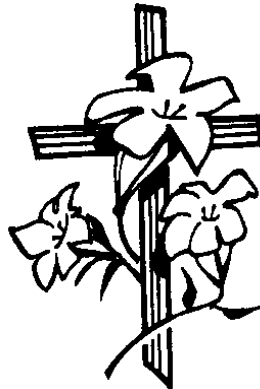




April 2010

*Easter at  
St Andrew's*



St Andrew's Uniting Church  
*A congregation of the Uniting Church in Australia  
25 West Market Street, Richmond, NSW*

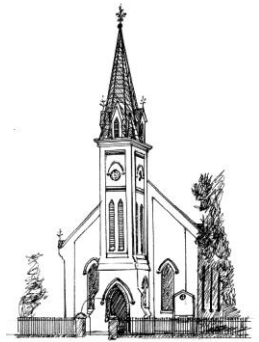
**Mission Statement:**  
**To bring the Gospel of Christ to the people of the  
Hawkesbury**

**Minister of the Word**

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***Please contact a member of the Pastoral Leaders Team(PLT)  
for any support needs.  
Their names and phone numbers  
are listed in the foyer (near the clock).***



**SUNDAY  
WORSHIP  
SERVICES**

**8.30 am  
Church**

Traditional worship  
followed by morning  
tea and fellowship

**9.45 am  
Church**

In conjunction with  
our Kids' Sunday  
program.

A family celebration,  
including programs  
for children from 3  
years of age up to  
Secondary Year 9.  
Morning tea and  
fellowship follows.

**6.00 pm  
Sundays@Six  
Auditorium**

Modern worship with  
singers, drama and  
band, plus supper to  
follow.

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## DVD Review

I recently purchased 3 DVDs with the title "The Case for a Creator"; "the Case for Faith" and "the Case for Christ" all narrated and produced by Lee Strobel, a self confessed atheist and very capable investigative reporter for the Chicago Tribune.

Now that sounded promising viewing to me, until seeing the DVD's for sale in Koorong bookshop, I had never heard of Lee Strobel. Well the good news is that I think these are some of the best produced, narrated and interesting films about three really important issues for Christians to think about.

Strobels' background as an investigative journalist lends great credibility to the way he presents the facts of each film. So why did he make these films? In early 1980 his wife became a Christian, Lee thought this was a disaster as the woman he loved was now part of something that he just had no time for with an even greater contempt for all it represented. After all, he was a modern man who had long ago given up on any of the countless god-stories.

However over a period of time he noticed a subtle change in his wife in the way she related to others and behaved. That made Lee rethink his attitude to the whole Christian story. Having been convinced by what he learnt through the study of science during his school years, he decided he would start with the science side of things to see if that was compatible with a belief in God.

What follows is Lee's story befitting an investigative journalist. So if you think that you might like to view these DVD's and see for yourself what Lee discovered, I would be very happy to lend them to you. Each runs for about an hour and they are all well done, great for a study group or for friends who may be interested in the Christian story or just for your own edification and enjoyment.

*Mike Faine*

## Phone buddies



All those who are phone buddies please let me know :

1. If you are happy with the arrangement
2. If you need a replacement buddy (for example, if someone has gone away)
3. If you are willing to be a phone buddy

## Our new format

WANTED - a few super folk are needed – please see myself or Je-Kon if you see an area in one of our four groups where you can be a helper if someone is on holiday or is sick e.g. David is off for a holiday in England and is in need of someone to prepare the Newsletter for August; his daughter Judith who is a great help each month will also be away. If you have some desktop publishing experience they can provide the front and back pages.

*Sandi Herbert*

## ***Hard-earned wages***

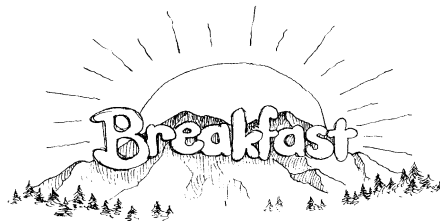
An old church in Belgium decided to repair its properties and employed an artist to touch up a large painting. When the artist presented his bill the minister in charge refused payment unless details were specified whereupon the artist presented the items as follows:

- To correcting the Ten Commandments 7.6
- Embellishing Pontius Pilate and putting new ribbons on his bonnet 2.3
- Putting new tail on rooster of St Peter and mending his comb 1.9
- Repluming and gilding left wing of Guardian Angel 6.8
- Washing the servant of the High Priest and putting carmine on his cheeks 9.0
- Renewing heaven, adjusting stars, cleaning up the moon 14.0
- Touching up Purgatory and restoring lost souls 12.0
- Brightening up the flames of Hell , putting new tail on the Devil, Mending his left hoof and doing several odd jobs for the damned 16.4
- Rebordering the robes of Herod and adjusting his wig 3.9
- Cleaning Balaam's Ass and putting one shoe on him 3.0
- Taking spots off the son of Tobias 2.6
- Putting a new stone in David's sling, enlarging the head of Goliath and Extending Paul's legs 15.0
- Decorating Noah's Ark and putting a head on Shem. 8
- Mending the shirt of the Prodigal Son and cleaning his ear 6.6

The bill was paid!

*Thank you to Mary Avern for providing this*

## **Men's Breakfast**




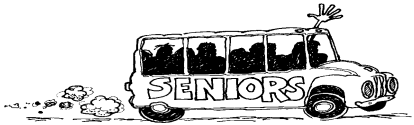
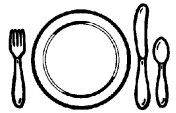
10th April 7.30 at the church.

Guest speaker TBA.

## Worship Planner for April 2010

Date	8:30am	9:45am	6pm	Remarks
<b>4 April</b> (Easter)	Je-Kon Oh (HC)	Je-Kon Oh	Je-Kon Oh	Daylight Saving
<b>11 April</b> (Easter 2)	Je-Kon Oh	Je-Kon Oh	Je-Kon Oh	
<b>18 April</b> (Easter 3)	Graham Knight	Graham Knight	Mike Faine	Note: The 9:45am service HC moved to the next Sunday.
<b>25 April</b> (Easter4)	Je-Kon Oh	Je-Kon Oh (HC)	Je-Kon Oh	ANZAC Day; Kids' Sunday begins.

*\* Note: This plan can be changed at any time.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Easter</i>				<b>1</b> Maundy Thursday 9.30 Fellowship  8.00 Worship (auditorium)	<b>2</b> GOOD FRIDAY 9.00 Worship	<b>3</b>  Clocks <b>Back</b> 1 hour
<b>4</b> EASTER DAY 8.30/9.45 Worship Lent Event Finish  <i>Sundays@6.00</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> "Learn to Sew  7.30 PLT Meeting	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 10.00 Coffee 'n Chat	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 7.30 Blokes 'n Sheds  NSW Synod opens
<b>11</b> 8.30/9.45 Worship  <i>Sundays@6.00</i>	<b>12</b> Bus Trip (4 days)	<b>13</b> Bus Trip (4 days)  NSW Synod closes	<b>14</b> Bus Trip (4 days)  	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 8.30/9.45 Worship  <i>Sundays@6.00</i>	<b>19</b> 9.30 Playtime	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 12 Seniors' Lunch  	<b>23</b> 7.00 Youth Group	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> ANZAC Day 8.30/9.45 Worship Kids' Sunday begins Lent Event \$\$\$  <i>Sundays@6.00</i>	<b>26</b> 9.30 StA Singers?	<b>27</b> 7.30 Resources Budget Meeting	<b>28</b> 9.45 M.O.P.S.	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	

**APRIL 2010**





Because of the danger to members and visitors with an allergy to nuts, the church premises are declared to be NUT FREE. Please do not bring nuts in any form.

## WHAT'S ON DURING THE WEEK

### SUNDAYS

**Paddlers** – Age 3 to Kinder: 9.45-11.00am (Heather Fairhall 4571 1019)  
**Kids Sunday** – Years 1-5: 9.45-11.00am (Robyn Duignan 4572 7517)  
**GWU** – Junior High Youth Years 7-9: 9.45-11.00am (Greg Inskip 4573 1002)

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### MONDAYS

**Playtime** – 9.30am-11.30am – Parents and preschoolers (Michelle Dacey 4574 1312)  
**Andy's Hands-on-Help** – 9.00am to 1.00pm – Maintenance and Fellowship (Bob Thuaux 4578 2309)

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### TUESDAYS

**Church Council** – 7.30pm 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in odd-numbered month (Greg Inskip 4573 1002)  
**Pastoral Leaders Team** – 7.30pm 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday even numbered month (Je-Kon Oh)

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### WEDNESDAYS

**MOPS** – 9.45-11.45am Fortnightly in school terms for Mums and preschoolers (Michelle Dacey 4574 1312)

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### THURSDAYS

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday: Adult Fellowship** (Irene Milne 4578 1482)  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday: Coffee 'n Chat** – 10am (  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday: Seniors All Together** – 10am – 12 noon (Crafts)  
**4<sup>th</sup> Thursday: Seniors Lunch** 12 – 1.45pm  
**Senior's Bible Study** – 12 noon-1.30pm Bible Study (except 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday)  
(for info on Thursday seniors activities contact Sandi Herbert (4573 1517))

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### FRIDAYS

**Op Shop** – 9.00am – 12.00 – clothes and wares (Carmel Hagedoorn Phone 4567 7448)  
**Open Church Prayer** – 9.30am - 10.30am and more (Margaret and Keith Bailey 4776 1487)  
**Youth Group (Years 6-10)** 7pm every fortnight during school term (Greg Inskip 4573 1002)

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### SATURDAYS

**Blokes 'N Sheds** –Breakfast bi-monthly (Bob Thuaux 4578 2309)

*SMALL/HOME GROUPS are a valuable and integral part of St Andrew's ministry. We encourage all members to join a group. For further information please speak to our Minister Rev. Je-Kon Oh - phone 4578 3421 (Home)*