Introducing the Co-ordinator of St Jude's Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Scheme!

The Community Visitors Scheme (CVS) which has operated within St Jude's Anglican Church since 1991 is about to take on a new identity – the Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Scheme (ACVVS). The role of our visitors in building friendships with socially-isolated older people at home and in residential care, and our vital relationships with aged care providers, will not change. But there will be some new developments in areas like branding of the Scheme, volunteer training, and various aspects of administration.



To guide St Jude's ACVVS through this important phase in its history, a new Co-ordinator has been appointed, starting on July 1st. **Karen Field** comes with wide and rich experience in aged services and volunteer support, bringing with her the networks she has nurtured in this field over many years in local, country and remote environments.

"I count myself very lucky to have met and worked alongside some truly remarkable people, and to have engaged with communities in such diverse areas", Karen says.

"On a more personal note, I am married to husband Gary, and we are looking forward to a very important anniversary in October 2024. We are parents to three adult children and are blessed to have six wonderful grandchildren. We are also excitedly awaiting a new little arrival in the middle of this year.

Gary and I love living in the friendly Hallett Cove community, and are frequently out and about walking our dog, Skuda.

I am a supporter of one of South Australia's AFL teams and enjoy going to their games whenever the opportunity arises.

I love to read and am a regular visitor to the local library, enjoy regular Aquafit classes, and relish participating in some regular volunteer and community activities."

Karen is looking forward to meeting and getting to know the St Jude's volunteers, participants and Lifestyle Co-ordinators. We welcome her, and wish her every success contributing to this invaluable program!

Lange Powell

Co-ordinator, St Jude's Community Visitors Scheme (up until June 30th)