Poem ~ Baptism

It has come to this for Aila Pettigrew on her baptism

This is not a 'lived happily ever after' tidy, tided down ending.

Although it comes after questioning and searching,
it is not the final thing, but a beginning of something
that will certainly bring more questioning and searching.

It is not *the* beginning. That lies when you were a sweet thought in the mind of God – Conceived, birthed, nurtured in love. Here's the thing; you are giving your life to God yet all along God has been giving his life to you.

Today is simply your 'I know', your 'Thankyou' and your 'Yes', and God who has been waiting all your life to hear that, is delighted it has come to this. There will be plans to talk through, things that need your input. You will find he's not a great believer in the easiest paths, but you will have each other, you will have us, and somehow that will be enough.

Clare Lind

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NEXT WEEK'S TEAM

Lovelocks Service Leader Geoff N Preacher Lovelocks Worship Junior Youth **Prayers Bible Reading** Steve S Kids/Youth **Door Greeting** Mothers Day Children's Talk Camilla & Peter Mornina Tea Kanako I

Sound/Data Liam H/Ruth N
Vmix/Camera Dan S/Ashley M

Duty ElderMark LPrayer MinistryDon LWelcomeJudith FOfferingCamilla C

Set up

Playground

Craig, Simon, Paul Daley, Henderson,

Downey

LEITH VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday 2 May 2021



Growing Great Community

Seeking God's Kingdom

Baptism

Today we celebrate with Aila Pettigrew as she declares her faith in Jesus Christ by being baptised. We would like to extend an especially warm welcome to all Aila's friends and family who are here today to support her.

Clare Lind will conduct the baptism.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:6-7*

SERVICE LEADER:

HANNAH T-H **PREACHER:**

RICHARD D WORSHIP:

HANNAH T-H

DUTY ELDER:

Don L



TODAY'S READING ROM 8: 5-11
JOHN 10: 10-11
JER: 17: 9

Welcome to worship with us this morning! If you are visiting today please help yourself to a WELCOME PACK from the back table. We'd love you to leave us a contact form so we can get back in touch. Hand this to the Service Leader, or leave on the welcome table.

Today's Team

Door Greeting: Ashleen O Pravers for Others: Rachel F Bible Readings: Bonnie S Sound: Raymond Y Data Projection: Ruth P Vmix: Brian M Camera: Bronwvn B Welcome: Bible L

Set up Team:
Offering Counter:
Morning tea:

Prayer Ministry:

Playground:

Lock-up:

Millers
Bronwyn M

Jocelyn & Steve Debbie G

Mal & Helen C Shannon, Tallon,

Barton

Bronwyn M

Leith Notices

WELCOME

We would like to welcome members of the Roslyn Baptist Church who are joining us for worship for the time being while they reassess their mission. We hope you will feel at home here at Leith.

MAINLY MUSIC



Music and movement for pre-schoolers and their caregivers.

Wednesdays 10am at Leith Valley Church, 267 Malvern St. Contact: Fran Dawson 027 456 1188 Term 2 starts this Wednesday 5 May.

FOOD FOR THE SOUL



Meets 10-11am on Fridays, @ Leith Valley Church, 267 Malvern St. for morning tea and to make up food.

HAD A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY?

Send details to Rachel: batesr71@gmail.com for the power point.



The Church AGM will be held tonight, Sunday May 2 at Leith Valley Church 267 Malvern St.

Come for dessert at 7pm, meeting will start

at 7.30pm

Copies of the Annual Report will be available on the Sunday morning.

WAIHOLA WORLDVIEW WEEKEND

Apologetics-focused weekend for students from years 9-13. May 21-23 Guest Speaker: Dr Ross Pettigrew. For more information and to

> https://cycwaihola.org.nz/ wordpress/?p=8177

register, follow this link:

Prayer by Zoom:



Wednesdays 6.30am, Saturdays 8.00am The link is the same each week and is sent out by email Tuesdays & Fridays.

Leith Notices

OPEN LECTURE

Centre for Theology and Public Issues, Theology Programme, University of Otago.

FAITH THINKING Going Deeper into 1 Corinthians

with Professor Paul Trebilco. Theology Programme, University of Otago.

7-9pm, Thursday May 6, 13, 20 in Burns 7.

This Course costs \$20. To enrol please go to: https://www.otago.ac.nz/ continuingeducation/index.html

LAY PREACHERS DAY

Friday 14 May 2021, 11am to 3pm Balclutha Presbyterian Church, 72 Clyde Street, Balclutha

All lay preachers and interested people across Presbyterian, Anglican and Methodist Churches are invited.

Rev John Daniel will be facilitating the day. To advise that you are attending, please contact either Doroth Willis (dorothyewillis@xtra.co.nz) or Rachael Masterton (rmasterton@actrix.co.nz) Lunch provided. Please advise of dietary needs.

AUTUMN RETREAT: Falling Leaves and Gathering Kindling

With the Rev Dr. Hilary Oxford Smith and harpist and Julie Saraswati. Friday 7th May, 9.30am - 4pm @296 Teschemakers Road, Oamaru, Otago 9492 - \$95.00 per person To register email hilary@spiritofbradan.com Or phone 021 0283 5435

TRAINING SEMINAR: 'People in Place'

On the subject of environmental sustainability in social service.

Led by Sylvia Purdie.

Monday 17 May 2021 9.00am - 4.00pm Cost: \$210 (no GST payable) at Leith Valley Presbyterian Church, 267 Malvern St.

For those in church or community work, social services, counselling etc.

Syvia will accept a koha instead of the full registration fee.