

NOTICES

TODAY 2 May, at 2pm, the Friends of the Auburn Tower Inc. presents **75 Years that Changed the World**, The programme will include musical items by Cathedral Brass Quintet; the Melbourne Chamber Choir; and organist Anthony Halliday. The compère will be Kenneth Park. Interspersed between the musical items will be videotaped presentations by an ex-serviceman, a pre-war refugee and a post-war migrant, together with composer and Boroondara resident George Dreyfus, whose music will be featured. The concert will be followed by afternoon tea and songs in the Hall.

Thursday 6 May Coffee Morning meeting at 10:15 am in the Pawsey Room. Speaker: Dr Shannon Woodcock "From communist Romania to capitalist Gippsland" Shannon Woodcock is a historian who studied everyday life and racism in communist Romania and Albania, and who is now writing about colonial history in Gunai Kurnai Country - so-called Gippsland. Shannon is currently a Creative Research Fellow at the State Library Victoria, and has previously held positions at La Trobe University, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and Tirana University, Albania. Her publications include 'The Absence of Albanian Jokes about Socialism or why some dictatorships are not funny' and 'Biting the Hand that Feeds: Australian Cuisine and Aboriginal Sovereignty in the Great Sandy Strait'. Everybody welcome.

If you're passing the church and recognise weeds in the garden please feel free to pull out the weeds and put them in the green bin. All help is much appreciated.

Flowers Today: Daphne Arthur
Reader Today: Bruce Macrae
Readings: next week
Acts 10: 44-48
1 John 5: 1-6

Next week: May Lam
Next week: Alan Chuck
Psalm 98
John 15: 9-17

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The Auburn Newsletter

Hawthorn Uniting Parish

Sunday 2nd May 2021

Service Today
10am Worship Service
Rev Steve Crump

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Welcome to all who worship at Auburn today.
The order of service proceeds without announcement.
Responses by the congregation are in bold type.

Easter 5

ORGAN PRELUDE: *Prelude in G major* BMV 568
JS Bach (1685-1750)

INTROIT: *Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est*
When there is compassion and love, God is there
Jacques Berthier (Taize)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let our praise for all that God has done
resound within and beyond these walls.
When all people worship God,
the poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and justice and peace
will embrace present and future generations.

HYMN 386: *By your kingly power, O risen Lord*

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray: Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; ...
We get caught up in power-struggles and the urge to control, sometimes through deeds and language which make others powerless.
(silent confession)

Sunday Service
10 am weekly

Holy Communion:
monthly:
10 am: 3rd Sunday

Church Lunch:
12 noon in the Hall
monthly 3rd Sunday

Morning Coffee
10.15am monthly
1st Thursday, March
to November, in the
Eileen Pawsey
Room

Church Council:
7.45 pm monthly
2nd Thursday in the
Pawsey Room

*NB: Dates and times
may occasionally
change documented
in the pew sheet
notices*

May Jesus' commandment of love become
the chief desire of our hearts,
the source of all our thoughts
and the inspiration of our lives. **Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Jesus invites us to dwell in him as he dwells in us
and he tells us we have already been cleansed by the word
that he has spoken to us. So, hear and believe the good news
that through Jesus who dwells in us, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God Alleluia! **Amen!**

HYMN 641: *This is my will, my one command*

FIRST LESSON: Acts 8: 26-40

PSALM 22: 25-31 (*Words UiW p. 259*)

Refrain: Praise the Lord. Praise the name of the Lord.

EPISTLE: 1 John 4: 7-21

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: **Alleluia.** I am the vine, you are the branches.
Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit. Alleluia.

(John 15:5)

GOSPEL: John 15: 1-8

Anthem: *Now the green blade rises*

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom we have slain,
Thinking that he never would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for the three days in the grave had lain,
Quick from the dead our risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Then your touch can call us back to life again;
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green!

SERMON

HYMN 665: *Jesus Christ is waiting,*

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

The Lord's Prayer

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

HYMN 153: *God is love, let heaven adore him*

BENEDICTION:

The God of peace,
Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,
That great shepherd of the sheep,
Make you perfect in every good work to do his will;
And the blessing of God, Almighty,
the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit
Be upon you and remain with you always.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!
In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Fantasia on 'Lobe den Herren'*

Uso Seifert (1852-1912)

(Please remain seated until the end of the postlude)