



Dunedin Methodist Parish

Finding Good in everyone Finding God in everyone

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PARISH BULLETIN

2nd October 2016

WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY 9th October

9.30 am	Mornington	S Pole
9.30 am	Mosgiel	Mosgiel LMT
11.00 am	Glenaven	S Pole
11.00 am	Wesley	Mosgiel LMT
1.00 pm	St Kilda	TBA

MOSGIEL MWF please note that Fellowship will be held on 11th October Not the 4 as normal.

SPRING EVENSONG - Sow the Good Seed, 7pm Sunday 9 October 2016, St Luke's Anglican Church, 67 Gordon Rd, Mosgiel.

AIDING THE PRISONERS - Debbie Macklin, volunteer co-ordinator at Dunedin's Prisoners' Aid and Rehabilitation Society asks whether any of our congregation members would be interested in volunteering with the organisation. She lists the following roles as possible ways of assisting: Court workers, drivers, property moving and sorting helpers, receptionist/administrators, house cleaning helpers, community support people, home support people. If you are interested you can contact her at (03) 474 1811 (extension 704), or 022 377 1056 or <debbie@parsotago.co.nz> Coming so soon after Phil McCarthy's Open Education talk about prisoner support, this seems almost like a divine follow-up!

**INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE
9th -16th October 2016**

“ANNUAL INTERFAITH PEACE GATHERING”

Monday 10th October 7.30pm-8.30pm followed by supper
Quaker Meeting House, 15 Park Street Dunedin

ALL WELCOME

Please bring a small vegetarian contribution towards supper

Further information from Greg Hughson

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Organised by the Dunedin Interfaith Council

dunedininterfaith@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1018160178282002/>



LIVE FROM CONFERENCE

We are 'live streaming' the following events from Methodist Conference at Wesley College to enable a greater number of people to participate.

Service to Honour those who have died (11:30am Saturday 1 October)

<https://livestream.com/accounts/15963912/events/6381202>

Powhiri Welcome (10:30am Saturday 1 October)

<https://livestream.com/accounts/15963912/events/6381197>

Ordination Service (2:30pm Sunday 2 October)

<https://livestream.com/accounts/15963912/events/6381210>

Recognition of those retiring (4:15pm Saturday 1 October)

<https://livestream.com/accounts/15963912/events/6381207>

Induction of President and Vice President (2:00pm Saturday 1 October)

<https://livestream.com/accounts/15963912/events/6381205>

These links are also on the Methodist website

<http://www.methodist.org.nz/conference/2016>

Don't worry if you cannot view the event live, all events will be available to be viewed over the next month on the livestream site and then will continue to be available on the Methodist website.



RADIO CHURCH

a weekly service presented by Dunedin Inner City Ministers' Assoc
Otago Access Radio 105.4FM & 1575AM and online www.oar.org.nz

8.30am Sunday



STORY FROM THE MISSION

Little Citizens Client Support Worker: It has been busy with clients both in the community, and also engaging with the new and returning parents enrolling at Little Citizens. Issues facing individuals include custody issues, domestic violence, and housing. One client has had some significant and relatively urgent issues regarding housing. Through her perseverance she is now moving into her own Housing New Zealand home with her daughter. This move has enabled her to move out of an environment that she felt was very unsuitable into one where she can live independently.

If you would like to support the Mission's work with a donation, please visit www.givealittle.co.nz and search for The Methodist Mission.

THE LAMPEDUSA CROSS - On Sunday 9 October at 3pm in the Mornington Methodist Church, Galloway Street, we will dedicate a remarkable treasure, a wooden cross fashioned from the timbers of shattered refugee vessels by a carpenter living on the island of Lampedusa, the principal crossing point to Europe for refugees from the African mainland. It will become a symbol of our sympathy with and support for all refugees, especially the Syrian families now taken in by our city. Later the cross will be shared with other churches and organisations. The Mayor, the Red Cross, senior church leaders and representatives of the Mission, members of the Muslim community and others will be there to show our solidarity with the wretched and dispossessed of this world. Please join us for a very special occasion in the life of our parish. Come early; parking space will be under considerable pressure.

Hear the

Royal Dunedin Male Choir



East Taieri Church

2pm Sun 16 Oct

12a Cemetery Rd

East Taieri

03 489 6308

www.etchurch.co.nz

No charge

Afternoon Tea

to follow



SERVING PRISONERS - Two men who serve the interests of prisoners in their daily lives were guests at an Open Education Meeting last week that focussed on the work of the Prison Fellowship of New Zealand PFNZ. Phil McCarthy (left) from Wellington is National

Director of PFNZ, and was the speaker for the evening. Peter Collett is Ecumenical Chaplain at Otago Regional Prison and came to express his appreciation for the assistance he receives in his work from the volunteers from the Prison Fellowship.

Phil McCarthy proved an arresting speaker, a man who has held a number of positions in prison administration throughout a long career in Corrections. But now in his recent years he dedicates himself to the interests of prisoners and prisoners' families. He stressed many times the Christian nature of PFNZ. "We are a Christian organisation, driven by Gospel values to bring God's love in practical ways to those we serve." Phil spoke with great conviction about those Gospel values as they illuminate the work of the Fellowship, including this adaptation of Jesus memorable words in the synagogue of his home town (Luke 4: 18-19). *Jesus has come to proclaim freedom and healing to those who are most discriminated against, the most forgotten in our community and in our world. Jesus has come to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour on the teenagers who are homeless, on the Syrian refugees, on the Mexican migrants, on the poorest of the poor in Haiti, and the people who find themselves prisoners of addiction, and their families.*



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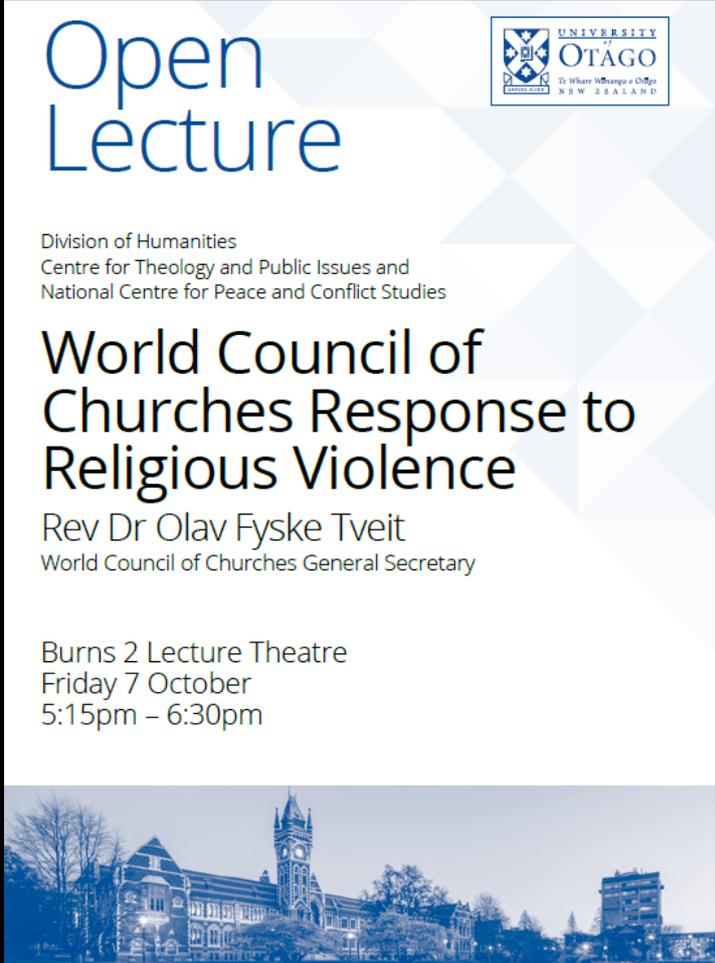
**Church Responses to Violence
Against Women**

Dr Katalina Tahaafe Williams
World Council of Churches Executive on Indigenous
Peoples' Programme

Dr. Tahaafe Williams is a passionate Missiologist and Public & Contextual Theologian. She currently serves as WCC Programme Executive, Mission and Evangelism. Her responsibilities include Indigenous, Migration, Multicultural Ministry, and Racial Justice. As a Tongan-Australian theologian she practices, studies and teaches multicultural/ecumenical liturgy and worship.

Saturday 08 October | 9:00am | Mornington Methodist
Church, 12 Galloway
Street, Mornington

ALL WELCOME!



**Open
Lecture**



Division of Humanities
Centre for Theology and Public Issues and
National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies

**World Council of
Churches Response to
Religious Violence**

Rev Dr Olav Fyske Tveit
World Council of Churches General Secretary

Burns 2 Lecture Theatre
Friday 7 October
5:15pm – 6:30pm



TRAVEL BROADENS THE MIND.

At the moment, Judy and I are in the North Island on a trip and I am doing some research. The days have been in

the last week fine in the main and it was delightful to return to some places we had visited many years ago, like Pohara Beach in Tasman Bay.

However, as you are all aware, travel comes with pitfalls. Sometimes the gear you take with you turns out to be unhelpful, like an overweight suitcase. Or something unexpected happens, as it did in my case when downloading a new piece of software for the laptop. Murphy's 2nd Law applied – if it can go wrong, it will. All my Microsoft word files disappeared from the desktop to be found spread around in

disarray some hours later in my picture files. Still, even now, three days later some of the files are missing but thankfully all my research material was saved to a memory stick.

That is only an aside to today's travel when the booking made with a popular budget airline flying from Nelson to Wellington would not load. So as one does, I phoned them but gave up waiting after 20 minutes of being on hold and repeatedly told I was a valued customer. All I wanted to do was pay for an upgrade of the checked in luggage. When we arrived at the airport check-in counter a delightful young woman brushed aside the worries of the previous 24 hours, and gave us our luggage at no extra cost, then wished us well on the journey to our plane which was running 55 minutes late.

Now all of this gets one to thinking about how fraught travel must have been centuries ago. The problems of today can be resolved at the entry of some numbers and click of a button. How fortunate we moderns are. No waiting for days on a wharf-side for a boat to possibly arrive. No confronting sailors who looked and behaved like pirates. No taking one's life in one's hands and praying for safe delivery.

“Whoa”, I hear you say! What about refugees in the Mediterranean at the mercy of men calling themselves people smugglers who assure the hapless from North Africa or the Eastern Mediterranean that they will be landed on a welcoming shore in a day or two. What about the people from Asia caught in the machinery of imprisonment in detention centres while trying to find a new life for themselves in Australasia?

Just maybe what happens in the mind is more important than the vistas one sees. Just maybe...

George Davis, 29 September 2016.