



UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA
Rockingham Congregation
4 Erindoon Way, Waikiki 6169

UPDATE

SUNDAY 30th June 2019 at 9:30am

Today's Service conducted by
Rev Toby Keva

Please join us for morning tea following worship

Welcome to Rockingham Uniting Church

Our hope is that all who come through our doors find Spiritual rest and nourishment, and that you will experience the presence of the living God in our midst.

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Read: John 6:1-15

Poverty is a big and complex issue. Facing such a daunting problem, we may feel discouraged. We may feel that there are not enough resources to solve the problem. We may feel that we are not wise enough to deal with it. We may feel like the disciples when they were faced with the challenge of feeding 5000 people on a mountain. We may want to say, "No amount of money in the world will ever be enough to solve the problem!"

But, Jesus does not ask for all the world's money. He asks for whatever we have. Like the boy who gave the bread and fish, we are to offer what we have to God and let God do the rest.

Most of you would know Mother Theresa. She worked tirelessly to care for the poorest of the poor in India. But, there were too many poor people in India and Mother Theresa would not be able to serve all. If you met her, however, you wouldn't have the impression that she tried to save all people. She once said,

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."

At another time, she said,

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

Indeed, a wise person says that our charity can feel like planting a tree in a desert. Alone, the work is futile. But, if we can inspire more and more people to follow our example, perhaps, one day, the desert will turn into a forest.

Friends, our act of charity may feel like a drop in the ocean. But, this drop can turn into rain if we all join hands to do the best that we can. Mother Theresa once said,

"We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean ...
But, the ocean would be less because of that missing drop ..."

Jesus could use the five loaves of bread and two fish to feed 5000 people. Why do we think that he cannot do the same thing with our gifts today? Amen.

Bible Readings 7th July 2019:

2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Galatians 6:(1-6),7-16; Luke 10:1-11,16-20

WEEK'S EVENTS FROM 30TH JUNE – 6TH JULY 2019

Today 9:30am	<u>Morning Worship</u> led by Rev Toby Keva
Thursday 10:00am	<u>Men's Group</u> Topic: The Abuse of Power – Church, State & Personal. Romans 13:1-14
Thursday 7:30pm	<u>Elders Meeting</u>
Friday 10:00am	<u>Prayer Time</u> Come for a quiet time of prayer and reflection. The Minister will be available during the time for pastoral prayer or counselling.
Saturday 9:00am	<u>Music Band Practice</u>

Coming Events

Sunday 7th July: Worship Service at 9:30am – conducted by Rev Toby Keva with Holy Communion

Op shop meeting will be held on 8th July at 3:45pm.

Notices

Prayer: Remember the people of Sudan, South Sudan, and Uganda.

Another box of no-longer-needed **spectacles** (24 pairs) was posted to CBM in Victoria last week. They will be used potentially world-wide for needy folk. The next box is already over half full. Please put your obsolete specs in the box in the atrium or take to the Op Shop. Any questions to Peter Ogden.

ROCKINGHAM CONGREGATION

Weekly Worship with Children's Activities each Sunday 9.30am (with Communion on First Sunday of each month).

We aim to be a fellowship of Christians making the crucified, risen and exalted Lord Jesus Christ to be known, loved, worshipped and obediently followed. We aim to be always open to newcomers and to serve the community and the world, doing all this by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We aim to achieve this by committing ourselves to God in spiritual growth through prayer, bible study, and stewardship of time, talents and resources

Sunday Rosters – 7th July 2019	
Announcements	Nell Morgan
Bus Driver	Kelly Crothers 0431 673 233
Reader	Peter Ogden
Elder	Neil Miller
Stewards	Brian Williams & Nell Morgan
Communion Stewards	Norma Svendsen & Kerry Dunn
Morning Tea	Mary Paton & Ann Toerien
Accompanist	Ken Paton
AV System	Nell Morgan & Dean Lockwood
KUCA	Pam Harris

Four week averages: Attendance: 86 Adults, 8 Children