

## Welcome to Elanora Uniting Church

Be the change that you wish to see in the world.”

— Mahatma Gandhi

### Changes and Fears

When my parents started work, they expected to do the same job all their lives, or to make one change perhaps. My Father-in-Law was a cheese-maker. When he came back from World War I, the demand was for truck drivers, so that's what he changed to and did for the rest of his life. But he would not have done this without the effects of the war.

I changed jobs four times in my life, every time with some considerable trepidation, because each job was a step into a role I had never had before. And the fears beset me: 'Can I really do this new job?' 'Will my co-workers/staff accept me?' 'I was secure in my old job. Why on earth did I change?'

Most of my problems boiled down to fear, because I had been secure in my previous job and I was insecure in my new one...because it all involved change (which I might not like). As I write this, my son is involved in a job change and I think he is not looking forward to doing a new job in a new location with people who might not be happy at having to settle into a new co-worker.

But we need to remember that everything that God has walked us through in our previous existence has prepared us for what we will now do. Our worst enemy is fear of uncertainty, and reflecting on God's loving presence in our lives combats such an enemy.

We, and Rev. Catherine, are all part of God's family at Elanora and we are here because God led us here or put us here. We know He loves us and we know we love Him...sounds pretty good to me,.

Blessings Pastor Kingsley Neale



## Leisuretime AGM....

Will be held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 9.00am in the meeting room

## Other dates to remember.....

- ❖ Church Council Meeting – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February
- ❖ Induction Service for Rev Catherine Solomon – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7.00pm
- ❖ Leisuretime resumes on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January
- ❖ Prayer group meets every Thursday 8:30 am in the church all welcome.

*If you need a ride to the Induction service on 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm or if you can pick someone up please see Walter Evans who is co-ordinating this and has a list for you to put your name down.*



**A big THANK YOU to everyone here at Elanora who do so much to make it such a special place to worship our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**If you would like to help in any way e.g. greeter, morning tea etc please speak to a member of the church council who will introduce you to the correct person**

