



# Toorak Uniting Church

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### *Still Thinking: Our Affirmations and Attitudes—Christopher Page*

*This article was used in Update a few weeks ago. I have put it in again as it will be the basis of our after church discussion this morning.*

- With the Bible as our guide and inspiration, we recognize a range of personal experiences of Christian faith, the wisdom of other ancient and contemporary texts and affirm that we are open in our teaching, preaching, pastoral care and outreach.
- We affirm our commitment to being a multi-cultural congregation. We accept differing racial, cultural and ethnic backgrounds as well as sexual orientations as vital to a full and healthy ministry.
- We celebrate freedom of thought, courage of opinion and diversity of belief as a sign of God's spirit among us.
- We are outward looking showing compassion in tangible ways to our local community and the world, and commit ourselves to grow as a centre of Christian faith, life-affirming spirituality, pastoral care and creative outreach.
- As an open congregation we commit ourselves to listen to the views of our members. Our regular congregational meetings and Church Councils are the place for information-sharing and communal decision-making.
- While the day to day running of the Church is handled by the Minister and the Management Team, important decisions are debated and decided by our church community
- Each member of the congregation is encouraged to be actively involved in some part of the Church's ministry through support and participation.
- Where there is disagreement or dissatisfaction, members agree to be open and honest about the issues and to seek constructive solutions.
- We commit ourselves to care for each other, to honour our diversity and to work together to become a stronger community of faith.



## CONGREGATIONAL UPDATE – ELECTION DAY FAIR 2 JULY 2016

Michael Kenihan and Jon Sennitt have preparations underway to ensure that once again our Fair is a great success both in terms of an opportunity to welcome thousands of people to TUC and to raise funds.

### Stalls and Stall Co-ordinators

<b>BRIC A BRAC</b>	<b>Lenore Newnham</b>	9509 0496 newnham.brian@gmail.com
<b>CRAFT &amp; SEWING</b>	<b>Nina Mumford</b>	0422 228 416 nina.mumford@optusnet.com.au
<b>CAKES &amp; PRE-SERVES</b>	<b>Lyn McAllister</b>	9822 2832
<b>2<sup>ND</sup> HAND BOOKS, CD'S, DVD'S, COMPUTER GAMES</b>	<b>Stan Laughter</b>	0427 401 299 slaughter@tpg.com.au
<b>SAUSAGE SIZZLE</b>	<b>Jon Sennitt Michael Kenihan</b>	0478 809 678 jon.sennitt@gmail.com  0412 885 896 michael.kenihan@lifecare.com.au
<b>MANSE GALLERY CAFE</b>	<b>Raz Psonis</b>	9829 0341 meetatmanse@gmail.com

### Donations

<b>BRIC A BRAC</b>	Please deliver to the office during office hours prior to 2 July or contact Lenore to make alternate arrangements.
<b>CRAFT &amp; SEWING</b>	Please deliver to the office during office hours prior to 2 July or contact Nina to make alternate arrangements.
<b>CAKES &amp; PRESERVES</b>	Please deliver to the stall on the morning of 2 July or contact Lyn to make alternate arrangements. Please ensure all donations are labelled with ingredients.
<b>2<sup>ND</sup> HAND BOOKS, CD'S, DVD'S, COMPUTER GAMES</b>	Please deliver to the office during office hours prior to 2 July or contact Stan to make alternate arrangements.

Donations outside of office hours can be placed in the kitchenette next to the Wettenhall Room.

### Help Needed

We are looking for helpers to assist on the Bric a Brac and Sewing Stalls. Please contact Lenore and Nina if you can assist on 2 July.

We are looking to borrow large umbrellas to shield the stalls and out-door furniture and umbrellas as weather permitting, we will set up tables and chairs on the lawn. Please contact Michael or Jon as soon as possible if you can assist.

We are looking for helpers to assist in packing away the cakes, bric a brac, craft and 2nd hand stalls from 3pm – 5 pm on 2 July. Please contact Michael or Jon as soon as possible if you can assist.



**After Church Discussion**  
TODAY @ 11.45am  
Our Affirmations and Attributes



**Time for Fellowship** Morning Coffee, TOMORROW, May 30, at 11:00 am.  
Topic: "A good book I've read recently". All welcome. Details: Lenore N. / Jean A.

## *Melbourne Dickens Fellowship*

*Inc No A0028719W*

3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of the month, Mar-Nov

2<sup>nd</sup> Wed in Dec 7.45pm



CHARLES DICKENS AGE 41

The Faichney Room  
Toorak Uniting Church  
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[www.dickens.asn.au](http://www.dickens.asn.au)

## Diary Dates

TODAY	11.45am	Post- Church Discussion	Faichney Room
Mon 30 May	11.00am	Fellowship Morning Coffee	Faichney Room
Wed 1 Jun	6.30/7.45	Hand Bell rehearsal	Wettenhall Room
Wed 8 Jun	6.30/7.45	Hand Bell rehearsal	Wettenhall Room
Thu 9 Jun	7.45pm	Toorak Ecumenical Council	St John's
Mon 13 Jun	10.30am	Drop in card day	Faichney Room
Tues 14 Jun	4.30pm	Management Team	Wettenhall Room
Wed 15 Jun	6.30/7.45	Hand Bell rehearsal	Wettenhall Room
Thu 16 Jun	10.00am	Morning Group	Faichney Room
Tue 21 June	7.30pm	Finance Committee	Wettenhall Room
Wed 22 Jun	6.30/7.45	Hand Bell rehearsal	Wettenhall Room



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**Retreat** *Attention to the Heart and Soul.* June 4th & 5th.

Contemplation, Meditation, Centering Prayer.

At the Centre for Ecology and Spirituality, Glenburn.

Brochure in the foyer, please see Chris Page for more information.



## Welcome to Toorak Uniting Church

We welcome all people irrespective of race, religion, political views, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or age. Wherever you are on your faith journey, wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to; whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, you are welcome here at Toorak Uniting Church.

Please come and join us after the service for fellowship and a cup of tea or coffee.