



**PAYNEHAM ROAD
UNITING CHURCH
30 August 2020
Pentecost 13**



Welcome to our multicultural church at 10 am
Guest minister, Rev. Cate Baker

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c*

The psalms poetic utterances inspire our praise and gratitude. What once served as thanksgiving for God's goodness in Israel's history can now serve our worship, whether it be to praise God as creator of the universe or praise God as the one whose presence is ever with us. The psalmist has a take on history which recalls slavery in Egypt, liberation through Moses, the journey through the wilderness, and the conquest of Canaan. We might not share the view that God generated hate among the surrounding nations, let alone that God would have Israel exterminate or expel the land's inhabitants. Land grabs do not sit well with a sense of justice and respect for all peoples. There are ways of being grateful for advantage that do not mean we have to see others as out of favour or unloved. Other strands of the Old Testament focus not on Israel taking what belongs to others, but on sharing with them the blessings of the covenant, being partners of peace and feasting together on Mount Zion, an image that inspires the Eucharist. Then, as promised to Abraham, his seed is a blessing for all peoples. It always pays to be careful about what our praises imply, always best to hail God's love above all.

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BIBLE READINGS for Sunday, 6 September Pentecost 14

**Exodus 12:1-14
Romans 13:8-14**

**Psalm 149
Matthew 18:15-20**

Church Family News

PLEASE PRAY FOR

...our members & friends struggling with ill health, especially remember in your prayers: Betty N., Marj G., Andrew R. Ray W., Judy M., Doug Faulkner, Nessie, Bill & Grace, Bob & Beth, Roger W., Dennis H, Ray & Jackie, Cate W, Russell, John S., Dana, Judy R (in hospital)



Val W. (2), Sharon (5), Marj G. (7), Do Young (12), Dennis (14), Gwenda B. (18),

Congratulations to Sarah and Mitchell on the birth of their twin girls, Isla & Billie, born recently. Proud great-grandfather is Dennis Henschke.



PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE



Alternatives:

Saturday, 3 October, Deidre Palmer will host 3 x 1 hour Webinars that showcase some of the content of the conference. More information about this will be available soon.

Sunday 4 October, we will offer worship in two ways –

1. Livestreamed through the Assembly Online Worship forum
2. As a written liturgical resource and a short pre-recorded sermon that you may use with your own community.

Prayer Points—from Synod

- That in this time of sorrow and worry, we may know Christ's steadfast, enduring love, a love that gives us courage to care for our neighbours and reach out in ways that strengthen our communities
- During this Season of Creation, we pray in thanksgiving for the earth which all life is rooted, sun which energy radiates life, water which nurtures and revives us, and other co-creatures for which we are called to care and love.

URGENTLY NEEDED

COUNTERS FOR YOUR OFFERING ON SUNDAYS

2 people are needed each Sunday.

Please contact Sharon if you can help.

The One Day Global Leadership experience

On Friday 16th October, the one day Global Leadership experience will be held in SA - online!. I am sending you preliminary info for you to review. We have four tickets already booked and would like to make up a group of PRUC members/ leaders to view this webinar . I already have four tickets and we can purchase more at \$50 each - the cost may be able to be covered by the church if there are more people interested.



This is a unique opportunity to attend this webinar so if you are interested please contact Do Young, Sharon or me. I will talk to many of you over the next few weeks to invite your attendance as part of PRUC group. Heather Schubert

A Prayer in a Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced
remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors
remember those most vulnerable.



May we who have the luxury of working from home
remember those who must choose between
preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for
our children when their schools close,
remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips
remember those who have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money
in the tumult of the economic market
remember those who have no margin at all.



May we who settle in for a quarantine at home
remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country,
let us choose love.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other,
let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours.

AMEN

WORSHIP ROSTER

ROSTERED	30 August	6 September
MINISTER	Rev. Cate Baker	Rev. Do Young Kim
ORGAN	Roger / Sue	Peter
WORSHIP LEADER	Woody	Lesley
READER	Bill F	Rose
WELCOME, OFFERING & COUNT	Val W Meng	Jan Heather
FLOWERS	Ailini	Gwenda
SOUND SYSTEM	Brenton	David
OFFERING COUNT	Ailini / Dennis	Jessica / Sue

Currently Heather is the only congregation member to have Covid-Marshal training. She would appreciate others to share the duty on the roster. Training is not painful. Please speak to Heather and find out what is involved. It is a government requirement to have Marshals at the church.

DIARY DATES

September

Thursday 3 9.30pm Coffee, Chat & Craft Hall

COFFEE, CRAFT & CHAT - Cards with Sandi **3 September 2020**



Please note: Time has changed back to 9.30am finishing at 11.30am.
All materials will be supplied. **BYO** morning tea/coffee biscuit/cake.

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