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Autumn Time

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The pleasures of Autumn.
Cooler temperatures.
Still warm and sunny days.
An array of new colours abound.
The seasons changing always.

Falling leaves all upon the ground, lets us enjoy the beautiful colours of the leaves. Some trees are ever-greens and will not shed their leaves in autumn; and that is just so good to see – lovely green trees in full bloom always. But then the other deciduous ones, shed their leaves. Children often enjoy to walk among them and shuffle them about. Or collect one or two, as I myself did as a child. Two really large beautiful leaves, gathered up and took home – to keep pressed with tissue paper, inside a large book. Kept them for many years.

SA History Month of May

This is the poster on the table, that the SA Government created for each participant in the History Festival. There were about 200 participants in the Metro area. As well as that many in all the country towns and areas around. It has become quite an interesting time. Some very historical buildings and many fun activities put on by the City council – such as a “Ghost Tour around town”; the old Adelaide Goal as well. The Town Hall in the City has been holding its own activities with day and some evening ones as well.

Our Church has been open on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, from 11.00am to 3.00pm for anyone to pop in and gather information on some of the Founding Fathers of 1838 arriving to this new Colony of South Australia, with their families. At the time of writing, we still have another week and a bit to go and we are hoping for some more interesting visitors; having had a nice time chatting with some so far.



On the pages 3 and 4, will be some more photos of the information displays and some interesting tit bits from visitors. It has been a most informative time for us as well, upon hearing of these snips of history.

It has been a matter of temporarily, having about 3 of our boxes from Grace Records Storage, where there is history and precious photos from early and well known people in their day. We ourselves are enjoying looking at and reading through these historical items. But apart from the copies we have made, all will be returned shortly.

SA History Month of May...cont'd



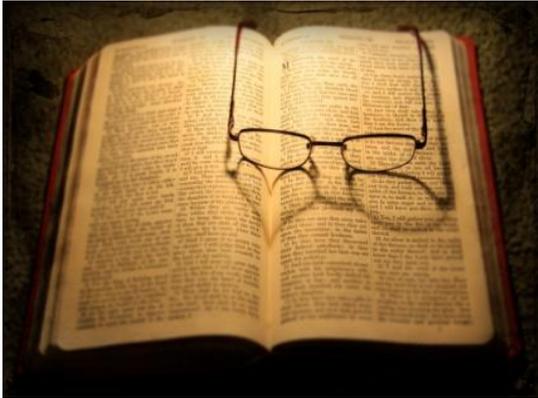
The top right hand book in the picture to the left, is called "From Hope to Here", written by Dianne Roberts, a direct descendant (granddaughter) of William Holden. Notebooks and letters from the family have been passed down to her, and more information researched over the years. Dianne and her husband, Allan, came to celebrate with us on the Opening Day, 27th April. It was very lovely to have them with us. Dianne has also researched several of the other founding families, as many of them met and married within the Church. William named the suburb of "Hope Valley" as he bought land there.

Also visiting, was Dalece, a granddaughter of Rev. TJ Deacon, who was Minister from 1909-1931, her husband, John, came with her. Dalece's married name is now Pope. The delight for Dalece to see and for her to take photos of many of her family's and other people's baptism records, with her Grandfather's signature and handwriting. The Alter and some fittings in the Church were so familiar to her and when she went to look more closely, found the little engraved sign on the side, commemorating the Ireland family. One of her Ancestors had married into the Ireland family. It was special for her. When they were looking through the historical Members Book, to her husband's delight, he discovered that both his Grandfather and Grandmother were members of the New Church – name of Pope – when they lived at Glenelg in the early days. More pics were taken of their entries, it even had the address in Glenelg that John remembered about. We were as delighted as each of them was with the records.



As visitors came into the front entrance to the Church, on the left, is the foyer for them; and another comfy place for them to sit, should they like to. Leaflets on the right visitors can take with them. A most interesting retired Gentleman visited, and after looking around and collecting leaflets to take with him, he sat down and had tea and biscuits with us in the Hall. This guy has retired from the SA Government Surveyors Department. "Ooh," I said, "you may be familiar with Goyder, of Goyder line fame." We have a book about him, which was brought across straight away for him to see. "Yes", he replied, "and his handwriting was terrible. It is always necessary to go back to original plans and surveyors in my work, and trying to decipher his handwriting was hard work." Then more fascinating, if anyone knows Adelaide at all, the well known Port Road, is the widest road in the CBD, with a wide grassed area with some parts used for parking cars; now an end of tramline with a station ends there. Apparently that was first planned for the city, to have a canal dug out and then boats would carry the goods from the ships to the city. Much easier and quicker than horse drawn carts with limit loads. Then in the mid 1800's, trains started to arrive – and Jacob Pitman, an architect and engineer as well – designed and built the first railway bridge to cross the river. The canal plan was cancelled, but the wide land is still there. Such a gem of information from our visitor Gent from the Surveyors department.

Inspirational Thoughts



“My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and my soul, which thou hast redeemed. My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long.

Psalm 71: 2,24

“When our worship of the Lord is humble and sincere we are filled with rejoicing. In such a state we love to talk of the Lord; and talking is often very useful, and very instructive. Without it, and the communion it gives us with one another, we would suffer severe loss. To talk of the Lord with our friends can be delightful indeed. But we can only talk of His righteousness “all the day long”, while we are in a state of love to Him.”

Prayer:-

O Lord, help me to hope continually, and I will praise Thee more and more, then my mouth shall show forth Thy righteousness. Amen

News from Members

Birthdays: Heather’s was on 30th April and after Church, we sang Happy Birthday to her before our shared luncheon. During May, Ruth celebrates on 26th and June on 29th, let alone relatives of each as well during May. A nice birthday month. Then on 7th June, Ken celebrates his birthday and also Ian Brock on 29th June. For Ian, it will be his 96th year; no doubt family will be celebrating. As for July, so far, all clear.

New Church Day Service

In June, we will be celebrating with another luncheon for New Church Day. At the moment, as our Church has already held the Anniversary a with the SA History Month of May, soon we will be discussing about a small commemoration for the actual Incorporation of the New Church in South Australia. As it is known, that Jacob Pitman had already been holding Church services at their home and on SS Trusty, along with William Holden and Mr Goldsack, it is unsure when/how/what else we should do. *Watch this space!* Needless to say, local members will be advised personally by Committee.



175th Anniversary and History Month



Some of the displays, two in the Hall area and one from the foyer, coming into the Church. This allows visitors to peruse the pamphlets and anything they may like to take away with them. Very interesting information from many different sources; all researched by Michael Delbridge, then photocopies produced from Officeworks or on Church equipment. Plus of course, history books and photos from the Church collection. The information on the partition boards, will remain in place, as it is just on the one side of each of the three in the Hall; and the other side is the usual blank for any division of activities on the future. There is a lot of reading and information on the 3 boards, it will take quite a while to spend time going through and choosing what to read next. Very interesting thoughts and write ups from famous people in history. Always happy to photocopy more if more copies are need. Just ask.

Service Dates for June and July 2019

June 2019

- 9th - No Service as it is a Bank Holiday weekend. -
- 16th - New Church Day Service and Shared luncheon
- 23rd - Service, Holy Supper. Shared luncheon -

July 2019

- 14th - Musical Traditional Service and Celebration
- 28th - Service, Holy Supper. Shared luncheon.

June and July 2019 Activities

Jewellery Making: This is on most Thursdays at 10.30am, during Coffee and Chat time.

Reading/Study - and discussion time: - This is being planned as a Skype group meeting, to accommodate those in different suburbs. It will be Divine Providence this time.

Computer Awareness : Will be on again, Thursday mornings from 10.30am – 12.00pm. Anyone is welcome to come and use these facilities to work, research and print.

Children are welcome, as we have facilities – Apple TV and colouring in for them and a rear garden lawn area and a childproof gate on the driveway, making it a secure play area for young ones.

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