> Mch	10:30am	World Day of Prayer
Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mch	2:00pm	Walking Group
Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup> Apr		Garage Sale
Saturday	10 <sup>th</sup> Aug	7:00pm	BUC Quiz Night

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