

## NOTICES (Continued)

We're pleased to welcome to morning tea Cheng Lim and George Carey, who are the sister and brother-in-law of the late Pheng Ng, whose estate paid for the refurbishment of the kitchen: Pheng's Kitchen. We also welcome Swee Gaik Skerry, their host while in Melbourne.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: Morning Coffee Meeting.** Please meet outside the Salvation Army Heritage Centre at 69 Bourke St, Melbourne at 10.15am. The visit will start with morning tea on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor. Please tell Dapne you intend to come so that she can look out for you on the day. The visit will include a tour of the Centre and a talk about The Salvation Army Project 614. There are many places nearby for lunch together afterwards.

**Sunday 17 March: Auburn Tower Open Day 4pm – 8pm.** The tower will be open for people to climb to the viewing deck. Book online to avoid disappointment – the later sessions are fully booked. Free for members of the Friends, nominal charge for others, minimum age: 6 years.  
Booking: [trybooking.com/COICW](https://trybooking.com/COICW)

**Sunday 14 April: Remembering Margaret Sutherland** – a twilight concert presented by the Friends of the Tower. Featured artists include Syrah Torii, mezzo soprano; Lily Tamir-Regev, Clarinet; Chris Nankervis, piano; Geoffrey Urquhart, organ; and compere Jillian Graham.

Following the musical programme, there will be a reception in the Hall. Copies of the book, *Inner Song*, a new biography of Sutherland, will be available for purchase and signing by the author Dr Graham. Proceeds will go to the Friends' Church Roof appeal, and to the Lyceum Club Melbourne's Margaret Sutherland Bursary Fund.

The Concert is generously sponsored by the Vera Moore Foundation and the Robert Salzer Foundation. Booking: [trybooking.com/CPEZY](https://trybooking.com/CPEZY)

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Reader Today: Alan Chuck      Next Sunday: Wendy Hughes Chuck  
Readings next week: Numbers 21: 4-9      Psalm 107: 1-9 (33-43)  
Ephesians 2: 1-10      John 3: 14-21

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**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  
1<sup>st</sup> 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*

# Auburn Uniting Church Hawthorn

We are worshipping on the land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nations. We acknowledge them as traditional custodians of the land past, present and future.

## Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

**Service Today**  
10am Morning Worship  
Rev Ross Carter

**Next Sunday**  
10am Morning Worship  
Rev Dr James Donaldson

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Welcome to all who worship at Auburn today.  
Responses by the congregation are in **bold** type.  
You are invited to stay for morning tea in the church after the service.

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## LENT 3

ORGAN PRELUDE: *A Solemn Prelude*  
JS Bach (arr E Power Biggs)

INTROIT: The heavens shall declare  
The heavens shall declare the glory of his name  
All creation bow at the coming of the King  
Every eye shall see, every heart will know,  
Every knee shall bow every tongue confess  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord;  
See the coming of the King: holy is the Lord.

*(Hymn 746)*

## GREETING

Bless the Lord God  
Who is present.  
Bless the Lord God  
Who forgives all our sins.  
**Whose mercy endures forever.**

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

## HYMN 463: May this Lenten discipline

### READINGS

Exodus 20: 1-17

**Psalm 19** (*UIW p.255, read responsively*)

1 Corinthians 1: 18-25

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of endless Glory. We proclaim Christ crucified,  
the power and the wisdom of God. (*1 Cor. 1: 22,24*)

John 2:13-22

### ANTHEM: A Canticle of Praise

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers,  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy name;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Glory to you in the splendour of your temple;  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the cherubim;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths;  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

(*Music: John Rutter*)

### SERMON

## HYMN 430: Your words to me are life and health

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*We pray together*)

**Almighty God, our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:**

**we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.  
Hear then Christ's word of grace to us:  
'Your sins are forgiven'.

## HYMN 25: As pants the hart for cooling streams

### OFFERING OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

### THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Page 122 Uniting in Worship*)

## HYMN 577: Come, let us to the Lord our God

### BLESSING/DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Mediation in Blue on 'Iste Confessor'*

Rosalie Bonighton

(*Please remain seated during the postlude*)

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### NOTICES

**Congregation Participation:** This year we would like to invite people in the congregation to contribute more to the morning worship on Sunday. Anne has put two documents on the resource table so that people can volunteer their interest. The first sheet asks for volunteers to come to church a bit earlier and remain in the Narthex to welcome people who come to church. The second sheet asks for volunteers to help with the prayers during the service. The teams would have a roster and all would meet together to plan the task. Please sign on – you can always pull out