

Uniting Church National Historical Society



CALL FOR PAPERS

2nd Biennial History Conference, Melbourne

FINDING A HOME IN THE UNITING CHURCH

At the Centre for Theology and Ministry

29 College Crescent, Parkville, Victoria 3052.

7-10 June 2019

Keynote Speakers:

Dr Meredith Lake, Host of ABC Radio's *Soul Search* programme, Honorary Associate of the Department of History, Sydney University, and author of the 2018 Australian Christian Book of the Year, *The Bible in Australia: A Cultural History*.

Dr Joanna Cruickshank, Senior Lecturer in History at Deakin University, author of *Pain, Passion and Faith: Revisiting the Place of Charles Wesley in Early Methodism* and editor of *The Journal of Religious History*

What does it mean to belong to the Uniting Church? Many grew up Congregationalist, Methodist or Presbyterian. Others have grown up in the Uniting Church. Some have only ever known the Uniting Church as their spiritual home and others have transferred in from other denominations. What does it mean to find a home in a church that describes itself as Evangelical and Reformed and is at the same time committed to theological diversity? Papers are invited on this theme and on any other topic related to the history of the Uniting Church or its precedent churches. Conference papers will be 20 minutes long with 10 minutes following for questions and discussion. We also invite short presentations on *Photographs and Artefacts that Speak a Thousand Words*—10 minutes on a single image or object that opens up the Conference theme with five minutes of discussion following.

Please send paper proposals of no more than 300 words in length to

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Registration details will appear soon.