



HOLY COVENANT ANGLICAN CHURCH JAMISON

To grow in Christ together, to equip for service, to care for all



3 July 2016
Seventh Sunday
after Pentecost



We welcome you to our worship and fellowship today, and we offer a special welcome to visitors and pray that you will feel at home in our community.

You are warmly invited to share Communion with us, either by drinking from or dipping the wafer in the chalice, or to come forward for a blessing.

Reflection after Communion – please feel free to light a prayer candle in the Chapel at the back of the Church following Communion.



SERVICES TODAY

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
Celebrant: Revd Anne Dudzinski
Preacher: Revd Rob Miners

10.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
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3.30 pm Rainbow Fellowship



Please join us for morning tea after the Services

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH			
Monday 4.7.16	10.00am	Worship Centre	Covenant Care
Tuesday 5.7.16	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation Belonging and Caring meeting
Wednesday 6.7.16	12 noon 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 7.7.16	9.30 am 11.30 am	Rainbow Centre Worship Centre	Scrabble Community Lunch

The Holistic Care Nursing office is open from 10am – 2pm Monday and Thursday
except public holidays

WEEK BEGINNING 10 July 2016			
Monday 11.7.16	10.00am 10.00 am 1.30 pm	Worship Centre Kangara Waters Care Ctre Calvary Retirement Village	Covenant Care Communion Service Communion Service
Tuesday 12.7.16	12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Meditation Communications Team meeting
Wednesday 13.7.16	12 noon 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Worship Centre Worship Centre Rainbow Centre	Holy Communion and BYO Lunch Ever Active Exercise Class Meditation
Thursday 14.7.16	9.30 am	Rainbow Centre	Scrabble
Saturday 16.7.16	9.00 am	Worship Centre	Working Bee



SAVE THE DATES

- # Sat 30 July—Parish dinner
- # Sat 3 Sept—**Susanna's induction in Sale**
- # Fri 16-18 Sept—Parish Retreat at Galong
- # Sat 5 Nov—HC Plant sale and mini fete

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

“If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy” 2 Kings 5:3

I wonder if any of you watched *Dr Thorne* on ABC recently? (still on view if you love a good costume drama!) The delight of the adaptation of the 1858 novel by Anthony Trollope was the characters and their personalities which left no room for nuance. Dr Thorne is the personification of measured judgment and virtue. His niece and ward Mary Thorne is a kind, considerate and astute young woman. Mary has inherited compassion rather than the airs and graces of some of the daughters of nobility. Lady Arabella is characterised by her whole hearted pursuit of a suitably rich bride for her son Frank. Frank’s choice of Mary Thorne simply will not do! Her urgency is due to her affable husband’s unwise financial decisions which have lost the family’s fortune. Lady Arabella laments their current state of affairs, “Oh that there would be a gospel written about me, how I have suffered!”

Drama, irony and characterisation are also on display in the Hebrew Scriptures. Today’s wonderful story from 2 Kings is a great example. This story displays a dichotomy between those with power and those without. There is also a distinction between those who can see the potential for God to be at work in unexpected people and places and those who resist it.

The young, unnamed servant girl from the land of Israel is a captive in a foreign land and yet she still decides to reveal to her master where he might find healing. I wonder if Naaman and his wife recognised her as an agent of grace and restored to her people and family? Naaman is shown to be in want of healing, yet he wants it on his own terms. Naaman is enraged by the instructions given by Elisha, “He wants me to do what?! Can’t he heal me in person? Why are the rivers of Israel any better than the rivers of Damascus?” (v.12). We can imagine his long suffering servants coaxing him to follow Elisha’s instructions, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was ‘wash and be clean’?” (v.14). The King of Israel displays the paranoia that can sometimes accompany power. He assumes the worst about the foreign commander’s motives. The King’s rhetorical utterance “Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy” (v.7) can also remind those in power that they do in fact have huge influence over the quality of human life in their jurisdiction.

Perhaps the King could have opted to use the theological resources that the servant girl had and point Naaman to the prophet Elisha. Elisha on hearing that the King has torn his clothes then acts so the Naaman is healed and may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.

The Hebrew Scriptures carry within them theological truths which intersect with the truths of the way that people chose to act, the character they develop and the social systems to which they belong. We need the prophets among us to remind all of us with power that the resources we have access to are not for us alone. Prophets remind us to choose grace rather than paranoia. For in the economy of God all have access to the water which brings life. May it be so.

Revd Katherine Rainger



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Last week I met a man who I would describe as an inventor/entrepreneur. He came to St John's Care seeking assistance, as he was homeless. The previous night he had slept at the Safe Shelter in Braddon and he had some breakfast at the Early Morning Centre in Civic. He walked here with a back pack and a large suitcase, the only possessions he had with him.

He proceeded to share some of his story. He had a number of really interesting inventions, the first of which was quite unique. He had some samples with him and he proudly showed them to me. He had attracted some seed funding for the production of the prototype, had been to China to organise their manufacture and had already locked in some distributors and contracts. He showed me a range of media articles, including some of him being interviewed on one of those early morning TV shows like Today or Sunrise. Given my interest and experience in start-up and small business, we chatted for some time.

However, with some initial success also came a challenge from a large corporation claiming that he had infringed their copyright on one of the components of his product.

Operating a small business is difficult enough without a court case hanging over your head and despite some legal advice that he has nothing to worry about, his mental health has deteriorated to a point where he has left the "chaos" of Melbourne, arriving in Canberra with nowhere to stay.

We were able to assist him to apply for some medium term accommodation and organised for him to stay at a local hotel for a week while he got his affairs in order.

He returned this week with a smile on his face. He has an appointment with a local housing provider and had made a number of business contacts in Canberra already. He used our internet facility and we were able to give him some food and of course we chatted some more. He agreed to stay in touch and stated that he would repay all the help we had given him, when he was back on his feet.

I think with some stability of accommodation and some further legal support with his court case, his mental health will improve, as will his general well-being. I look forward to keeping in touch and hearing of what I hope will be great success in his future business ventures. Watch this space...

Wish list: tinned tomatoes, tinned fruit, tooth paste and children's toothbrushes.

Stuart Davis-Meehan, Director

All Donations to St John's Care are Tax Deductible



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

IN THE WORLD

- ◆ We pray for the people of Turkey devastated by the bombings and gun attack at Istanbul's main airport.

IN AUSTRALIA

- ◆ We pray for a generous and compassionate spirit in our nation between various ethnic and cultural groups. We pray for an open-minded willingness to listen and to learn from others, and for an end to fear of difference and diversity. We pray for NAIDOC Week that commences today.

WORLD WIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

- ◆ We pray that Anglicans might learn to rejoice in diversity and find unity within it.
- ◆ We pray for the Church in Canterbury and in Ondo, Nigeria.
- ◆ We pray for the bishops, clergy and people of the Dioceses of Brisbane and Bunbury.

IN OUR DIOCESE

- ◆ We pray for the clergy and people in the parishes of Braidwood, Bungendore and Gunning.
- ◆ We pray for the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture and for its outreach to the wider community.

MISSION

- ◆ We pray for labourers to be sent into the harvest, that wherever hearts are ripe to hear the gospel, men and women of understanding, wisdom and compassion might be heard proclaiming it, and seen living it. Especially we pray for Bush Church Aid in Winton, Qld and North Hampton, WA.

IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY

- ◆ We give thanks for the life of Mary Pearson (Carol Sherman's Mum) who died in England recently. We also give thanks for the lives of Adrienne and Bill who attended Covenant Care. We pray for their families and friends as they mourn their loss.
- ◆ We pray for our Clergy Appointment Board as they work to find us a new Rector.
- ◆ We pray for the following members of our parish family: Mavis McLaren; Justine McNamara; David and Margaret Meggs; Rod and Ann Menzies; Jean Metters; Ross and Christine Mitchell and Noel Montgomery.
- ◆ We pray for those in special need of prayer: Phil Perman, Glenys Wimmer, Bev Barnes, Des Pain and those known to us personally.

COMMEMORATIONS:

- Today: Thomas, Apostle and Martyr
Tuesday: **Arthur William Ryan** (died 1997)
Friday: **Iris Hall** (died 1996)





COMMUNITY LUNCH Thursday 7 July 11.30 for 12 noon

You are invited to our second community lunch for this year. Please invite any others in our community, especially those who may feel isolated and may appreciate a nice lunch, some fellowship and a great keynote speaker.

We have sign up sheets for:

- Attending
- Offers of making slices (including gluten free)
- Able to assist at the lunch.

We will be treated to a presentation by John McCaffrey about the War Memorial so tell your friends and relatives to share in the fellowship. For catering purposes please register on the sign-up sheet. If you have any questions please call Penny Lilley ph 6251 2592.



LET'S CELEBRATE OUR 48TH BIRTHDAY!! SATURDAY 30 JULY 7pm



Cost: \$40 per adult
\$100 family of 2 adults and their children .

For that you will get a 3 course meal with the theme of "Family Favourites" with entree, mains and a spectacular dessert trolley.

SIGN-UP IF YOU WANT TO JOIN THE PARTY!

This is a fund-raising dinner and there will be a silent auction—so start thinking about what you can offer for auction.

THE SILENT AUCTION:

We are having a silent auction, contact the office for where to donate goods.

There is a sign up sheet for individual guests at the back of the church and anyone who would like to host a table please email or call Kathryn Body: kathryn.body@thinkplace.com.au or 0403 500 882.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We have had a wonderful term of children's ministry hearing different Godly Play stories from Creation to Noah and the Great Family's Journey in following the call of God. Children's Church played with the Pentecost story, discussed the characters of the story of Naboth's vineyard, considered creation and some of the story of Paul. We also planned and delivered a family service with the theme, "Listening for God." Thanks to the Youth group members who helped to make the kids and parents social event after the family service so much fun.



Children's Church is in recess over the school holidays. We resume on the 17th July. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the children's ministry team who give of their time and talents on Sunday morning and at Rainbow Playgroup on Friday Morning. Your contribution to our life together at Holy Covenant is greatly appreciated.

Revd Katherine Rainger

Are you looking for some part time work?

The Holistic Care Nursing program is seeking a coordinator to take over the overall management of the program. The ideal person will have a background in nursing, physiotherapy or community services who is well organised, fit and passionate about keeping people in their homes, caring about isolated people and helping those suffering difficulties to get back on their feet. You will be responsible for working with other agencies and volunteers from within the parish. The position is funded for up to 25 hours per week.



If this interests you and you would like more information please contact Anne Ranse by phone on 0439 139 209 or email nurse@holycovenant.org.au

Prayer for choosing an incumbent

Bountiful God,
give to this parish a faithful pastor
who will faithfully speak your word
and minister your sacraments;
an encourager who will equip your people for ministry
and enable us to fulfil our calling.
Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience,
and to us give warm and generous hearts,
for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**



(A Prayer Book for Australia page 212, No. 36)

Parish Council News from this week's meeting...

- Several council members attended Creating Safe Ministries awareness and refresher workshops in late May.
- Welcoming rosters of Parish Council members are in operation; Phyl Holmes briefed Council on how we can help new people feel welcome.
- The Treasurer reported that the parish financial situation is sound, even though offerings are a little down on last year and we have several new appointments since the beginning of 2016 - Youth Workers, Children's Worker and Hon. Deacon, Pastoral Care Coordinator. A key reason is that clergy costs, notably housing, are lower during our period without a long term Rector. Fund raising, e.g. at the Parish Dinner next month and the Plant Sale and mini-fete in November will be important as we move through the year.
- There is welcome news that funding will be received for the Holistic Care Nursing Program to enable appointment of a coordinator who will work with Archdeacon Anne Ranse; and Covenant Care has renewed financial support. Congratulations on both counts! A Holistic Care Nursing Management Committee has been formed which will be responsible to Parish Council for the HCN Program.
- Follow-up is to take place on a number of Work Health and Safety matters, including transporting people to the church, and incidents that might have caused injury. **We would also like to know who in our congregations holds a current certified first aid qualification - if you do, please let the Office Administrator (Libby Warren) know.**
- The Resources Coordination Team is focusing on minor repairs such as to the sliding doors in the Worship Centre, and more suitable shelving for the prayer and hymn books. Some other more significant capital and maintenance items are being investigated and costed.
- Reports were received from all our very active teams - noting e.g. a great service and activities involving children and families last Sunday. We wished our Youth a wonderful camp this weekend, not too cold or wet!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Saturday: Elaine Dennis (ending in a 'O')

*If you want your name in the Birthday Book,
email : weeklybulletin@holycovenant.org.au*

PASTORAL CARE ACCESSIBILITY



This is a Parish that really wants to care for people – in many different ways, from having tea/ coffee and listening sympathetically with a focus on the wellbeing of the other person, to more specific practical and spiritual support, and perhaps facilitating professional counselling under special circumstances.

With my appointment as Pastoral Care Coordinator a more intentional program is being developed, and members of the parish may wish to make contact to seek pastoral care or suggest ways in which it might be offered.

Contact options for pastoral care are:

1. Ring Anne Dudzinski on 6278 6087 or 0413 994 739. These numbers are in the back of the Weekly Bulletin or in the Parish Roll or the phone book. A message can be left on either if I am out of contact.
2. An email to pastoralcare@holycovenant.org.au about someone else or yourself, e.g. going to hospital or coming home again, needing a lift to get to church, losing someone dear to you. Only two people can access this, so it is confidential.
3. Contact Libby at the office (number in the Weekly Bulletin).
4. Contact other clergy directly (numbers in the Weekly Bulletin).

I can then try to arrange suitable action, including other willing volunteers or clergy.

This is a work in progress, subject to **feedback please!**

*(PS If Susan Joy, as an employee of Calvary Hospital, knows you are in Calvary, she is not at liberty to tell us unless you **ask** her to let us know).*

Blessings,
Anne Dudzinski

DRIVER with car needed for Hennessy House pickups for Sunday 10am services. Contact Anne if you can help.



SATURDAY 16 JULY
From 9am till 12 noon

Come and help keep our buildings and grounds clean and tidy. Delicious morning tea provided.

Working bees are held throughout the year on the third Saturday of every month.

Limerick Competition
See photo gallery on website for winning limericks and photos
<http://www.holycovenant.org.au/photo-gallery.php>

Too much serious?
Subscribe to fun.





Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture

WISDOM WORKING FOR THE COMMON GOOD

NAIDOC Week seminar

7 July
3-5pm ACC&C Chapel

Storylines - Speaking through Country,

A seminar by The Reverend Karen Kime, Indigenous Academic Fellow, School of Humanities Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga.

Karen Kime is a Biripi woman and is Archdeacon of Indigenous Ministries for the Anglican Diocese Canberra and Goulburn. She has a long history of living and working with diverse Aboriginal communities across south eastern Australia. She is the Spiritual Advisor for the Research and Ethics Committee of the Australian Institute Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies and is on the board of the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture.

For information contact Susanna Pain
0418 637 469

ON THE NOTICE BOARD

- **NAIDOC Week seminar** by Revd Karen Kime Thurs 7 July 3pm at ACCC Chapel
- **Another Chance Op Shop**—50% mark down on all stock during 4-16 July, Scullin Shops, supported by Mosaic Baptist Church
- **Kippax Kids Holiday Happenings** Thurs 7 & 14 July 10am-2pm
- **CES annual dinner forum**, ‘What makes for the common good?’, Thurs 21 July, Bella Vista Belconnen, **Bookings by 13 July:** See CES website: www.ces.org.au
- **Becoming—a quiet day**, Sat 20 Aug, ACCC, rsvp Susanna Pain

Thought for the Day
Don't ask the world to change....you change first.
- Anthony de Mello

Office Closure
The office will be closed
12 –14 July.

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DETAILS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - 10 JULY - Eighth after Pentecost

8.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION	Celebrant: Revd Connie Gerrity Preacher: Revd Connie Gerrity
10.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION	Celebrant: Revd Connie Gerrity Preacher: Revd Connie Gerrity



	8.00 am	10.00 am
Sidespersons	Carol & Peter Sherman	Dorothy and Neville Hurst
Readers	Tony Willis Rosemary Kennemore Anne Ranse	Chris Olsson Dorothy Hurst Neville Hurst
Intercessor	Anne Ranse	George Gerrity
Organist	Mandy Squair	Pam Lane
Word & Prayer	Rhonda Thorpe	James Ellis
Deacon	Anne Ranse	
Cup	Rhonda Thorpe, Anne Ranse	James Ellis, George Gerrity, Neville Hurst, Leo Wimmer Extra Bread: Anne Dudzinski
Morning Tea	Mary Lynn Mather and Jocelyn Kirkland	Allison Campbell and Michael Allen
Children's Church	In recess	
Counting	Jen Collier & Peter Sherman	Neville Hurst & Quentin Grafton
Flowers	Jen Collier	
Cleaning	Lindsay & Anne McDowell	

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TODAY

SENTENCE: The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ask therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.

Luke 10:2

READINGS:

2 Kings 5: 1-14

Luke 10: 1-12, 17-24



8 am HYMNS

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PRAYER

O God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you,
that, loving you above all things,
we may obtain your promises
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



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Intercessor	Merrie Hepworth	Merri Bacon
Organist	Kath Arthur	Rhys Thorpe
Word & Prayer	Steve Daniels	Tobias Nevile
Deacon	Anne Ranse	
Cup	Steve Daniels, Anne Ranse	Doreen Matters, James Ellis, Tobias Nevile, Phyl Holmes Extra bread: Rob Miners
Morning Tea	Margaret and David Meggs	Danni Ellis, Merri Bacon, Judith Ann Daniels
Children's Church		In recess
Counters	Rhonda Thorpe David Kennemore	Martin Lange Naomi Cole