



Warragul Uniting Church, Keeping in Touch 18, Written Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020

**DID YOU MAKE THE CALL?** On Sunday we were challenged to send someone an email or text a message to share the Peace of Christ...a message of hope, comfort, care...this is one way that we share each other's wisdom, comfort and inspiration. It's a way of loving.



**VEGIES...FLOWERS...**some of you are working in the church garden and enjoying the vegies and exercise...it's an enjoyable activity that you can do at any time. Have you shared some seedlings or seeds? *If you are lucky enough to have flowers, have you thought of putting some in a bucket at the front of where you live with a written invitation for people to take some flowers?* Share the joy, hope and beauty of spring. This gives you an activity to do and enjoyment in sharing.

**BUSY BUSY...** have you noticed how many acts of kindness are shown in the daily papers? People helping each other with shopping, cooking meals...sometimes hundreds of meals a day...parents assisting with home schooling, 'visiting', walking 'together', sharing a friendly smile...and so on. You might like to cut some of these out and spread them on a table.



It's good to see people helping each other, being messengers of hope, support and comfort. Although we are restricted, there is room to move within the restrictions and people are finding this room and celebrating what is possible. I guess that we are learning to value the freedoms that we have just taken for granted. It gives you a window into what normal life is like for those who are restricted in refugee camps...some for many years.

**SUPPORT, ENCOURAGEMENT AND CELEBRATION...**It has been good to celebrate the improvement in health of so many of our church members. And to stand with those who struggle with health issues. Sometimes it is a hard to find the most effective treatment and the journey seems to go on for so long. Keeping people in our thoughts and prayers is important.

**AGM2019**...this is something that never happened!!! The Covid19 virus meant that we were not able to meet as a congregation to discuss this report. However there are some decisions that need to be made such as the recommendation from the Church Council for the appointment of an Auditor and the reception of the Annual Report for 2019. This report was circulated to members of the congregation in January and February this year. The Church Council is planning to meet on the 22<sup>nd</sup> September and because a congregational meeting cannot be held, will act on these matters. If you have any questions about any part of the Annual Report for 2019 please contact Nick Peck by email or phone so that they can be included in the Church Council Agenda.

**WORSHIP SERVICE**... The Zoom service was attended by over 25 people with Jan MacLean, Nick Peck, Mary Rowleron, Glenys Derbyshire, Graham Henderson and Fritha Blackwood taking part. As usual, David Morrison was the person with the 'levers' . Thank you to all who 'attended'.

**SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> September WORSHIP**... you will be invited to a Zoom Service. In the service for this Sunday one of the questions in the reflection written by the Rev Ian Turnnidge is: *'What are our hopes for a post-pandemic world: so that everyone can enjoy the fullness of life once again?'* Something to think and pray about.



On behalf of the Extended Executive of the Church Council:

Peace and blessing,

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