

## FIVE LITTLE WORDS

Sometimes we are lonely. In spite of family, friends, our pets and our Church, we are lonely.

Cold winter days and nights seem to make it worse. If we are overseas for our work, we miss the greeting from someone we know. We long to turn around for home. The other morning I woke with the feeling of loneliness. In a warm home, family close, not wanting to disturb them. How blessed I am.

I walked down the hall to my study and saw on the wall old photos of grandparents, mum and dad, brothers and a sister, no longer here.

And yet they were present. Memories so wonderful of family life flooded in, and I felt a little touch of heaven. Even in my very human loneliness, I was surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses as the Letter to the Hebrews reminds the faithful every day and generation.

What a difference that made to me. Not only the saints of the past, holy men and women in the Gospel stories, but also loved ones, so close. John Henry Newman puts it thus, "and with the morn those angel faces smile, which I have loved, long since, and lost awhile."

*Reflection: In long hand, write out carefully and prayerfully the words of the Risen Lord: I am with you always.*

Bill Pugh

Anyone wishing to go onto the prayer chain, please let Betty Pope know.

### Church Council Meetings

Tue. 7.30pm 21<sup>st</sup> November

**Everything comes to him  
Who hustles while he waits.**

*Thomas Edison*



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### Today's Service & Events — Sunday 8 October. 2017

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| <b>Sunday 8 October</b><br><br><i>Pentecost 18</i> | 9.30 am. <b>Beechworth</b> Talk by Chris Barnett   |
|  | 9.30 am. <b>Stanley</b> TBA  |
|  | 11.15 am. <b>Yackandandah</b> Worship Group  |
|  | <b>Exodus 20</b> : 1-4, 7-9, 12-20. <b>Psalm 19:</b><br><b>Philippians 3:</b> 4b—14. <b>Matthew 21:</b> 33—46. |

### Coming Events

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| <b>Holy Communion</b><br><b>Sunday 15 October</b><br><i>Pentecost 19</i> | <b>9.30 am. Combined Service at Beechworth</b><br>Rev. W. Flentji   |
|  | <b>Exodus 32:</b> 1—14. <b>Psalm 106:</b> 1—6, 19—23.<br><b>Philippians 4:</b> 1—9. <b>Matthew 22:</b> 1—14 |

### For Your Diary

#### October

**Wed. 11.** 9.30am. Day for Girls working bee.

**Fri. 13.** 10.30am. Hospital service, Beechworth

**Fri. 20.** 12.00 Book Club, Beechworth

**Fri. 27.** **Set-up for Fair.**

**Sat. 28** .....>>>>>>>>.Rainbow Fair <<<<<<<<

#### November

**Fri. 3.** 9.30am. Meeting, Pastoral Care & Worship C'tee, Beechworth

**Fri. 3.** 6.00 pm. Fellowship meal

**Shoe Boxes** are ready to be picked up now.

Could you please have them ready for Betty by Friday 20th October

This week we pray for the congregation of *Broadford*

If you are rostered to do the readings, and change with another person, PLEASE inform Margaret Phillips in person, telephone, or email. Thank you.



Non perishable goods will be collected for CSU students on **Second (Communion) Sunday of the month** Thank you!  
*Suggestions: Soups, Pasta, Noodles, Fish, Cereals & Toiletries - Soap, Toothpaste, etc.*  
Please place items in the black container, marked for the students

## Greetings NEV Presbytery contacts,

We are very excited to be able to host in four locations in October a CTM Event. This event is called.

RE:GENERATIONS 2017  
Exploring intergenerational ministry and mission

It is an opportunity to look at an intergenerational approach to effective ministry and how it looks in practice.

How can this be implemented in congregations?

What can stay the same and what needs to be changed?

A unique opportunity to engage with Chris Barnett from the Centre for Theology and Ministry with three engaging, participatory and practical core sessions.

These Events will take place in 4 locations across our Presbytery to give you every opportunity to be able to attend them. The locations are:

**Euroa Friday 6 October**

**Myrtleford Saturday 7 October**

**Wangaratta Friday 20 October**

**Echuca Saturday 21 October**

Please find attached a more detailed flyer to put up on your noticeboard and pass onto others in your congregations.

To RSVP to this event, please either reply to me, Tanya Walker at this email or on 0429394045.

Or RSVP to the registration details on the flyer.

We encourage you to organise a group from your congregation to attend this event together to get the most out of the event. Please contact me if you are going to do this and we can work out payment arrangements.

Any further question, please contact me.  
Thanks

Tanya Walker  
**NEV Presbytery Secretary**