

Olive Pesto

We Make, Learn, Laugh and Share



**Catch up again on
Saturday 8 May 10 am-12 noon**
Looking forward to meeting you in person in the sun-
ny Youth Hall at Brunswick Uniting Church
212 Sydney Road. Enter from Merri Street

**Come along with your own work, or join in with us working on
the BUC kid's "Pentecost Banner".**

What's this about?

At church camp last weekend, Tilly, one of our children, designed a banner around the theme of Pentecost. Pentecost is the festival when Christians celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is celebrated on the Sunday 50 days after Easter. It is regarded as the start of the church's mission to the world.

Firstly Tilly, Linda F and Linda W read out parts of the New Testament book of Acts (chapters 1 & 2) and decided on the key visuals to be included:

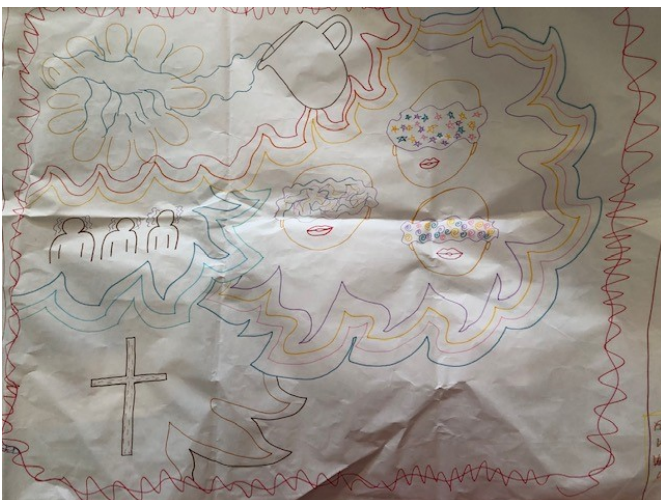
The 12 apostles (plus women and children),

The Holy Spirit like a blue fog pouring out of a huge jug,

The visitors' spinning heads when they heard about God in their own languages, wind like wildfire, Peter quoting Joel's 'dreams and visions', and the Cross.

Tilly did a SUPERB design, channelling Keith Haring, indigenous, Pop and kid's cartoon art.

The design has been transposed to a grid of squares to make a mosaic-like banner



to be displayed in the BUC Tower window 23 May.

Children and others started knitting 10x10cm squares in the Pentecost colours (red, orange, yellow) as well as green and brown, for the 'mosaic'. Some of the children learnt how to knit and started the first few rows with adults helping to complete the squares—

in good company and with musicians 'jamming' in the background. We'd love the 'Yarn Mosaic' to include work contributed by Olive Pesto participants this month. Olive Pestonians can do knitting, applique or embroidery, as the children continue to add to it during their Sunday program. Whatever you are able to contribute this Saturday 8 May would be greatly appreciated.

Art work by Mel Drury

OLIVE PESTO COVID SAFE PLAN

- ◆ If you have any COVID-like symptoms please do not attend Olive Pesto group.
- ◆ We encourage you to go and get a COVID test.
- ◆ Please do not attend if you have been in a Red Zone in the last 14 days or in contact with a known or suspected case of COVID-19
- ◆ Registration to attend is not necessary, however we will observe maximum numbers allowed in the Youth Hall.
- ◆ You will be asked to sign-in electronically. Manual sign-in will also be available.
- ◆ Please use the hand sanitiser as you enter and during the session.
- ◆ MASKS— If we cannot maintain 1.5 metres distance between each other, we will need to wear masks.
- ◆ Doors and windows will be left open for ventilation (subject to weather conditions).
- ◆ All frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned before and after the session. Members are encouraged to assist by wiping the chair /table they have used.
- ◆ Servers will offer tea and coffee in a safe manner.

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World Wide Knit in Public Day

Saturday 12 June 2021
Time: 11.00 am—4.30 pm

Theme “Dare to Dream”

Location: Brunswick Uniting Church Hall
212-214 Sydney Road, Brunswick
Enter the bluestone Hall from Sydney Road

Public Transport—Tram route: No. 19 Stop 21
Train: Upfield line to Jewell Station then a short walk North

PROGRAM

11.00 am doors open

Tea & coffee available throughout the day
Knit and natter with old and new friends

Buffet lunch served from 12.15 pm

Soups and bread rolls—COVIDSafe procedures
No Charge. GF and Vegetarian options available

1.00 pm KOGO Speaker in main auditorium
(church)

Continue to knit and natter

Wind-up by 4.30 pm

Brunswick Uniting WWKIP Day supports KOGO with handmade donated goods, including items made on the day and other knitted items people wish to donate.



A Message to our Knitters

If you are wondering what to knit, we would really appreciate...

- single bed blankets
- fingerless gloves
- KOGO would appreciate knits in Indigenous colours of red, yellow, black. We would love to distribute these items for the NAIDOC Week celebrations from 4-11 July 2021.



If we are sitting, we are knitting!

Warm regards,
The KOGO Team



Leanne and Natalie delivering Olive Pesto knitted items to KOGO last week

How might a handcrafted Shawl bring comfort as well as warmth?

More than 20 years ago, some women in Connecticut, U.S.A. were inspired by teachings in Feminist Spirituality to begin a venture they call ‘Prayer Shawls’.

Care and the love of knitting and crochet are combined into acts of compassion that reach out to those in need of comfort and solace. The knitters begin each project with a prayer, or an intention, for the recipient.

Throughout the creation of the shawl, the maker remains mindfully aware of the love and care they are extending, even though they may not know who will receive the shawl. When the shawl is completed it is offered with a blessing before being sent on its way. Thus the blessing is rippled from person to person.

The giver and the receiver feels the embrace of sheltering love.

We are hoping to have a guest at our 10 July Olive Pesto session to introduce us further to how such a ministry project has benefited people in our own State of Victoria. More details in the June Newsletter.

