

Toorak Uniting Church Newsletter Update 10 June 2022

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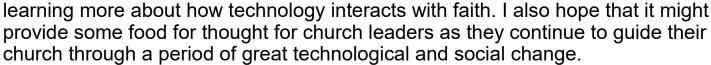
Monash University research inquiry: Virtual Church

Hello to the Uniting Toorak Community,

My name's Stephen, I'm a student at Monash University studying fourth year Psychology. I'm writing to you today because I'm undertaking some research that may be of interest to you and your congregation.

In a nutshell, what I'm studying are virtual church services. Specifically, whether attending virtual services interferes with how people form bonds with their congregation, and whether that has any impact on their well-being.

So far there's little to no research out there examining this topic. I'm hoping that this study might be a starting point in



Below is a link where you'll find a full version of the research's explanatory statement as well as the survey I've put together in order to investigate this topic. Please click here to begin the survey: https://bit.ly/3trgw0t

If you were able to complete the survey, it would go a long way to helping the study along and would be greatly appreciated. Participants will also have the option to enter a draw to win a \$50 Coles/Myer gift card, as thanks for your participation.

Feel free to respond directly if you have any questions regarding the research.

Warm regards,

Stephen Goodhew

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ELECTION DAY CAKE STALL

Late news! Readers will be interested to know our Election Day stall raised \$684 selling home baked cakes, slices, biscuits, jams & relishes. Our stall was strategically placed in the courtyard outside the Church Hall so everyone had to pass us after casting their votes. Thank you so much to all the home bakers and cooks who provisioned the stall. You know who you are! Everything was sold except for 2 small bags of ginger bread men!



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Annual General Meeting of the congregation

The Annual General Meeting of the Congregation will be held after the Whole Church Family service on **Sunday 26th June 2022 in the church**. Following the meeting, there will be a soup lunch served in the Faichney Room.

The agenda will be to:

- Elect various office bearers (see below)
- Receive the Annual Report for 2021
- Approve the Annual Financial Report for 2021

Copies of these reports will be sent out to members electronically. Please contact the Church Office if you would like a hard copy.

The following members offer themselves for election which will be held by written ballot at the meeting:

As an elder: Christine Brown and Pamela Wilson (re-election)

As a non-elder of Church Council: James Barber (re-election) and Tim Brown (new member)

Congregation Chair: Alison Legge has nominated to take on the role of Chair of Congregation for a 5 year term, but is not able to assume the position until November 2022. A motion will be put for Barbara McKinnon to continue in this role until November.

Sun 12 Jun 9:00am Sun 12 Jun 10:15am	Family Church Service Morning Worship	Rev. Wal Baker Rev. Wal Baker
Mon 13 Jun Tue 14 Jun 4:30am Tue 14 Jun 7:30am Wed 15 Jun 6:30pm Sun 19 Jun 9:00am Sun 19 Jun 10:15am	Queen's Birthday Management Team Study Group Handbell Rehearsal Family Church Service Morning Worship	Office Closed Faichney Room Zoom Wettenhall Room Rev. Peter Whitaker Rev. Peter Whitaker
Tue 21 Jun 7:30am Wed 22 Jun 6:30pm Thu 23 Jun 7:30pm Sun 26 Jun 10:15am	Study Group Handbell Rehearsal Church Council Whole Church Community Service	Zoom Wettenhall Room Faichney Room Rev. John Edwards
Sun 26 Jun 11:00am Tue 28 Jun 7:30am	Annual General Meeting followed by lunch Study Group	Church Faichney Room Zoom