***Synod of Victoria and Tasmania***

**LAY PREACHERS’ CONFERENCE**

**2016**

**Friday, April 15, Saturday, April 16**

**Centre for Theology and Ministry— 29 College Crescent Parkville**

**OPENING WORSHIP** **7 pm April 15** *– led by Rev. Joan Fisher, Rev. Margaret Blair, Preacher and installation of new President by Moderator Dan Wootton*

**SPEAKERS**

 **Rev. Joan Fisher –** Retired UCA minister and recent Ecumenical Accompaniment program in Palestine and Israel participant considering *‘The Holy Land – ancient stones & living stones.’*

 **Avril Hannah Jones**  - Currently minister at Williamstown UCA, Avril will speak on ‘*Using your passions in worship’.*

 **Cheryl Lawrie -** Accredited Youth Worker with Synod of Victoria and Tasmania

 **Jill Ruzbacky –** Social Justice Officer with Synod Justice and International Mission unit.

**Who may attend?** Lay preachers, candidates, other worship leaders and interested people

**Cost $28**, to be paid in cash or cheque on the day; includes lunch and refreshments

**Venue**  The Centre for Theology and Ministry is in College Crescent, Parkville, across from the gate to the Melbourne Cemetery.

**Parking** There is metered street parking nearby

**Annual General Meeting** The Annual General Meeting of the Lay Preachers' Association of Victoria and Tasmania will follow the conference programme, from 3.00 to 4.00pm. All Lay Preachers may vote; others are welcome to attend the meeting. The agenda includes the election of the Association's
office-bearers for 2016. Nominations may be submitted only by Lay Preachers, on the form provided.

**Friday April 15,**

7:00 pm ***Conference opening worship***

8:15 pm *Session 1* Rev. Joan Fisher

**Saturday, April 16**

9:00 am *Registration*

 9:30 am *Morning worship & welcome*

9:45 am *Session 2*  Avril Hannah-Jones

11:00 am *Morning tea*

11:30 am *Session 3* Cheryl Lawrie

12:45 pm *Lunch*

1:15 pm *Session 4* Jill Ruzbacky

2:30 pm *Break*

3:00 pm *Annual General Meeting*

4:00 pm *Closing*

**SYNOD OF VICTORIA AND TASMANIA**

**LAY PREACHERS’ ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE 15 – 16 April, 2016**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**NAME** . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

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**CONFERENCE COSTS PER PERSON** $ 28

 Refreshments and lunch included in registration

**Payment – *please pay at the conference on Saturday.* Cheques (Synod of VicTas Lay Preachers'****Association) or correct money, as change not necessarily available**

**SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS** . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

**Please return the registration form to the Secretary, Sec. Synod LP Assoc**

***before Thursday 7 April, 2016* c/- 3 Chifley Street**

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**NOMINATIONS FORM LPA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 2016**

[Please use a separate form for each person you nominate]

*We nominate* **NAME**…………………………………………………………………………………………..

 **ADDRESS**…………………………………………………………………………………………

 **PHONE** ………………….. **EMAIL** …………………………………….

*for the position of..................................................................................................*

 Secretary

 Treasurer

 Editor of *Witness*

 Member of National Lay Preachers' Committee (one vacancy)

Signed …………………………...... ….. nominator ……………………………….. seconder

Print Name …………………………….. ………………………………..

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