

# Beyond 2020 Vision

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Welcome to the October edition of Beyond 2020 Vision. Rev Paul Turley introduces us to the Year of Matthew which will begin in Advent.

We also bring you a eulogy for Margaret Boundy; news from the Netball Club, photos of significant birthdays (yes, more OBEs!) and a range of articles from a number of our readers.

The **deadline for the next Vision will be 31<sup>st</sup> October**. Either drop your contributions in to the church office or call/email Colin on 0427 122 106 or [snout-n-about@bigpond.com](mailto:snout-n-about@bigpond.com)

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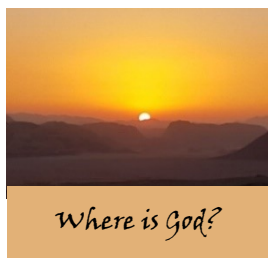
Colin Cargill, editor and Helena Begg, publisher.

## Reading the gospel of Matthew while the world heats up

Rev Paul Turley from Wimala Presbytery Newsletter

In a handful of weeks, we will be in Advent, the beginning of the church year, and we will be in the year of Matthew in the Revised Common Lectionary.

Forty years after Jesus, and perhaps 20 years before Matthew's gospel was written, the Jewish world blew up – Rome destroyed the temple in Jerusalem. Eighty-six years ago, Germany invaded Poland, the Second World War began, and our world blew up.



Where is God in a world where the place God lives, the temple, for the Jews, the heart of the world, is gone?

Where is God when one of the most cultured and ostensibly Christian nations in Europe plunges the world into war and the horrors of the holocaust?

And then, there's now... *The world had seen at least 1.1°C of global warming, six IPCC reports, 26 COPs and immeasurable suffering for the most affected people and areas, and yet it generated the largest surge in absolute emissions – the input that directly determines the rate of warming – in recorded history (Overshoot: How the World Surrendered to Climate Breakdown by Andreas Malm and Wim Carton.)*

Where is God when the world heats and we do nothing about it? Can an ancient document, written in a different language, for a different culture, in a different era, say anything meaningful to us today? That is our challenge, should we choose to accept it, in the year of Matthew.

- Here is a time of upheaval and chaos (Matthew 20:1-16, 21:33-41), of hunger and desperation (Matthew 14:13-21, 15:32-38), a time where everything is questioned: *Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?* (Matthew 22:17).
- Here are stories about refugees, mass murderers, torture, lies, and destruction: a story of *nation against nation and kingdom against kingdom* (Matthew 2:13-17, 23:7, 9, 16).
- Here too is a text that challenges our foundational thinking: are we building on *sand* or *rock* (Matthew 7:24-27)? Here, too, are words that speak to the *poor in spirit*, those devastated by destruction and despair (Matthew 5:3).
- Here also are words of courage: *What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops* (Matthew 7:1-15, 10:27), and of hope: *mourners will be comforted, the merciful, will receive mercy, and the pure of heart will see God* (Matthew 5:4, 7, 8).

And all through the kingdom of heaven - the world as it is meant to be, as it truly is in all it created goodness - *has come near*; it is *a treasure hidden in a field* (Matthew 3:2, 4:17, 10:7, 13:44).

Mathew's gospel tells a story of the kingdom of heaven in a world gone to hell.

## The two Kyms of jazz



Two Adelaide jazz legends, Kym Bonython and Kym Purling, have been inducted into the South Australian Music Hall of Fame for their contributions to the South Australian arts and cultural scene.

Kym Purling is the son of David (deceased) and Judith Purling. He graduated from the Elder Conservatorium with a Bachelor of Music and Jazz Studies and formed the Kym Purling Trio. The Trio performed in the 1990s, becoming one of the state's most prolific and recognisable musical groups.

In 1998, Kym moved to the University of Las Vegas and began performing in showrooms on the famous Las Vegas strip, playing for the likes of Frank Sinatra Junior, David Cassidy, Buddy Greco and more. He returned to Adelaide in 2020 and is in demand as a performer and musical director.

**You have an opportunity to celebrate with Kym and the Kym Purling Trio at Morialta UC Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 2.00pm in the church followed by afternoon tea in the hall.**

**Tickets - \$35, available through the church office at (08) 8331 9344 or online at [trybooking.com/DFKMY](http://trybooking.com/DFKMY)**





## Season of Creation

*From Rev Anne Butler*

Have you been enjoying the Season of Creation that we celebrated each week in September? I especially asked for those who were passionate about each topic to join me as the worship leader, and I believe it came across that we are passionate people about God's wonderful world.

Craig and I began with Ocean, one of the immense characters in Creation, responsible for our weather and especially rainfall. We remembered the fear of the ancients in crossing the seas, but then reflected the sea within – our blood and amniotic fluid that made us all early swimmers – part of, but also separate from, the mighty ocean.

## Ocean memories

*Helen Drew*

The recent service relating to the ocean, the lungs of the earth and part of the wonderful creation of our planet, sparked in me many ocean experiences. I felt moved to share some.

We have all experienced the beauty and changing faces of the ocean and we've also experienced stunning sunsets.

I want to write about being in the ocean. It is something which brings me great joy. I was privileged to have many holidays at the beach starting as a child at Henley Beach where my love of the ocean began. It was there I learnt to swim. My sister and I loved to play - diving under waves, between legs, handstands, swimming and floating; what a feeling, relaxing back and letting the water support me. It is so much easier in the salty ocean. And how life-changing this can be for people with disabilities, allowing them freedom from gravity and increased ability to move. The water can be used to assist movement or resist it. This is a passion of mine.

When we lived in Sydney (for 32 years) I discovered "real" waves and body surfing. I also developed a healthy respect for the ocean. There were times when I chose to not enter the water or a wave was not suitable to catch, but catching the right wave was exhilarating, feeling the power of the wave taking control of me and propelling me at speed towards the shore. Thrilling!

On our travels, I have always tried to add another ocean or sea to my experience. I include several examples. When we visited Dubrovnik in Croatia, it was far too hot to be exploring the city, and so, with our Australian friends, we caught a ferry a short distance to an island where we clambered down rocks into wonderful cool clear refreshing water. Off southern Turkey I swam from a boat with a few other people in

Then Colin joined me for Fauna Sunday and told great stories of being a vet in some challenging situations. Seeing all life is treated with respect, in humane conditions, including that we use as food.

We moved on to Storm Sunday, where Jan introduced the sounds of thunder and heavy raindrops and we thought about actual storms and those storms of life – the times of reconnecting, re-establishing and putting things right.

Then Margaret shared the amazing words of Professor Brian Cox as we tackled the cosmos! How is our life just a tiny speck in a meaningless universe? And what does that mean for our caring for the planet we love? (it is the only one with chocolate!)

Then to round out the Season of Creation, Bev joined me for Older Persons' Sunday, where we applaud the coming of wisdom and grace to the world through all those Older People! Those who have time, and yet are aware of the limits of the time remaining, and have begun to wrestle with the Hereafter and what gives life meaning.

I hope you have enjoyed the journey as we return to the usual Lectionary to see what Luke has in store for us, before we begin with Matthew in Advent on November 28<sup>th</sup>.

the Mediterranean. In the Netherlands, our Dutch friends were our tourist guides and included a beach stop where I swam in the North Sea. In the North Pacific, when we were living in Canada, I walked and walked to get to water deep enough for swimming off Vancouver Island. I can't remember if I was finally able to get under.

In more recent years I have shared snorkelling experiences with family. I took our oldest grandson snorkelling on the Great Barrier Reef. The colours of the myriad of fish were stunning - some quite clashing and improbable. With my son and daughter in law we witnessed a turtle while snorkelling off Green Island. It was fossicking in the soft coral just a couple of metres below me. The colours and markings of this ancient creature were remarkable. We also saw man-made metal scaffolding on the ocean floor. It is difficult for new coral to grow over a seabed of dead coral, but growth is successfully encouraged on the scaffolding.



My next grandson (from Sydney) I took on a "swimming with dolphins" tour off Glenelg. We were able to share the water with these intelligent creatures. They look like they're so happy frolicking in the water and smiling.

Soon after returning to Adelaide to live, I decided to have a swim at Henley Beach on a lovely sunny day in September/October, quite forgetting how cold the water would be. I was in up to my knees and wanted to persevere, but it was so cold.

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Then I saw a fin! It was earlier that morning that I had been reading how to differentiate between a shark fin and a dolphin fin. I decided that I wasn't going to try and work it out. I was going to get out quickly. I returned to John, standing on the sand talking to some women who had been watching several dolphins swimming close to shore that morning!

John is not a swimmer but is always happy to sit and watch even when it is very hot. As I mostly swim alone, this is a good thing.

A recent memory alone in water at a local beach - I was floating and playing, when I had three wildlife experiences. When I popped my head under I saw a school of tiny fish. They

stayed with me for ages. Every time I put my feet on the sand I felt them gently tickling my toes. Whenever I stepped backwards, they followed me. Next I witnessed a small flock of cormorants fly low above me.

Finally a large Pacific gull was floating just metres away. I felt he was floating with me, keeping me company. It was awesome.

I give thanks for the ocean. Our oceans with their plants and creatures which we enjoy visually and experientially are lungs of the earth and we must protect them so that they continue to play their part in the ecological balance of the amazing creation.



## Friendship Group

Arlene Lomman

At our September meeting the group heard Robert Davies, a speaker from the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Robert gave us information about the service from its beginning up to now. We heard

how he and his wife became volunteers after their son had been air-lifted to hospital after a serious motor cycle accident.

Vast areas of Australia are covered when the Flying Doctor brings help and health assistance to outback towns and

stations. It is comforting to know that travelers sometimes need the services too.

When I returned home that afternoon Robert had left a message thanking us for our generous donations made after his talk. He was excited to tell us that a total of almost \$400 had been donated by our group, and he sent his thanks.

**We will meet again on 16 October** at Clayton Wesley UC, for a tour of this historic church with Dr Geoffrey Bishop, eminent historian, to learn the history of this beautiful church and get a view of the church graveyard. This will be followed with a light lunch in the café, and afterwards a chance to buy a bargain of pre-loved clothes, books etc at Goodies Op Shop.



## Royal Flying Doctor Service

**John Flynn OBE - founder of the RFDS**

John Flynn OBE (1880 - 1951) was an Australian Presbyterian minister who founded the Australian Inland Mission (AIM), which later separated into Frontier Services and the Presbyterian Inland Mission. Later he also founded the Royal Flying Doctor Service, the world's first air ambulance.

Always thinking of the needs of those in isolated communities, he published "The Bushman's Companion" (1910) which was distributed free throughout inland Australia. He was ordained in Adelaide in 1911 for his work around Beltana, a tiny settlement 500 kilometers north of Adelaide. After visiting

local station properties, and writing a report for his church superiors on the difficulties of ministering to such a widely scattered population, he was made the first Superintendent of the AIM, which later became Frontier Services.

Flynn's vision was to establish a "Mantle of Safety" for the people of Outback Australia.

By 1917, Flynn was already considering the possibility of new technology such as radio and aircraft and was assisted by WWI pilot, Clifford Peel, who outlined the capabilities and costs of available planes. Flynn turned to fund raising to establish a flying medical service. The first flight was in 1928, from Cloncurry, Queensland, where a museum commemorating the founding of the RFDS is located.

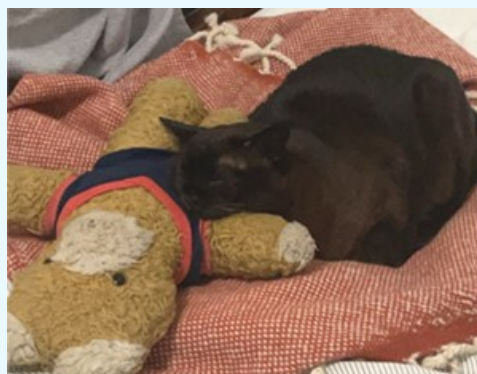
Flynn was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire in 1933.

## A Saturday hello

From Cynthia Story

It is the weekend again, a fact I have never been really happy with. Nothing planned, no arrangements made for anyone interesting to come. I had magnificent privacy, or was it solitude on a scale that I did not want and could not deal with.

The cat comes up on my desk to smooch, and I gently push her away, murmuring - I am busy. Perhaps she felt lonely where she was, in the other room? Or did she sense my loneliness and climb up here to give me comfort?



She didn't go far away. Curled up by my feet, she is ready to unwind and follow, the instant I move. This cat can read my mind?

'Charlie'

## Margaret Boundy 1931 - 2025

Margaret was the beloved wife of Mervyn for 67 years, mother to Karryn, Christopher and Paul, and grandmother to Samuel.

She was born in Crystal Brook on New Year's Eve in 1931, which ensured that there was always a party on her birthday. She was the fourth child of six born to Lawrence and Florence Edison.



An outbreak of gastroenteritis in Crystal Brook, and the death of Margaret's brother, caused the family to move to Adelaide, taking up residence in Henley Beach, then Salisbury – with no running water, gas or electricity. Later Lawrence and Florence were able to buy a home in Payneham with electric light and running water, and there they joined the Payneham Methodist Church.

Margaret attended primary school in Salisbury, then the Wellington Road School (now Trinity Gardens Primary) and Norwood Technical Girls College. She taught at Sunday school and sang in the choir from the age of 10. Her social life was based around church activities and she made many lifelong friends. After completing the Intermediate Certificate, Margaret went to business college, where she met other lifelong friends.

Margaret older sister Paula could both sing and had lessons from Theo Mitchell, the choirmaster of Payneham Methodist Church. Margaret's soprano voice led her to be recommended for training at the Elder Conservatorium, where she went part-time for five years while working full-time. During that time she learnt Italian and German to sing opera.

She continued to play netball and tennis at the church and competed in the Adelaide Eisteddfod and the Royal South Street Society Ballarat Eisteddfod, in which she was runner-up. Margaret also had an audition with Edith Lipski, which she found truly terrifying!

Margaret was adventurous and liked to embrace modern ideas – she was the first member of the family to fly on a plane. She loved travelling on trains and boats and enjoyed cruises. Margaret also enjoyed beach holidays and the family enjoyed driving holidays in both Australia and New Zealand.

Margaret met Mervyn at dances at the town hall and he would drive her home in his car. He later proposed to her over a cup of coffee at Mount Lofty Café. They married six months later in 1958.

Karen was born in late 1960, Chris 1962, Paula 1965 and grandson Sam in 1996. The family remember a wonderful childhood on a large block with a vegetable garden, chickens, and lots of trips to the beach. They felt well supported through their childhood and Margaret had a close association with her cousins and extended family, who still meet every Boxing Day.

Margaret was always interested in the evolving arts and music world in Adelaide in the late 1960s – 1970s, attending the Festival Theatre, opera, plays, Writers Week and the Festival of Arts. She also took part in Gilbert and Sullivan shows. Margaret enjoyed singing and was a member of the church choir for many years. She also sang in the 'Bel Canto Singers' – entertaining mainly nursing homes all over Adelaide.

She always dressed well and liked to keep up-to-date with the fashions – although not necessarily wearing them herself.

Margaret and Merv started travelling overseas in the mid to late 1970s. Their first trip was to Asia (where there were many hilarious stories about buying underwear when their luggage was lost in Thailand) and then to Europe on a package tour. Margaret also visited India with a church group that had raised money for Velo hospital, and visited China alone after having had a long obsession for the books of Pearl Buck. After Merv retired they also travelled around Japan by train.

Margaret's contribution to Magill/Morialta UC was significant over many years and for her the association was full of joy. Two of her great contributions came through the choir and the Women's Fellowship. Also, as a soprano, she was heavily involved in fundraising musical productions in the hall.

Margaret was a member of the "Saturday Cross Quiz Circle" and enjoyed sharing answers after church over coffee. She also loved doing jigsaws and enjoyed a good novel.

Margaret will be remembered fondly by family and friends and as a valued member of our community.

## Adelaide Male Voice Choir concert

The concert by the AMVC on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September was a really enjoyable afternoon of music and fellowship and proved very successful. The total raised for the concert was \$2010 of which MUC received \$1010. Another \$267 was raised from the raffles and the "pop-up" trading table.

Our sincere thanks to all those who invited friends and purchased tickets, and made the afternoon a success. Special thanks to the volunteers who made and served afternoon tea, moved furniture in the church, set up and packed up the hall, and provided audio and technical support for the choir. Without you we could not hold revenue-raising concerts.

We also received the following note from Peter Schulz Treasurer and past President of AMVC.

*"Hello Colin*

*Very much appreciated the efforts from the folk of Magill-Morialta. Your members do an amazing job and our chaps very much enjoy the fellowship with the members of your church.*

*Looking forward to future concerts with you.*

*Blessings, Peter Schulze"*



## News from the Church Council meeting

The full agenda of the September meeting is in the Church Council folder in the library, and the minutes will also be there once they are confirmed. In the meantime, here are some highlights! We agreed to invite congregation members warmly to join a group of us attending the Synod's upcoming RENEW Event, 17 and 18 October at Yarthu-Apinthi/Uniting College for Leadership & Theology, West Beach, and that Margaret would include the invitation verbally in the service notices on 28 September and make bookings.

- We endorsed a recommendation of the Resource Reallocation Task Group (RRTG) to introduce an extended use of volunteers to be an extra welcoming presence on site during office hours. See below for details!

- We confirmed dates and times for our 2025 Christmas services:

### Blue Christmas

**Monday 15 December, 7:00 pm (not streamed)**

### Christmas Eve

**December 24, 7:00 pm (not streamed),  
with fruitcake and fruit punch outside afterwards**

### Christmas Day

**December 25, 10:00 am, streamed (no morning tea)**

As always, if you have any questions, please talk to one of the members of Church Council.

*Margaret Cargill, Deputy Council Chairperson*

## Volunteers as 'weekday presence' at Morialta – can you help?

Imagine if the church could be open for meditation and prayer during weekday mornings, with a sign out the front and the door unlocked!

Imagine if our wonderful Office Coordinator/Receptionist (OCR), Nicole, could have more time to see to her regular duties, and even expand them!

Council wants these things to happen and we're going to begin now! We want to enable our people to volunteer, to help make Morialta more welcoming during the week.

We're going to start with Tuesday mornings and see how we go. We're seeking volunteers who can be a rostered welcoming presence at Morialta, alongside the OCR, from 10:00am to 1:00pm, one Tuesday a month.

Volunteers can be an individual, or a pair or more. You will be able to make yourself/selves a cup of tea or coffee, and there will be space at the foyer table to do craft, or knit, or read, or work on your laptop, or chat with friends or visitors to our site. The OCR will be available to answer any questions.

We've already heard from a couple of people who'd like to give this a try and see how they go.



If you would like to join this experiment, or find out more information, please contact

Margaret Cargill (0439 954814)  
or Lesley Tideman (0438 224367)

*Image: Courtesy Rotary Club Maroondah*

## Volunteers complete the picture

*The Editor*

I regularly receive 'the weekly thought' from Rev David Fleming – a retired Anglican priest introduced to me by Marie Elson. His 'thought' always begins with a story – this one highlights why our contribution is important.

"Because it was a charity concert, the 'home' orchestra had invited a neighbouring orchestra to join them together with a number of local choirs, and then they invited a well-known conductor to oversee the performance. About halfway through the first rehearsal with the trumpets blaring, the drums beating, the violins soaring and the choir in full voice, the piccolo player muttered to himself, 'What good am I doing? I am the smallest instrument – I might as well not be

playing!' So, though he kept the instrument to his lips, he stopped playing and made no sound. Within moments, the conductor tapped his baton on his podium and shouted 'Stop! Where's the piccolo?' It was missed by the ear of the most important person at that gathering.

Sometimes we don't realise how important our tiny contribution is to all that is happening around us and we tend not to volunteer. But the truth is we are missed, especially by the community around us.

Your contribution is unique and invaluable. Doesn't matter what you think. You are the missing piece from the jigsaw that makes the whole picture perfect and complete!"



## Vulnerable

This is a word I know so well  
hits me at a time I am low  
sad, unthinking and sinking in a fog.

There comes a time for me to look intently  
at something a little way off  
closing my day-time eyes, let them blur

then become sharp again ....

I see something different – not a new Jerusalem!  
but still glowing in my heart – there will be time  
Time for a healing light – already here  
ready to merge into my being Body Soul and Spirit!!  
And with a new task, a focus to wipe away sadness.

*With love  
Cynthia (Story)*



## Pam Johnson

A smiling Pam Johnson after receiving her beautiful quilt signed by members of MUC.



"Thanks for all the music Pam!"

## Happy 80th birthdays!

Margaret and Joan are the latest to join the OBEs...



## Royal Adelaide Show



Congratulations to Bev, who was awarded first, second and third prizes for her decorated eggs at the Royal Adelaide Show!

(Photos Anne Ind)

## Morialta Uniting Netball Club report

An edited version of the 2025 report by Club Secretary Sandy Barker

In the Summer Competition Morialta nominated 28 junior teams comprising 4 under 17 (2 in Div 1), 8 under 15 (2 in Div 1), 7 under 13, 6 under 11, 1 under 9 and 2 under 8.

Fourteen teams made the finals with 6 teams making the grand-final and one team (under 11D) being victorious.

The Club also had 6 teams in the Open Competition with the A, B, C and E teams making the semi-finals. Three moved on to the grand-final with both C and E teams bringing home the premiership and the B team just missing out

The winter 2025 season again saw 28 teams being nominated to compete and represent Morialta. Five teams played in the Open Competition A1, A4, B1, B2 and C3, of which 2 made it through to the finals, with the A4s losing the grand-final.

Morialta fielded 5 teams in under 17s with 2 teams winning the grand-final and the U17 1 team being runner-up. There were 7 teams in the under 15s, with 4 making the finals; 6 teams in the under 13s with 4 making the finals, 3 teams in the under 11s, with one 1 team making the finals and one team in each of the under 9s and 8s.

All teams, coaches, managers, and umpires are to be congratulated on another great season for the club.

**The Mother's Day stall** was again held to raise funds for the Morialta Uniting Church Mission with an incredible array of baked items, jars and bottles of jam being donated. Funds raised were again excellent. It is fantastic to see the enthusiasm for our mission work with the church and thanks to Lee for her work in driving this initiative.



## Dawoodi Bohras of Australia supporting OzHarvest in nationwide food drive

Between August 30 and September 6, the Dawoodi Bohra community across Australia once again teamed up with OzHarvest, the country's leading food rescue organisation, to deliver a nationwide food drive aimed at tackling hunger and food waste.

Coinciding with National Food Bank Day and commemorating the birth of Prophet Mohammed (PBUH), the initiative mobilised community members and the wider public to donate non-perishable food, household goods, and hygiene items. Collection kiosks were set up at Dawoodi Bohra centres in Sydney, Melbourne, Canberra, Perth, Brisbane, and Adelaide. In Adelaide, the Morialta Uniting Church in Magill also joined the effort, adding further strength and solidarity to the campaign.

"This drive was a meaningful way to honour the Prophet's legacy of compassion by supporting Australians doing it tough. Our faith teaches us that true knowledge lies in serving humanity. Partnering with OzHarvest allowed us to live these values in action."

The Dawoodi Bohra community has been a consistent supporter of OzHarvest's mission to rescue food and feed people in need. Their values of avoiding waste and sharing meals fit perfectly with OzHarvest's vision, making this partnership deeply impactful.

The generosity of the Dawoodi Bohras and their supporters resulted in more than 1.6 tonnes of food contributed by a community, at a time when things are tougher than ever. OzHarvest supports 1,550 charities across Australia with vital food relief which is often a lifeline for many people. Demand is at an all-time high, with charities seeing new people every day, many seeking help for the first time in their lives."

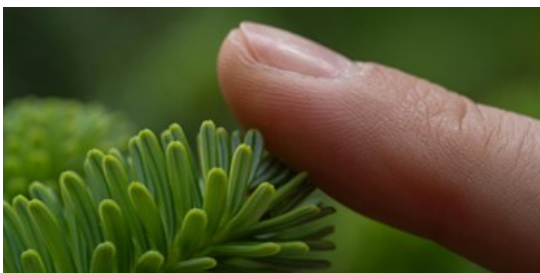
The food drive was part of the Dawoodi Bohras' global philanthropic initiative **Project Rise**, inspired by their leader **His Holiness Syedna Mufaddal Saifuddin**. The success of the initiative underscored how grassroots action and collaboration can address urgent social challenges while strengthening the social fabric of the nation.



## Seeing nature differently

*Adapted from an article by Brian McLaren, Center for Action and Contemplation*

We see the natural world from different vantage points. For example, a real estate developer might look at a beautiful landscape and think, "Wow we could create an incredible housing development with a lake. It would be worth a fortune." A paper manufacturer sees a forested mountainside and thinks about how much lumber and paper he could make from those trees. Meanwhile, an angler would see a trout stream coming down the mountainside that he'd like to protect. An ecologist might see an endangered species of fish that needs to be preserved. A theologian, depending on his or her background, might see theological justifications for selling that land to the real estate developer or manufacturer, or for preserving it with the angler and ecologist.



Every tree, every meadow, every stream, every wave rolling in on the beach ... each of us sees them with different vision. We bring our own different backgrounds, perspectives, needs, interests, desires, and problems to whatever we see.

Every night we have a little herd of iguanas on our roof, including a five-foot-long iguana that we call T-Rex – he's big, male, and a bright orange colour. We have a respectful relationship, similarly with a gopher tortoise that has dug its burrow outside my front sidewalk.

Respecting their space is a part of our relationship. We humans tend to have a narcissistic relationship with our fellow creatures, but there's an option for a generous relationship that creates a kind of reverence, respect, and enjoyment.

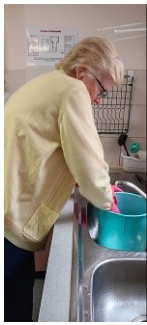
We're so used to being in control that when the natural world demands legitimate respect from us, we think it's being hostile. Part of our current life curriculum as human beings is to learn appropriate respect after centuries of domination. It's parallel to what people with privilege need to learn – whether it's white privilege, male privilege, or wealth privilege. Privileged people are so used to acting in domineering ways that when you ask them to show proper respect, they feel they're being deprived or persecuted. But this respect is something we need and it's a matter of survival right now for us to learn it.

## The insights of regular people like us!

*From "A People's History of Christianity: The Other Side of the Story" by Diana Butler Bass*

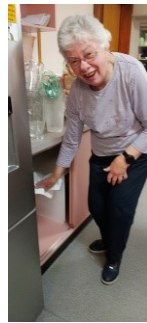
Roman Catholic theology has a name for the insights of regular people. It is called the '*sensus fidelium*'. It means that God's people, filled with the Holy Spirit, possess a natural wisdom regarding justice, truth, and goodness.





## Kitchen cleanup

Thank you to the big group who turned out to help clean up the kitchen recently. (Some of us who arrived a little later than 9.30 couldn't find room to get into the kitchen and help!) As you can see the kitchen received a thorough scrub from top to bottom!



## Daylight Saving

Contributed by Julie Lomman

Hey, Lord, I'm going to save some daylight!  
It's not that I'm dissatisfied  
with your arrangement of the sun and moon,  
or the spreading of the hours,  
but just that I'd like a little more time under your sun.  
To see a little longer,  
the world about me, the shimmering sea,  
(complete with oil slicks and sewer).  
The glorious countryside festooned with beer cans,  
and to escape the concrete jungle of the city  
if I can find my way through the smog.

So how, Lord, will I use that extra hour?  
Selfishly, away on my own?  
Sharing something extra with my family?  
Or sacrificially, doing for others, occasionally  
what they cannot do themselves?

Lord make us  
stewards of the hours,  
computers of moments,  
so that even our very leisure  
is spent recreating ourselves and others  
to be trustees of your world and your time.

Roger Bush of the Wayside Chapel 1973

The adult version of  
"Head, shoulders, knees and toes" is  
"Wallet, glasses, keys and phone"!

## Quirky, queer, and wonderful

Lyrics – Adam M. L. Tice 2015 © 2016 GIA Publications Inc

Quirky, queer, and wonderful, distinct, unique, and odd...  
all of our humanity reveals the face of God.  
No 'normal' can encompass or comprehend the range  
of all the kinds of people that God created strange!

From Jesus we learn riddles; He said the last are first,  
He tweaked received religion with roles that he reversed.  
To Peter God presented untouchable cuisine,  
And said do not call dirty what I have declared clean.

In Christ the false divisions of gender class and race,  
can never separate us from God's abundant grace.  
The many parts that form us each serve a different role.  
In Christ we are one body, made holy good and whole.

Quirky, queer, and wonderful, distinct, unique, and odd...  
all of our humanity God reveals the face of God.

(To the tune of All things bright and beautiful!)



## Keep the date ....

This year the Morialta mini market will be held on Saturday November 22nd from 9.00am to 12noon. It's not too early to start preparing items to sell, particularly plants and craft items.

To volunteer, please talk to Bruce or Helena, who will be happy to find you a place to help out on the day!