

**Next Sunday
June 26th – Pentecost 6**

9.30am	Port Melbourne	Rev Hoon You
10.00am	Paul the Apostle South Melbourne	Rev Ross Carter

Lectionary	Intercession - Bible Reading
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2 Kings	2: 1-2, 6-14	Port Melb:	Graeme Mulvey	Pat Ness
Psalms	77: 1-2, 11-20			
Galatians	5:1, 13-25	South Melb:	Steve Pilcher	Steve Pilcher
Luke	9: 51-62			

Parish Contacts

South Port Uniting Church Parish Mission has two congregations: Paul the Apostle, South Melbourne, and Port Melbourne. In addition to individual and joint congregational programs and activities, we provide a range of community outreach programs through South Port UnitingCare.

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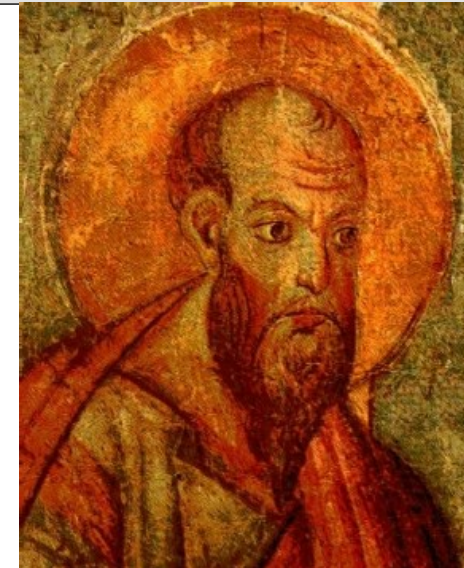
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The Uniting Church in Australia
 South Port Uniting Church
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**Paul the Apostle South Melbourne
Port Melbourne**

**Pentecost 5
Sunday 19th June 2016**



Icon of St Paul

Diary for the coming Week

Monday 20th June

7.30 pm **South Port Singers**, Paul the Apostle Church

Thursday 23rd June

11.00 am **Friendship Club** - Parish Mission Centre, South Melb

A warm welcome to all and particularly those who are visitors.
 Please join us for morning tea after the service.

NEWS NOTES

Coming Events & Items of Interest

Worship Theme at Paul the Apostle:

Every Christian in the Protestant tradition knows that people are 'justified by faith'. (Roman Catholics and Orthodox Christians know it as well) The phrase has come down to us from St Paul, and particularly from what he had to say in his letter to the Galatian congregations. At worship on Sunday the Congregation of Paul the Apostle at South Melbourne will reflect on what being 'justified by faith' means. Specifically we will be addressing two questions that are crucial to a right understanding of Christianity. The first is this: *whose* faith does Paul speak about? The second is: how is *being justified* cashed out in peoples' lives? We will see how the answers that are given to these questions concretely affect social and individual life towards freedom or something more oppressive.

Uniting Church in Australia Anniversary

Happy birthday to us! The UCA turns 39 this Wednesday, 22nd June.



Playgroup volunteers

Last Friday there were 21 children at the playgroup and as the number of children increase we are looking for 1-2 more volunteers with working with children card. Please contact Hoon or Hannah if you are willing to help us.

Today's Lectionary

1 Kings	19: 1-4, (5-7) 8-15a	Galatians	3: 23 - 29
Psalms	42 and 43	Luke	8: 26 - 39

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Worship Theme at Port Melbourne Congregation

Today's Gospel reading tells us a healing story of Jesus at the country of the Gerasenes. The demons were driven out and the man entrapped by evil spirits has been freed. Business as usual for Jesus and happy ending to all? No, it wasn't. Surprisingly the people of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them for they were seized with great fear, and the healed man's wish to follow Jesus was also not granted, instead Jesus said to him, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you."

We will explore the people of the Gerasenes and ask questions like "Why did they want Jesus to leave? What fears did they have?" and "What are the things or demons entrapping us today much like the people of the Gerasenes?" Jesus asked the demon possessed man, "What is your name?" How can we name the 'demons' of our time?

Faith Conversation at Port Melbourne

Our conversation continues after the morning tea around 11:30am followed by a brief lunch. Feel free to join and bring your questions and listening ears.

Simply Living Community Garden

Community Garden working bee, Saturday 18th June and 16th July, 10-11 am. Tools, gloves and refreshments provided. All welcome.

Grow and Eat, social cooking, Wednesday 6th July, 1.30 – 3.00 pm, cost \$2. Please let Hannah Kook know if you will be attending.

Reminder: Deadline for News and Notes articles is 9am Thursday.