



TOGETHER IN FAITH

We extend a warm welcome to everyone to worship today

'We are God's people: unconditionally loved by God. Following our calling, we seek to reflect God's love everywhere, in all that we are and in all that we do'

Lectionary Readings for Pentecost 15A, 2026 September 6. (Father's day)

Theme: "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ."

Exodus 12:1-14 "The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live:"(v.13)

Psalms 149 "For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory."(v.4)

Romans 13:8-14 "Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh."(v.14)

Matthew 18:15-20 "where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."(v.20)

Today's Lectionary readings contains message of "Reconciliation" including salvation through Jesus Christ as a sacrificial lamb like Jewish people celebrated during their "Passover" event.

Exodus 12 tells us how to keep this sacred festival to remember how God 'passed over' the household of Israel in Egypt with the mark of lamb's blood on the doorpost.

This is a mark of Jewish people and a sign of God's salvation for Jews living in Egypt when God punished Egyptian people. Since the day, God ordered to keep this event as a Festival to remind people how God saved his people. This is the Festival of Passover when Jesus arrived Jerusalem and died on the cross as a sacrificial lamb and this symbolism has been used in Christian understanding of why Jesus died on the cross for atonement of our sins. Psalm reading also encourages to praise the Lord with a new song and dancing for God takes pleasure in his people and let them sing for joy.

Romans 13 talks about "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."(v.9) and in order to love, encourages to put on the Lord Jesus Christ, as Jewish people marked their doorpost with the sacrificial lamb's blood.

In Matthew 18, Jesus teaches how to resolve a conflict between members in a Christian community and how to reconcile between parties. Firstly, mediate with two or three witnesses and secondly, tell it to the church, and only when they don't listen to the church, treat like a gentile, recognising the difficulty of human conflict in a community, Jesus provide a potential process for reconciliation and says if you bind on earth, it will be bound in heaven and two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.(v.20)

Such an assurance saying "I am with you."(Eu estou com vocês in the image) reaffirms us what it means to put on the Lord Jesus Christ in our life.

Questions

1. What does it mean to you to "Put on Lord Jesus Christ."?
2. How do we reconcile in our faith community?

Next week: Pentecost 16A, 2026 September 13

Exodus 14:19-31, Psalm 114

Romans 14:1-12, Matthew 18: 21-35

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In the image, "com Jesus somos comunidades" means With Jesus we are community. "Com Deus, libertad dos pobres" means With God, freedom of the poor. "Eu estou com vocês" means I am with you. "Com Jesus lutamos por a vida" means With Jesus we fight for life.



Worship Services Today

Wangaratta 9.30am HC

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Eldorado 10.00am

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**Short Notices for the weekly
bulletin can be emailed to Christina
by 4pm Wednesday**

News

During this September, we will follow the Season of Creation which is initiated by ecumenical group including the Uniting Church. There will be prayers and encouragements in our worship celebrating God as Creator and protecting our common home that God has made. This year's theme is "Living Water; Immersion in Living Water.

"Walking the Bible" continues the second session on Wed. 9th September at 3pm. The recording of previous session and resources available to download from a shared folder, Including; Handout (pdf), Presentation (pdf), Session Recording (voice), Session Recording (video), Video clip from the presentation. Please note that it requires an Apple ID to access iCloud. Please make one if you don't have yet. Link:

https://www.icloud.com/icloudrive/o63T3E6kI9oKY1gBvk5xpSoog#Walking_Bible_Study_Resource

Spring Concert – Sunday 6th September

The Wangaratta Concert Band will present their Spring Concert in the Church Hall at 2pm today. An afternoon of wonderful music, all welcome, free and includes free afternoon tea.

A call out and appeal to anyone who has any information about our church time capsule? The location is known, but not its burial date and if there was a proposed exhumation date. If anyone has any recollections or information please contact Jim McKean.

Church Council election results: Bill Gerritsen, Gigi Blanch and Eileen Dinning were successfully re-elected on 30th August. There is a vacancy on Church Council should anyone wish to nominate.



Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

IMMERSION IN LIVING WATER
Ezekiel 47:9, 12

Wangaratta Cluster Calendar

Monday 7 September
Mainly Music

Tuesday 8 September
Church Executive meeting - 9.30am

Wednesday 9 September
Rangeview Service - 11am

Tuesday 15 September
Property & Finance - 4pm

Tuesday 15 September
Church Council - 5.30pm

Wednesday 16 September
St John's Service - 11am

Wednesday 16 September
Social Justice Committee - 4pm

Thursday 17 September
Illoura Service - 11am

Monday 21 September
SALT - Rowan Street - 6pm

Rosters for Sunday Worship

Wangaratta 9.30am	6 September	13 September	20 September
Worship Leader	Rev. Hoon You HC	Rev. Hoon You	Rev. Hoon You
Musician	R McLay	L Johnson	H Miles
Vestry	A Turnbull	C Thomson	L Bertuch & J Johnson
Welcome and Offering	K Martin	K Martin	D & K Fleet
Bible Reader	E Dinning *	C Thomson	S don Leonard
Morning Tea	R & D Steele	S Bishop & I Grant	M Stephens & S Carter
5 pm	G Miles	Heather McKean RSL Dinner	Wendie Wilkie HC
Eldorado 10am	C Thomson	No Service	Rev. Hoon You HC
Greta/Moyhu 10am	No Service	Wendie Wilkie	No Service

*Also helps with Vestry for HC

If you are unable to fulfil your rostered duty, please arrange to swap with someone else. A heartfelt thanks to you all - our priceless volunteers!