

COMMUNITY FORMATION

Community Lunches

Join us on Monday and Tuesday for our Community Lunches. Sit next to someone you don't know!

TUESDAY CHAPEL

Why not stop, pause and think for one hour on Tuesday and join us for worship and sharing in Chapel. What helps you worship God?

Selah
stop | pause | think

Do you know much about Mike Crudge? come and hear what helps him worship God and in the process expand your understanding of what worship is.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER

Let's pray for one-another this Wednesday. Led by Kathryn Heard.

OPEN DAY IS COMING UP TUESDAY 3RD OCTOBER.

Know of a friend who would benefit from study at Carey? Invite them along!



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TUE 3 OCT
8am-3pm

STUDYING AT CAREY HAS BEEN AN EXCITING, CHALLENGING AND TRANSFORMATIVE JOURNEY. EXCITING BECAUSE THE COURSES OFFERED ARE REFRESHING AND STIMULATING, BUT AT THE SAME TIME VERY CHALLENGING.

CAREY THEOLOGICAL APPLIED
open day

Happy Birthday Rachel

This week was our wedding anniversary, 37 years, and our daughter Rachel's birthday, 32 years. We have 4 children, but it seems appropriate that Rachel's is the birthday that overshadows the anniversary each year. This year it is a Moana themed party at her flat; food, music, dancing, flat mates, friends, family and support workers. Rachel is the one who is different; epilepsy, developmental delay, strong willed, funny, sociable, exasperating and demanding.

I judge myself by how I am coping with Rachel. How am I treating Rachel? Am I enjoying her or enduring? Rachel is how I see society. How do people respond to her? Do they see Rachel as a person or a problem, a gift or a liability? Is society a safe place for Rachel and her friends, or is it increasingly

complex, harder to navigate for those who are a bit slower. What value does society place on Rachel?

It appears to me that today society asks people to prove they are "up to it", can they cope, can they contribute. For me, Jesus demonstrates a way of living that creates a society where all people are enabled to contribute, where all gifts are appreciated, where caring is a contribution.

In the near future, will the Rachel's be born? In the near future, will her old age be threatened by assisted dying? I read a lot about these issues and it is disquieting. It is disheartening to me that the church is often silent on many of these issues.

Carol Fearon | Librarian

