St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

Pew Sheet 11 October 2026
Pentecost XX

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sat 10th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 11th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XX
Sun 11th	4:30pm	Women of Spirit
Tue 13th	1:30pm	Memory Care Café
Wed 14th	9:30am	Morning Prayer
Wed 14th	2:30pm	Book Club
Sat 17th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 18th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XXI

Parish Office

The Parish office will be open next week Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10am to 2pm (closed Wednesday).

Hearing Loop

A Hearing Loop is installed in the Church, please use the T switch on your hearing aid.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St Margaret's Anglican Parish Eltham acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship. We commit to working for reconciliation and justice for First Peoples. Diversity and inclusivity are important to us at St Margaret's. Everyone is welcome here, regardless of race, gender, sexuality, or ability.

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God,
in your wisdom you have so ordered our earthly life
that we must walk by faith and not by sight:
give us such trust in your fatherly care
that in the face of all perplexities
we may give proof of our faith
by the courage of our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Mobile Phones during service

A gentle reminder to please remember to switch off mobile phones before services.

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Vicar: Revd. Yvette Daniel revdyvette@stmargaretseltham.org.au, Tel. 0439 035 741 (day off Thur)
Assistant Curate. Revd. Andrew Murray revdandrew@stmargaretseltham.org.au Tel. 0449 501 479,

Worship 11 October 2026—Pentecost XX

Sentence

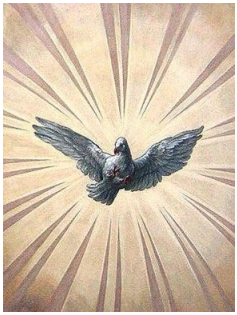
This is our God for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation. *Isaiah 25.9*

Prayer of the Day

Saving and healing God,
you have promised
that those who have died with Christ shall live with him:
grant us grace to be continually thankful for all you have done for us,
and in that thankfulness
to be eager to serve and live for others,
so that we and all your children may rejoice in your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Exodus 32. 1-14



Today's Psalm

Psalms 106. 1-6, 20-24

Second Reading

Philippians 4. 1-9

Gospel

Matthew 22. 1-14

Today's Music

Welcome Hymn: Lord of all hopefulness—TiS 613 (8.00 am)

Offertory: Beauty for Brokenness—TiS 690

Communion Hymn: Holy, holy, holy—TiS 723

Mission Hymn: O for a thousand tongues to sing—TiS 210

YouTube Link - Sunday 10:00 am Service
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU8zWevMdRsIRq70IA6MUlg/live

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Reading – Exodus 32. 1-14

1 When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the
people gathered around Aaron and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall
go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of
Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.'

2 Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives,
your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.' 3 So all the people took off
the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron.

4 He took the gold from them, formed it in a mould, and cast an image of a calf; and
they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of
Egypt!'

5 When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation
and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord .'

6 They rose early the next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of
well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

7 The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up
out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; 8 they have been quick to turn
aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an im-
age of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your
gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" '

9 The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are.
10 Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may con-
sume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

11 But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord , why does your wrath
burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with
great power and with a mighty hand? 12 Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with
evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume
them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind
and do not bring disaster on your people. 13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel,
your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will mul-
tiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have prom-
ised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever." ' 14 And the
Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Second Reading: **Philippians 4.1-9**

[1] Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand
firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. [2] I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the
same mind in the Lord.

[3] Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled
beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-
workers, whose names are in the book of life.

[4] Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. [5] Let your gentleness be known to
everyone. The Lord is near.

[6] Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanks-
giving let your requests be made known to God.

[7] And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and
your minds in Christ Jesus.

[8] Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is
pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if
there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. [9] Keep on doing the things
that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will
be with you.

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 22. 1-14**

[1] Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: [2] 'The kingdom of heaven may be
compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. [3] He sent his slaves to call
those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come.

[4] Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have pre-
pared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is
ready; come to the wedding banquet." [5] But they made light of it and went away, one to
his farm, another to his business, [6] while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and
killed them.

[7] The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their
city. [8] Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not wor-
thy. [9] Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding
banquet."

[10] Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both
good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. [11] ‘But when the king came
in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe,
[12] and he said to him, “Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?”
And he was speechless.

[13] Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into
the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” [14] For many
are called, but few are chosen.’

Parish Financial Report—August 2026

		Actual	Budget	Variance
Income				
	Offertory	$ 7,494	$ 6,666	$ 828
	Other	$ 29,073	$ 27,553	$ 1,520
	Total	$ 36,567	$ 34,219	$ 2,348
Expenditure		$ 36,796	$ 36,251	$ 545
Deficit		-$ 229	-$ 2,032	$ 1,803

Banking details for direct deposit
St Margarets Anglican Church
Westpac BSB 033091 Account No 870706

David Pryor, Parish Accountant.

NOTICES

What's Coming Up

Sun 18th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XXI
Mon 19th	10:30am 7:30pm	Communications & Marketing Faith Issues Discussions
Tue 20th	10:30am	Spiritual Direction
Wed 21st	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 21st	1:30pm	Finance Committee
Sat 23rd	8:00am	Meditation
Sat 24th	10:00am	Jam making workshop
Sun 25th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XXII
Sun 25th	11:30am	Formation for Baptism and Confirmation
Sun 25th	2:00pm	Folk Gospel Café
Sun 25th	5:30pm 6:30pm	Taize meal Taize prayers
Mon 26th	7:30pm	Parish Council meeting
Tue 27th	1:30pm	Memory Care Café
Wed 28th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Sat 31st	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 1st November	10:00am (one service only)	All Saints Day / All Souls
Sun 1st	12:00pm	Pub lunch

Weekday Morning and Evening Prayer at St Margaret's

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Prayer	8.30am	8.30am	9.30am	8.30am	-
Evening Prayer	5.00pm	5.00pm	5.00pm	5.00pm	-

WOMEN OF SPIRIT

11TH OCTOBER 4.30—6.00pm

EMBODYING THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

What are the fruits of the Spirit? Meditate or contemplate on the fruits. How do we embody them in our daily lives? Opportunities to reflect through sharing, meditation, art, writing or silent contemplation.

Led by: Judy Scott

Memory Café dates

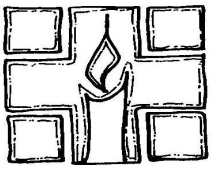
2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month 1.30 to 3pm

OCTOBER 13, 27

NOVEMBER 10, 24

Baptism

Please pray for Millie Thomas and her family.
Millie will be baptised on 18th October 2026.



ROSTER	11 October 2026 Pentecost XX 8:00am	11 October 2026 Pentecost XX 10:00am	14 October Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev'd Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 22.1-14*	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 22.1-14*	Rev'd Yvette Daniel *Luke 11.42-46*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Robert Brazenor	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**	Robert Brazenor	David Pryor	N/A
Communion **Assistants**	Kathleen Toal	Sylvia Gilbert Sandra Brown-Holt	N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**	Mary Lynton-Moll	Roger Alcock Harry Watson	Jennifer Constantine
First **Reading**	Mary Lynton-Moll *Exodus 32. 1-14*	Adrienne Watson *Exodus 32.1-14*	Michael Tucker *Galatians 5.18-25*
Second **Reading**	Barbara Speed *Philippians 4.1-9*	Harry Watson *Philippians 4.1-9*	
Psalm	*Psalm 106.1-6, 20-24*	*Psalm 106.1-6, 20-24*	*Psalm 1*
Intercessor	Catherine Pearson	Sandra Brown-Holt	
Morning Tea	Mary Lynton-Moll	Anna Mott Carol Northmore	Jenny Disney
Banking	David Pryor		
Music	Helen Coutts	Amelia Trinh	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Sally Warner	John Humann Mandy Stevens	
Flowers	Sally Petty		

ROSTER	18 October 2026 Pentecost XXI 8:00am	18 October 2026 Pentecost XXI 10:00am	21 October Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel	TBC
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev'd Yvette Daniel *Matthew 22. 15-33*	Rev'd Yvette Daniel *Matthew 22. 15-33*	TBC *Luke 12. 39-48*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Rev'd Andrew Murray	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**	Rev'd Andrew Murray	Geoff Sandy	N/A
Communion **Assistants**	Neil Andrewartha	Tony Michaelson Rev'd Andrew Murray	N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**	Marg Duncan	Roger Alcock	Jill Rogers
First **Reading**	David Greenfield *Exodus 33. 12-23*	David Pryor *Exodus 33. 12-23*	Lorna Howard *Ephesians 3. 2-12*
Second **Reading**	Sally Warner *1 Thessalonians 1.1-10*	Geoff Sandy *1 Thessalonians 1.1-10*	
Psalm	*Psalm 99*	*Psalm 99*	*Song of Isaiah*
Intercessor	Rev'd Andrew Murray	Geoff Sandy	
Morning Tea	Neil Andrewartha	Jan Kerr John Humann	Jill Rogers
Banking	TBC		
Music	Helen Coutts	Amelia Trinh	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Sally Warner	Sandra Brown-Holt Liz Pryor	
Flowers	Sandra Brown-Holt		

St Margaret's Parish Annual Meeting (AM)

Sunday 8th November 2026 at 11:30am

Updating of Electoral Roll: Please check your name is on the electoral roll, in order to vote at the AM. If you wish your name to be added to or removed from the roll, please complete the application form and give to Rev Yvette, one of the wardens, (Sally P, Harry W, Dave G) or Carolyn in the office, no later than Sunday 18th October. Forms are available in the foyer.

Annual Meeting Reports: Reports from committees and working groups, to be included in the annual report for the AM should be submitted to the parish office no later than Sunday 11th October.

Nominations for Vestry, Wardens, and Incumbency Committee are now invited and must be received by the Vicar by 2:00pm on Wednesday 28th October. Forms available in the foyer.

Jam for the St Margaret's Market Stall

This year, the parish will have a stall at the Eltham Rotary Festival on Saturday, 13 November. Along with taking the Church to the people through the stall, we are in need of jams, marmalades and preserves to sell.

To help with this, on **Saturday, 24 October** at 10am there will be a jam making workshop in the Hall Kitchen, which will be lead by Rev'd Andrew's mother - who is an experienced jam maker. There will only be space for **three or four** interested parishioners, who are encouraged to bring:

- A large pot.
- Fruit (such as fresh or frozen berries) to make into jam.
- White sugar.
- A sugar thermometer.

Some parishioners have begun to collect jam jars and lids, so please bring those in so we can assess what we have! We will also need attractive labels, both for the sides and the lids of the jars. Please speak with Rev'd Andrew for further details.

All Saints and All Souls Day

All Saints and All Souls Day will be celebrated at a combined service at 10.00am on Sunday 1st November when the names of those we wish to have remembered will be read during the intercessional prayers.

As we have done over the last few years there are two lists: LIST A with the names of those whom we recognise as being connected to current parishioners as well as those who, we know, have been parishioners at St Margaret's or St Faith's. The second list is composed of names of those we don't recognise LIST B.

Both lists will be in the foyer of the church this Sunday 11th October. Please take a moment to review List A and ensure that your loved ones are on it. If you find names of people on List B who you wish to have restored to List A, please place a tick by their name.

This is a very special and personal celebration and we wish to uphold all who are significant to you.

Formation for Baptism and Confirmation

With several candidates now preparing for Baptism and Confirmation at Easter next year, we will be running a monthly Christian formation series meeting at **11:30am** after the 10am Eucharist **on the following dates**:

- **25 October**
- **29 November**
- **13 December**

The eight sessions in the series will engage with topics including: human person, the Sacraments, Prayer, Holy Scripture, the Creeds, the Church, and living a life of faith.

If you know someone who is interested in being Baptised, Confirmed or Received into the Anglican Church, please let Rev'ds Yvette or Andrew know—we would be happy to accompany them on their journey.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age. Matthew 28:19–20

Please hold these sessions and the candidates in your prayers over this period.

folk gospel café

2-4pm Sunday 25th October 2026

St.Margaret's Gospel Band

featuring original songs by Christina Green

St.Margaret's Hall 79-81 Pitt Street Eltham

refreshments to follow

TICKETS $10.00

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ELTHAM-MONTMORENCY UNITING CHURCH
INVITE YOU TO SHARE IN:

Thread lightly - exploring sustainable textile futures

Eltham Montmorency Uniting Church - 810 Main Road, Eltham

Thursday 5th November 6-9pm

6-9pm - Op Shop Open

6.30-7.30pm - Fay Loveland
Bringing back the skill of fine woollen darning! Bring along a fine woollen item to visibly mend yourself and chat about this (nearly) lost skill.

7.30-8.30pm
Speakers and Q&A
Katrina Naish, Annie Valentine, Ben Kaminsky

Refreshments available

Bring along your textiles to recycle

Speakers

Katrina Naish, is the founder of A Fitting Connection, a social enterprise committed to reducing textile waste through education and upcycling. She also runs The Creative Community Space and The Fabric ReStore —home to a fabric and sewing supplies recovery centre.

Annie Valentine - Styling and Op Shopping
Annie is an avid op-shopper and believes personal style should be guided by self-awareness, not seasonal trends. She is passionate about helping people identify their unique style and teaching practical strategies to shop smarter and dress with confidence.

Ben Kaminsky - is the Co Founder of Textile Recyclers Australia which aims to reduce any form of textile going into landfill.

Parish Council Abridged Minutes of meeting on 28 September, 2026

The meeting was opened with Prayer

1. **Attendance**: Apologies from Rev'd Andrew, Sandra and Tony
2. **Previous minutes**: Accepted with a correction:
3. **Matters arising**: Major capital works normally will require 3 quotations. However, exception can be made when a "tried and tested" provider is competitive in price and it is difficult to get 3 quotations.
4. **Mission Action Plan**: The Vicar reported that only the Vicar's clinic has not yet happened.
   Disability strategy; Still work in progress. A presentation by Virginia McDonald later
5. **Finance Committee**: Balance Sheet is less negative than expected (about $3000)
   The treasurer's report was accepted
6. **Compliance, Policies, and Procedures**: Hall Hire policy was reviewed, approved and updated.
   Event Document: Updated and approved
7. **Safe Ministry** Diocesan advice about 'clearance for service' paused until after Synod
   We have completed reviewing all of the 11 points.
8. **Diocesan Compliance**: Up to date
9. **Correspondence**: Diocesan Bulletin – section on disability. A note to be put in the pew sheet about the upcoming session on caring to be presented by Virginia McDonald.
10. **Vicar's Report**: Busy month with happy and sad events. PC records their appreciation and thanks
    Assistant Curate's report: Thanks for his report and unbridled enthusiasm. It was noted that he is enhancing his worship presentation / leadership skills and will share them with us soon.
11. **Event Approval**: Event Planning Sheet - Rotary Festival Approved
    Event Planning Sheet – Folk Gospel Café Oct 26 Approved
12. **Subcommittee Reports**:
    Pastoral Care Team No meeting in September
    Marketing and Communication: In hand
    Do Justice: Nil to report
    Music Scholarship Committee: Fund raising concert raised $1834.00. Thanks to the organizing team (John Human, Diana Warrell and David Pryor), Liz Pryor and her team for the refreshments, Shaun and his choir, the Scholarship students and ex-students, and the Eltham High School String Quartet.
    The music fees for Pricilla for the second half of the year have been paid. Robert Street will be standing in for the music in the church for the month that Pricilla is away as an exchange student.
    PVAW: No report
    Taizé: Report received with thanks
13. **Warden's report**: No minutes due to Zoom problem
14. **Other Matters**: **Planning for next year**. Discussed having a meeting in January
    Giving of Mission funds $2,000 to Anglican Overseas Aid. The remainder ($7,000) to be allocated soon with the Wardens' approval.
    A donation of $30,000 for Children's Ministry from a church family has been received and has been invested in ADF.
    Next meeting: Apologies from Yvette, Linda and Sally
    The meeting will be chaired by Sheila
    Date: Monday, 26th October
15. **Annual Meeting**: **Sunday 8th November, 11.30am**

The meeting was closed with a prayer and the Grace

Rev'd Yvette Annual Leave

Rev'd Yvette will be on leave from Monday 19th October, returning 7th November.

On the Sunday 25th October, Fr Graeme Brennan will preside and Geoff Sandy will preach.

On the 1st November, when we celebrate All Saints / All Souls with a combined 10am service. Mthr Pirrial Clift will preside at this service and Rev'd Andrew to preach.

Our Wednesday services will be held at the same time as usual during this time.

Mthr Pirrial Clift

It's hard to fit my connection to St Margaret's into 100 words! Our family arrived in Eltham in 1975. Those born after '75 were baptised - and two were married – here. My Mum and sister's ashes lie in the Garden, where I plan to join them. I served in Sunday School, and committees, and as Vicar's warden... It's here where I learned how to be Anglican, and how to be a priest. Ordained in Newcastle and returning to Victoria after retirement, I live a contemplative life; keeping occupied with spiritual direction; leading quiet days and retreats; and an Associate Priest position at St Peter's, Eastern Hill.

God's peace be with you

Pirrial

Fr Graeme Brennan

After 15 early years of parish, hospital and school ministry in Melbourne, Fr Graeme was attracted by the prospect of a tree-change. Surviving the physical rigours of Timbertop for the next 5 years as Chaplain and Maths teacher convinced him that he must have become the fittest Anglican priest in Victoria. Finally, he decided that if he ever felt the urge to hike, ski, run, paddle and ride again, he would lay down until the urge went away. To that end, he went on to become the Senior Chaplain to Brighton Grammar School, the Head of R.E., again a Maths teacher and a senior school tennis coach for the next 13 years.

Apart from his High Country conditioning, Fr Graeme brought an unusual CV to chaplaincy: he

- had been an industrial chemist prior to becoming a priest,
- was a visiting chaplain to the Collingwood Football Club,
- had actor Anthony Hopkins to lunch,
- is *(still)* a staunch monarchist, and
- was the inaugural chaplain to the Melbourne Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

Moving on from teaching, the variety in his working life has continued: he has been

- an associate priest in the busy city parish of St Peter's, Eastern Hill,
- active as a relief locum tenens in a number of parishes,
- recording talking books and broadcasting as a newsreader for radio 3RPH,
- acting as umpire escort for the Fitzroy Football Club.

St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

KEEP IN TOUCH

We send out this pewsheet weekly with updates on services, events, and our life together in our parish community.

To keep in touch with us, please complete this slip with your name and email address, tear off this page, and place it in the collection plate or hand to the clergy or greeter.

We look forward to seeing you again soon!

NAME:……

EMAIL:……

We will only use this information to add your email address to our parish mailing list. Please let us know at any time if you no longer to wish to receive parish emails.

FOYER SCREEN

If you, or any committee wish to publicise an event or news on our Foyer TV, please Contact Linda at lindadawn50@gmail.com

Pictures in PDF format please

Preventing Violence Against Women

Love does no harm.

No one should live in fear of violence

St Margaret's Church is signed up to Preventing violence against women program(PVAW)

If you have any concerns related to any form of abuse or controlling behaviour exhibited towards yourself or , someone you know – in an emergency call **000**

24 hr information hotline 1800 Respect- **1800 737 732**

Orange door – our local family violence service – **1800 319 355**

You can also speak with Mandy Stevens who is our church family safety champion or Revd. Yvette Daniel

Remember – You are not alone

Prayer Chain

For any prayer Requests

Mary Lynton-Moll

prayerchain@stmargaretseltham.org.au

or 0412 512 416

Mission Priorities for St Margarets Church

4 areas of focus for the next 5 years

- *To grow the Church Younger*
- *To be a spiritual place for the lost, seeking and found*
- *To live as disciples of Jesus Christ*
- *To take the Church outdoors and take the church to the People*

What we carry out will be shaped by the 5 marks of Mission

The Five Marks of Mission are an important statement on mission. They express the Anglican Communion's common commitment to, and understanding of, God's holistic and integral mission. The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ.

The Five Marks of Mission:
The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
2. To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth