



RE:MAC ONLINE SUNDAY MARCH 29, 2020

Greetings MacChap family! Welcome to our first edition of Re:Mac Online. As we journey together through this time of physical distancing we hope this weekly newsletter may help us communicate how we will meet together, and other ways we together can build the Body of Christ here at Macquarie Chapel.



Please see page 2 for details of how you can access church in various ways this Sunday.

We continue our Term One Sermon Series for 2020, 'Friend of God' - the Gospel of Luke.

Di Hockridge will preach on Luke chapter 22 this Sunday.

We hope you can join us in some way on Sunday & please be at prayer during this time.

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LET US PRAY

Remembering that our God is always faithful, is good for our soul. Spending quiet time with Him in prayer is also good for the soul. There is so much to be praying for - we give a few suggestions to help our prayer focus;

Those who are suffering from COVID-19 and those in the health sector caring for and treating them, that God would provide healing, strength and protection.

Thank God for his sovereignty over all things and that nothing is too hard for him to handle, and that he would help us fix our eyes on Him, His grace and truth.

Ask God to help us gain a focus at this time on what is really important in life, and our need for relationship with Him.

HOW TO CONNECT WITH SUNDAY SERVICES

8.30am Service:

This service will be pre-recorded and available on the MacChap website at:
<https://macchap.org/>

Or for those not connected to, or not confident with accessing the internet, you may request a DVD/CD from the MacChap Office to be delivered to your home/mailbox hopefully by Saturday evening. Please phone the office on Friday if you wish to receive this - ph: 9878 8048.

4.00pm Service:

This service will use the Pre-recorded 8.30am service for this week, but stay tuned for what might happen in coming weeks!

10.30am and 6.30pm services: Zoom church - meeting virtually

Connect on Zoom around 15 mins before the service starts, via this link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4012132094>

Please consider staying a little while after the virtual church services to chat with others.



All are welcome to join Zoom church. Please note the following;

Please briefly familiarize yourself with the Zoom programme/app for your computer or device, and be ready to join in for the start of the service.

Please locate how to use the 'chat function' on Zoom, as there will be someone facilitating this space prior to the service if you have any questions.

Please mute your microphone during the service

Song lyrics will be on screen should you wish to sing along - but please keep mic muted.



GIVING

During this time of COVID-19 distancing restrictions please see your giving options below:

Bank transfer into the Macquarie Chapel Presbyterian Church bank account. Details can be found at this web address:

<https://www.macchap.org/giving/>

Otherwise, cash in an envelope, then please call the office on 9878 8048 and we can arrange for someone to collect from an arranged (and safe) location.

TIME OF GRIEF AND LOSS



This is very much a time of loss for us all (of normality among other things), transition, and the unknown. Please be assured that staff and some wonderful volunteers are working towards keeping our church connected and supported as a community at this time. We are on a steep learning curve at the moment. Please be patient with us during this period.

The Ministry Centre unfortunately is closed to physical visitors, however you can email, phone or once again connect via Zoom the staff at this time. You may also contact an Elder if you wish to speak with them. There are MacChap folk who have offered to help others in a practical way at this time. We have a strong desire to care for any of us who are in need, so please don't hesitate to contact the office and we will see what we can do to help you.



SMALL GROUPS

As you are no doubt aware, small groups are no longer able to meet in person. We are so very aware that at this time of physical distancing, it is important for us all to endeavour to keep connecting. We encourage small groups to continue meeting via Zoom or similar chat spaces, or conference calling etc. Also, please invite Dave and Lisa to your small group via Zoom. One or both of them would love to drop in and visit, even if it is just for 15 minutes.

We are also aware that many do not have the facility to connect via the internet, so please do continue to contact each other via phone calls or even write letters! We encourage everyone to be especially mindful of those less connected within our church groups.

Please watch this space for further opportunities to meet creatively.

HELP BANK CARDS

We have created a Help Bank for people to offer their services to others in need (making a deposit). Church members can request a withdrawal if they, or a friend or neighbour is in need.

Special Help Bank Cards are available overleaf for you to use or copy in case you want to offer to help a neighbour. The cards can be left in their letterbox or hand delivered to their door at the appropriate distance, when you check on your friends and neighbours.

Hello, If you are self-isolating due to COVID-19 or needing some support during these uncertain times I would be very happy to help you (for free of course!).

My name is _____

I live in your area and am also a member of MacChap (Macquarie Chapel Presbyterian Church) the one at the top of the hill on Herring Rd, Marsfield, with the big cross at its peak.

You can contact me at _____

and I'll do my best to assist you with your need. The following ticked items are ones I may be able to assist you with;

- Picking up shopping
- Gathering urgent supplies
- Posting mail
- Garden cleanup
- Being a listening ear over the phone

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WHO WE ARE & WHO WE WANT TO BE



We want to be a church that **imitates Christ**; a place where people can grow, where we glorify God and enjoy Him forever.

Like the first followers of Jesus we want to worship, learn, connect and reach out to others with God's love and truth. We want to be people like this individually and as a community.

If you want to know more about Jesus or know more about MacChap - please chat to someone, or send us an email or letter.

CONTACT DETAILS AND OTHER INFO

📍 2 Herring Rd, Eastwood NSW, 2122 ☎️ 9878 8048

🕒 Ministry Centre open to take phone calls: Mon-Friday 9.30am-3.00pm

Giving:

Account Name: Macquarie Chapel

Bank: Commonwealth, Eastwood.

BSB No: 062 161 Account No: 10189652

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You can subscribe to our regular emails:

- Re:Mac email about news and events, plus this Sunday bulletin.
- Dave's Download (Senior Minister Dave Woolcott weekly blog).

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