

ALL SERVICES AND MEETINGS IN OUR FACILITIES ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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VOLUNTEERS BOOK A Volunteers Book has been left in the church porch. It **must** be completed by **all** people undertaking volunteer work on our premises. Please remember to sign out as well as signing in. We have been remiss in not observing this requirement of the UCA. It is not necessary to sign for attendance at services or meetings. For more information see Daryl Back



Saturday 30 May 2020



Kiama Jamberoo Uniting Church

Sunday, 10 May 2020

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MESSAGE FROM REV KATH MERRIFIELD

As the pandemic continues, I am very aware that things are a little slower without our usual group gatherings, family gatherings and catch-ups with friends.

As we consider how we are as Church in this, I have been encouraged by the number of people engaging in the worship materials both online and in hardcopy. I have also been encouraged by the way people are keeping in touch with one another and making sure everyone is OK.

The Worship Committee has discussed worship during this time – what worked well, and what we could improve. We also looked at services for the next month or so.

Thank you to the people who have assisted in delivering hardcopy worship materials around Kiama and Jamberoo. And thanks also to people who have helped folk with their technology so they can participate.

I have also been trying to resource people to go a bit deeper in their reading and study of the Scriptures. This month, I have been preparing studies on 1 Peter – the lectionary readings from the New Testament for the season of Easter.

Climate Strike - 15 May 2020 - a national online event

Strike itself is being held via a national livestream broadcast from 4pm-8pm.

To register for the event, go

to: <https://www.schoolstrike4climate.com/may15>

There is a *multi-faith service* being "broadcast" at 10am.
You can either join in by Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/93368937522>
Or you can livestream from the ARRC facebook page or YouTube channel.
For more details and links go to: <https://www.rrcc.org.au/strike>
There will be an *ecumenical prayer service* organised by Common Grace at 3pm, with participation by Assembly President Dr Deidre Palmer, Uniting Earth Advocate Rev Dr Jason John and Uniting Church Minister Rev Alimoni Taumoepeau. For more information go to: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1507767699408392/>



While listening to the ABC during the week I heard the Chaplain from the Mission to Seamen at Port Kembla, telling how wonderful had been the support of people from the Illawarra for the crew of the Ruby Princess during the time they have been isolated. The Crew each evening would stand and clap in recognition of all that had been done to help them. Carnival Cruises who own the ship have donated \$150,000 to the Mission for Seafarers. One bright spot amidst the gloom.

For those of you interested, hopefully we at the **Women's Day Fellowship** will have David Bossanquet from Port Kembla Mission to Seamen speak to us about the work of the mission at our meeting on September, when we should be back to normal again, so come and join us.

Gail Pickles

SOCIAL DISTANCING ADVICE.

In this time of Social Distance,,
Take the line of least resistance
No need to jump straight out of bed,
Have another hour instead
Take the Doggie for a caper
Then into the shop to buy a paper
Read the headlines (Undesirous)
On the growth of " Coronavirus"

Home again - This is the Life
You cry, as you lovingly elbow your wife

Brunch on the deck, and I must say
It isn't too hard to fill your day!

Read a good book, it's food for the mind
Sharpens the brain- (or words of that kind)
Watch the television for a span
find something decent (if you can!)

That's the end of the day
And Boy and I GLAD!
Six months of this
And we'll ALL GO MAD!!!

Written by Lesley Southon

A Mother's Love

There are times when only a mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappoints
And calm all of our fears.
There are times when only a mother's love
Can share the joy we feel
When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.
There are times when only a mother's faith
Can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.
For a mother's heart and a mother's faith
And a mother's steadfast love
Were fashioned by the angels
And sent from God above.

- Author Unknown

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