

**NEXT SUNDAY – 22 October 2017** Pent 20

10am Pakenham **Rev Ann Simons**

**Lectionary Readings** Ex 33: 12-23 Ps 99 1 Thes 1:1-10 Mt 22: 15-22

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**OFFICER PAKENHAM MISSION AREA**

Tivendale Road, Officer and  
47 James Street, Pakenham

**COME AND WORSHIP WITH US ON SUNDAY MORNINGS**

**OFFICER** – 8.45 am on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month

**PAKENHAM** – 10 am each Sunday morning

**A vibrant heart in the community**

**OPMA Vision** : “Experiencing the love and life of Christ through  
vibrant and life changing communities and creative partnerships”

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**15 October 2017**

Welcome to all visitors and friends worshipping with us today.

You are invited to a time of fellowship morning tea following the service.



Praise the LORD.  
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
his love endures forever  
(Psalm 106: 1)



We acknowledge the Boonwurrung and Wurundjeri people, the First Peoples of this Country, part of God's creation. We honour them for their custodianship of the land on which we gather today.

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#### TODAY'S SERVICE:

Pent 19 **WELCOME SERVICE**

8.45am Officer

**Rev Ann Simons**

10am Pakenham

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#### Scripture Readings:

Ex 32: 1-14 Ps 106: 1-6, 19-23 Phil 4: 1-9 Mt 22: 1-14

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#### PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	Elaine Purdar	Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Don Rewell
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Reader	Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	Wendy Rouse
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	Les Reader	Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Frank Rouse
Thu 19 <sup>th</sup>	Sue Rewell		

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#### DISCIPLESHIP THOUGHT

Throughout the Psalms we're called to give verbal expressions of praise. However, in Psalm 106 verses 1-3, the Psalmist connects lips with life. He opens with a call to praise, "Hallelujah! Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His faithful love endures forever." This is a call to praise with our lips. And it's a call to praise God in particular for His faithful love. God's faithfulness, grace, and mercy flies like a banner over this Psalm. The Psalmist will talk much about sin, but the great hope of the Psalm is found in the goodness, grace, faithfulness, and love of God. We should never cease giving God verbal praise for these attributes. In a progressively instant society, it can be hard to wait for and trust in God's steadfastness, while so many other things fight for our time, promising instant satisfaction. Building a strong relationship takes time, trust, and perhaps a little heartache. How is your relationship with God? What is competing for your time in worship and prayer?

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Today's International Lunch is in lieu of next Sunday's 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday lunch.

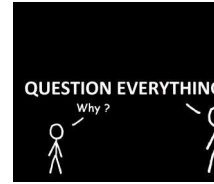
Donations at the door towards operational costs of our Church.

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Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who assisted with the two funeral services held at PUC this past week. From furniture movers to slice makers to hostesses to the guys and gals in the kitchen, your help was really appreciated.

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**Philosophy - Week 7**

**Wed-18-Oct at 7pm** at the Church

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Thank you to everyone involved in gifting a assembling the hundreds of items for the **20 backpack** which are now on their way to the Pacific Islands the next school year.

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#### FRONTIER SERVICES CELEBRATION – 29<sup>th</sup> October

This celebration will give us all a great opportunity meet Jannine Jackson. Who is she?, you may well a When Rosemary Young retired as National Director Frontier Services, Grahame Ryan became act director. Earlier this year, Jannine was appoint National Director. You may remember reading abt her in the May issue of Frontier News.

Jannine will be our guest speaker as part of our service and will stay for lur afterwards.

So do take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about this great w of ours. Please bring a plate of FINGER FOOD to share.

Margaret Mcl

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**Wed-18-Oct - MILLHAVEN - 1.30pm**

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#### VCE Visual Arts and Technology Exhibition 20:

OPENING – Wed-18-Oct, 6-8.30pm, where the OPMA Co Chair, Marie Harding, will present a winner's award from Pakenham Uniting Church. The exhibition is also oper viewing on Thu-19-Oct, 9am-5pm and Fri-20-Oct, 9am-12n

Enter Gate E – Pakenham-Gembrook Road. Opening in the VCE Lecture The Exhibition in the Visual Arts and the Global Beacons Centres.