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A Word From the Executive Officer

It has been a fantastic privilege to run two consultation sessions over the last two weeks looking at our values and how they play out well in our work at CCS as well as how they might fall short.

Our staff team took a much needed day away from the office and were generously hosted by Ormond College who provided a gorgeous space for us to have some bigger values conversations. This day included most of our staff as well as 3 university students who are currently completing placements in Social Work and Psychology with us at CCS. It was also a wonderful opportunity to build our sense of team and get to know each other a bit better. We were also hosted for lunch in the Ormond College lunch room.... Which felt a bit like eating at Hogwarts!!

The staff team is pictured here including our students, and Sandy who runs a student leadership program at Ormond College supporting our Homework Club. Unfortunately Yirgalem is not seen in the photo, but her wisdom and historical knowledge on the day was significant.

On Tuesday this week a great group of local people, residents and volunteers from CCS gathered together in Dyson Hall to consider this also. This included a good number from our congregation. They were insightful, stimulating and thought-provoking conversations and great ideas and feedback about our work. I was delighted at the

diversity of backgrounds represented as I looked around the room. We look forward to pulling this together as part of our strategic planning process for the next 3 years. Finally a huge thanks once again to those who generously donated to our Winter Appeal at tax time – we were delighted to raise \$26,000.

We continue to be so incredibly grateful for all of your contributions whether financial, time, material or just moral support. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers as we move into the second half of the year.

Virginia Moebus-Nelson
Executive Officer
Can Community Support



This Week at CAN

- Sunday July 28 @ 10.00 CAN worship
- Wednesday July 31 @ 7.45am Holy Communion by Zoom
- Sunday August 4 @ 10.00pm CAN worship, with Elika preaching
- Sunday August 4 @ 12.00 CAN Church Council

Lectionary Bible Readings

Today

July 28, 2024

2 Samuel 11:1-15, Psalm 14, Ephesians 3:14-21, John 6:1-21

Next Sunday August 4, 2024

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a, Psalm 51:1-12, Ephesians 4:1-16, John 6:24-35

CAN roster for Sunday volunteers:

	28 July GREEN Pentecost 10	4 August GREEN Pentecost 11 HC	11 August GREEN Pentecost 12 Congregation Mtg		28 July GREEN Pentecost 10	4 August GREEN Pentecost 11 HC	11 August GREEN Pentecost 12 Congregation Mtg
<u>Preacher</u>	Ray G	Elika S	Ray G	<u>Property</u>	David J	Ian B	David J
<u>Liturgist</u>	Elika S	-	David H	<u>Offering</u>	David J Brendan C	Ian B Jeff J	Ken T David J
<u>PP Prep</u>	Jill T	Ray G	Jill T	<u>Hosp 1</u>	Barbara LV	Sue C	Julie P
<u>Music</u>	Mac N	Mac N	?	<u>Hosp 2</u>	Alice LV	Jill T	Jean D
<u>Camera</u>	Jeff J	William V	Paul SM	<u>Flowers</u>	Shirley J	Greta B	Jill T
<u>Reader</u>	Shiny I	Ken T	Jean D	<u>HC Elder</u>	-	Sue C	-
<u>AV</u>	David J	Ian B	David J	<u>Children</u>	Jill T Ken T	Ken T Jill T	Jill T Elika S
<u>Greeter</u>	Shirley J	Ken T	Paul SM Lois S				

Position vacant

Uniting VicTas is advertising for a Church Engagement Worker to develop relationships between UCA congregations and Uniting VicTas services. Email [Cheryl Lawrie](mailto:Cheryl.Lawrie@uniting.org.au) for details.

CAN Congregation

Offerings to the Church of All Nations Parish Mission.

Your offerings support the ministry and mission of the congregation. The Congregation budget contributes the major component of the Community Support budget as well as ministry costs and other mission support.

Offerings can be made during the church service OR by regular bank transfer.

Bank transfers can be regular as weekly, fortnightly, monthly Offerings, OR as an occasional offering

Bank details are:

Bendigo Bank BSB 633000 Account No.:191446954

Name: Church of All Nations of Carlton

Link for live streaming the 10.00am Service

Here is the link to watch the 10.00am service live on the church's Facebook page. You do not need a Facebook account to watch.

<https://www.facebook.com/CarltonChurchOfAllNations>

We will continue to offer this option for those who may be uncomfortable attending in person for whatever reason - health,

Donations to CAN Community Support

Donations to CAN Community Support are tax deductible and can be made in person to CAN Community Support Administration Office (Tuesday – Thursday) in the CAN Centre, OR by Bank transfer as follows:Bank details are:

Bendigo Bank: BSB 633000

Account No.: 191170380

Name: CAN Community Support

CAN Wednesday Communion

Each Wednesday at 7.45am a group of around 8 people gather by Zoom for a time of worship and fellowship, including sharing the bread and wine. The worship service runs for around 30 minutes. BYO bread and wine.

Click [here](#) for link to Wednesday Zoom Communion



You can read all about the National assembly that concluded last week by clicking [here](#).

This is actually the **Synod E-news** link so it will have a whole lot of other interesting news and bits and pieces for you to catch up on. Stuff like 'Food and Social Justice' is the theme of the Justice and International Mission Cluster's 2024 convention, to be held at the

Centre for Theology and Ministry on October 5. And Cuban scholar, author and activist, Dr Miguel A. De La Torre, will present the next Northey Lecture, to be held at Pilgrim Theological College, on

The Victorian Council of Churches

The Victorian Council of Churches (VCC) was an early ecumenical organisation after the end of World War II, and was formally established around the time that the World Council of Churches was established. [Click on this link](#) for a brief overview of the ecumenical movement that arose late 19th/early 20th century, and to the present. (It is a work in progress but gives an introduction to the chronology/ historical context for the ecumenical movement)

Three significant events are planned on **Friday 9th and Saturday 10th of August 2024**. Costs have been kept as low as possible to encourage maximum participation. ALL registrations via Humanitix (links below) - new information will be updated on Humanitix.

1. A day conference on Friday 9th August (9.30am-4pm)

Note: Venue change to 130 Lonsdale St, Wesley Place (Uniting Church Synod)

Keynote presentation by Victoria Turner, and other presentations on the broad theme, *Migration-in-Ecumenism*. Cost \$20 (includes morning & afternoon tea, and a light lunch).

Information, registration and payment **only** on the [Humanitix event page](#).

2. A day event on Saturday 10th August (10am-12 noon)

Note: change of time, format and modified program (Those who have registered will be informed of change of details (and a refund if already paid).

Victoria Turner's presentation followed by discussion will now be on **Zoom** (and free). Details will be uploaded to the Humanitix event page (see link below).

Information, registration and payment: [Humanitix event page](#).

3. A dinner on Saturday 10th August, to celebrate 75 years of VCC, with keynote presentation by Victoria Turner. Information, Registration and payment: [Humanitix event page](#). The cost of \$50 is subsidised by VCC (a drinks package is extra).

It is disappointing to have less registrations than we had hoped for. Please register asap if you are interested in coming to the dinner.

Cost for the meal is subsidised by VCC.

CAN:

COMMITTED TO CARING FOR CREATION



Our Commitment:
to Protect Creation –
Bold Climate Action by 2030
starting NOW

But what can I do?!
*3rd in a series of weekly tips
for home use)*

3. Shower less

- The biggest savings for the least effort comes from cutting your shower time (if you have long showers, say, for an aching back, or for relaxing, or for waking up.
- Cutting your daily shower from 8 minutes to 4 minutes saves up to 350 kilograms of CO2 a year.

Congregation Meeting

Sunday 11 Aug 11.15 am
following morning worship

ALL WELCOME
TO HEAR WHAT'S GOING ON
- AND BE PART OF IT



CAN Website

Did you know that you can catch up with the previous bulletins and most of the previous sermons by going to the CAN website. Just click [here](#)

CAN Strategic Plan

The current three year CAN Strategic Plan is due to expire this year. We did spend a significant amount of time and energy doing a “refresh” on it last year and the Church Council does not discern that the congregation is ready for a major, blue sky, “from the ground up” Strategic Planning exercise again. But the Church Council is definitely open to hearing any new or emerging priority areas in the life of the congregation people would like to bring forward. Church Council has adopted the following time line

Time Line for New Strategic Plan

- June 30 start thinking of strategic plan in worship
- June 30 Church Council approves date and process
- July 7 and July 14 promoting Strategic plan process in worship and invite people to prayerfully discern any new directions/priorities and to be preparing a presentation or meeting
- July 21, 28 Aug 4 - Process open for new ideas to be presented
- Current Strategic Plan is available - emailed and hard copies at worship June 30
- Articles in bulletin, have a 3-5 minute spot in worship, speak to people or organise a small group after worship
- If any new ideas are presented for consideration then the person will be asked to present at congregational meeting on August 11.
- If no new ideas are forthcoming then the Strategic Plan working group will be asked to review current ideas and activities with a view to updating existing ones.

A Reminder of our 6 Priorities Areas Adopted in the 2021-2024 Strategic Plan

