

Media Release

Local churches to observe Transgender Day of Remembrance



Local churches are being encouraged to observe the annual Transgender Day of Remembrance.

"On 20 November each year the annual Transgender Day of Remembrance recognises those who have been killed due to ignorance and hatred, targeted because they were trans or gender non-confirming," said the Pitt Street Minister, the Revd Dr Josephine Inkpin.

Dr Inkpin said that the Gospel message of 'life in all its fullness' was not being offered to trans and other gender diverse people.

"All too often trans people remain invisible in society and the church. This needs to change urgently. It is, literally, a matter of life and death for trans and gender non-conforming people", Dr Inkpin said.

Pitt Street has prepared a booklet of worship resources, which is useful if people want to learn more and think about future liturgies to raise awareness about transgender communities (<u>liturgy and other resources</u>). A wide range of resources are available at Dr Inkpin's website https://www.transspirit.org/ Dr Inkpin's sermon for the 2022 Day of Remembrance is at https://www.penandinkreflections.org/blog/on-dragonflies-drawing-flame-for-the-trans-day-of-remembrance

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