



# St. John's Anglican Church Albany Consecrated 1848.

Sunday 31st May 2026  
Trinity Sunday



## Sentence of the Day

**Proclaim the Name: 'The Lord, the Lord, a God who is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.'**

**Exodus 34.6**

## Collect

**Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, for you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Week

**Grant, O Lord, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Today's Readings

### *1st Reading Exodus 34.1-8*

<sup>1</sup> The Lord said to Moses, 'Cut two tablets of stone like the former ones, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the former tablets, which you broke.

<sup>2</sup> Be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai and present yourself there to me, on the top of the mountain.

<sup>3</sup> No one shall come up with you, and do not let anyone be seen throughout all the mountain; and do not let flocks or herds graze in front of that mountain.'

<sup>4</sup> So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the former ones; and he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tablets of stone.

<sup>5</sup> The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name, 'The Lord.'

<sup>6</sup> The Lord passed before him, and proclaimed,

'The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,

<sup>7</sup> keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin,

yet by no means clearing the guilty, but visiting the iniquity of the parents

upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.'

<sup>8</sup> And Moses quickly bowed his head towards the earth, and worshipped.

### *2nd Reading 2 Corinthians 13.11-14*

<sup>11</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. <sup>12</sup> Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. <sup>13</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

### *Gospel Reading Matthew 28.16-20*

<sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

*The Psalm for today is Song of Three Young Men 29-34*

Blessed are you, the God of our forebears:  
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed is your holy and glorious name:  
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you, glorious in your holy temple:  
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you who behold the depths:  
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom:  
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you in the heights of heaven:  
worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

*Next Sunday's Readings*

<i>1st Reading</i>	<i>Genesis 12.1-9</i>	<i>P10</i>
<i>2nd Reading</i>	<i>Romans 4.13-25</i>	<i>P147</i>
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	<i>Matthew 9.9-13; 9.18-26</i>	<i>P08</i>

**HYMNS – EUCHARIST SETTING  
DUDMAN TIS 756**

	8am	9:30am
Introit		132
Gradual	609	609
Offertory	155	155
Recessional	133	133

**Children's Church is available at our 9:30am service. This week's Children's Talk is 'Who Needs a Doctor?'**

**A WARM WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS** - All are welcome at the Lord's table. Baptised, communicant members of all Christian denominations, are very welcome to receive Holy Communion and any person welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come to the altar rail and wish to receive the Sacrament in your pew, please speak to a sides person.

We respectfully acknowledge the Menang Noongar people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship and minister, and pay respect to elders past and present.

Hello Dear Friends

I pray you are all well. A new month is almost here with a new season and the joy of a long weekend of excitement here in Albany for all car enthusiasts. It's also lovely for us to worship together and celebrate Trinity with a combined Saturday service followed by fellowship and food.

We have wonderful readings this week.

Our sentence for Trinity gives us the instruction to proclaim the name of the Lord. We pray to be kept steadfast in faith. Our reading from Exodus describes the renewing of the tablets of the Lord, the name of the Lord proclaimed, and the instruction given to Moses.

We read part of the Song of the Three where Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego (Hebrew names Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah) are heard blessing the name of the Lord, indeed proclaiming it whilst being protected from the flames of a fiery furnace - thrown in there by Nebuchadnezzar II, King of Babylon for refusing to bow to the king's image. The three are preserved from harm and the king sees four men walking in the flames, "the fourth ... like the Son of God".

We hear the end of Paul's second letter to the Corinthians, full of salutation and blessing. We hear the end of Matthew's Gospel and Jesus' great commission for the disciples and us - Go!!! make disciples, go Baptise, go tell - go into community!!!!

There's the story of a farmer who went to a city. As he was walking down a busy street he suddenly stopped and said to a friend who was with him, 'I can hear a cricket' . His friend was amazed and asked, 'How can you hear a cricket in the midst of all this noise?'

'Because my ears are attuned to his sound' ,the farmer replied.

Then he listened even more intently, and following the sound, found the cricket perched on a window ledge. His friend

couldn't get over this. But the farmer showed no surprise. Instead, he took a few coins out of his pocket and threw them on the pavement. On hearing the jingle of coins, those passing by stopped in their tracks.

'You see what I mean' ,said the farmer. 'None of those people could hear the sound of the cricket, but all of them could hear the sound of the money. People hear what their ears are attuned to hear and are deaf to all the rest'.

The point being made here is: All could be tuned in to God if all took a little trouble. Voltaire said: 'It is natural to admit the existence of God as soon as one opens one's eyes' .And Abraham Lincoln said, 'I can see how it might be possible for the man to look down upon the earth and be an atheist, but I cannot conceive how he could look up into the heavens and say there is no God'.

At the sight of something or other, a person will know in an instant that these things do not exist by themselves: and that God is the originator of them. For example: just as a house implies a builder: a dress implies a dressmaker, and a door a carpenter, so the world proclaims God, as it's Creator.

When we look at a work of art it is impossible not to think of the artist. To look on the created world and not see the Creator, is to ignore the meaning of the whole of creation and of ourselves. Yet sadly many look and see nothing. They listen and hear nothing. Jesus spoke about God as a merciful and forgiving Father. He spoke about himself as the Son of the Father. And he sent the Holy Spirit to us to help us live as his disciples and as the children of God. In this we come to see that the God that we worship: Almighty God, can be experienced in our lives as three persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit: and yet he is only the one God.

We are dealing with a great mystery here. Yet any child can grasp it in such a way as to be able to pray and live it. We think of God as our Father: a Father who loves us

deeply. We think of Jesus as our brother who gave his life for us. And we think of the Holy Spirit as a friend who helps us to live like Jesus, and who binds us together as brothers and sisters in a community of faith and love. As Christians, this is the atmosphere in which we live, and move, and have our being. Our challenge today from the scriptures then, is that we try to be more tuned into God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit, than we are to the ways

of the world. For then, not only will we hear God when God speaks to us, but we will come to know God more intimately in our lives and so grow more and more into the person that God created us to be.

Blessings

Karen

**Prayers for:**

**Religious Orders Serving within The Anglican Church of Australia** - The Order of Saint Benedict, The Society of the Sacred Mission, The Society of Saint Francis (First Order), The Society of Saint Francis (Third Order), The Little Brothers of Francis, The Society of the Sacred Advent, The Community of the Holy Name, The Community of Sisters of the Church, The Community of Christ the King, The Sisters of the Incarnation, The Community of Saint Barnabas and Saint Cecilia, Oratory of the Good Shepherd and The Society of the Holy Cross.

**Please pray for:**

- \* The renewal of the religious life in Australia.
- \* Vocations to Religious Orders.
- \* Vocations to the Priesthood.
- \* The establishment of religious houses within the Diocese.

**The National Council of Churches -**  
President - Bishop Philip Huggins and  
General Secretary - Liz Stone.

**For the World:**

- \* **Better facilities in our Hospital and Health Care System.**
- \* **For conflict for political gain and warfare between nations and people.**
- \* **More spiritual, ethnic and cultural tolerance between people.**
- \* **For all students who are joining colleges and universities this year.**

**Anglican Church of Kenya - Diocese of Kapsabet.**

**Clergy on Secondment.**

**Please pray** that the Lord would allow our church to cultivate fruitful gospel partnerships for the spread of the gospel. Also, encourage more of our members to involve themselves in international missions, either short-term or long-term.

**Diocesan Ministry** - All schools sponsored by the diocese and chaplains in those schools. Pray for the learners that they may experience the love of God through the services rendered to them by the Chaplains and teachers.

**Sunday May 31st (Changes to Service Times)**

**The Round the Houses Car Rally** will be held on Sunday May 31st resulting in road closures.

**Our Sunday Services will therefore be moving to a combined congregation service on **Saturday 30th May at 2.00pm** followed by Sausage Sizzle, Tea/Coffee, biscuits and fellowship.**

**Mission of The Month for May is Boniface Care**

"Boniface Care" is the outward expression of our call as Anglicans to meet human need through loving service. In our diocese, through our network of 32 Parishes in the Southwest and Great Southern, we seek to lovingly serve the needs of people within our Communities, by meeting them where they are, forming a relationship with them and providing them with the resources they need to improve their quality of life, or simply to assist them to overcome a particular hurdle they are facing at that time in their life.

**Boniface Care funding helps provide the following services throughout the Diocese:**

- On a weekly basis food is distributed to those in need, either by way of prepared meals (casseroles), food hampers, bread, fresh fruit and vegetables.
  - Soup kitchens to feed just short of 300 people per week.
  - Financial assistance is provided via assistance with bill payments or the provision of food vouchers.
  - Financial Counselling with the assistance of Anglicare WA.
- There are currently over 400 registered volunteers assisting in these ministries making an enormous contribution to the life of their Community by assisting others to improve their quality of life, and feel loved and appreciated as well.

For further detail on the services provided by Boniface Care please go to <https://www.bunburyanglican.org/boniface-care>

**Mothers Union Monthly Prayer**

**Our Father, Thy kingdom come, on earth as it is in heaven. Let us make a heaven here on earth, for all, acting as Your hands and feet, ensuring that the world is a place of plenty for all, safe for all, loving for all, comfort for all. Let Your wondrous earth be a place where all can not just grow, but flourish and become everything Your wish them to be. Amen.**



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA  
THE DIOCESE OF BUNBURY

**PEW SHEET/ PARISH NOTICE**

Bishop Ian will be retiring and "Laying up his staff" on 29<sup>th</sup> August this year. Consequently, the Bishopric Nomination Committee has begun its work searching for a new Bishop. Parishes and Individuals are encouraged to submit the name of possible candidates in writing or by email to any member of the Committee or directly to the Diocesan Secretary, Jenny Duncan, at [secretary@bunbury.org.au](mailto:secretary@bunbury.org.au). The person's name, their contact details, and a brief comment on why this person should be considered as bishop should be included.

Any Anglican Priest or Bishop (women and men) in good standing in the Anglican Communion are eligible for consideration. The deadline for submissions is 14<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

During this time, you may care to use the following prayer:

*Eternal God, shepherd and guide,  
in your mercy give your church in this Diocese a shepherd after your own heart who will  
walk in your ways,  
and with loving care watch over your people.  
Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth.  
So may your Church be built up and your name glorified;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

(APBA 1995, p211, #35)



Let's stand together to create healthy relationships and a community where everyone feels respected and safe



**Standing Together** is an Anglicare WA initiative offering free one-hour presentations on the signs and drivers of family & domestic violence and how as a community we can work together to prevent it.

## Parish & Community Presentations: **Wed 8 July**

We can all support the prevention of family and domestic violence whether or not we are likely to experience violence in our own lives.

Facilitated by Anglicare WA, the Standing Together presentation provides an opportunity to grow a shared awareness and understanding of family and domestic violence, what drives its prevalence and how as a community we can participate in its prevention.

**When:** Wednesday 8 July, 1.30pm

**Where:** Dorothy Wood Hall, St Johns Anglican Church York Street, Albany

**Who can attend:** Welcoming all local community members (Over 18 years)

The Great Southern Women's Convention is a special day of gathering together to explore the truth of God's Word through Bible teaching, respond to Him in worship, and encourage one another in living for Jesus.

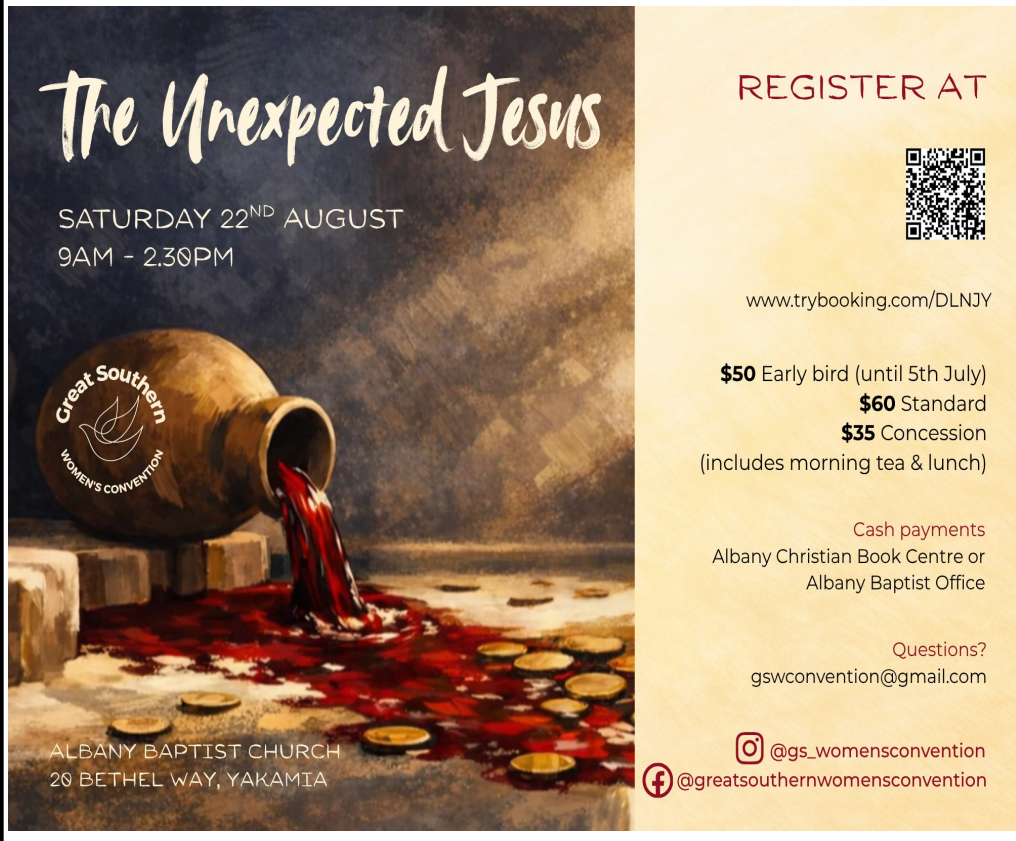
**Saturday 22 August 2026** is only a few months away and registrations are open! Tickets can be purchased online through <https://www.trybooking.com/DLJNY> or directly from Albany Christian Book Centre or Albany Baptist office (exact cash payments only).

Earlybird tickets - \$50 (closing date 5th July).  
Standard tickets - \$60  
Student/Health Care Card tickets - \$35

For further updates and GSWC news, please follow us on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) — and feel free to like, follow, and share our posts to help spread the word!

Your sisters in Christ,

*The Great Southern Women's Convention Committee*




The Unexpected Jesus

SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST  
9AM - 2.30PM

Great Southern Women's Convention

ALBANY BAPTIST CHURCH  
28 BETHEL WAY, YAKAMIA

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\$50 Early bird (until 5th July)  
\$60 Standard  
\$35 Concession  
(includes morning tea & lunch)

Cash payments  
Albany Christian Book Centre or  
Albany Baptist Office

Questions?  
[gswconvention@gmail.com](mailto:gswconvention@gmail.com)

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## WA DAY Public Holiday (Monday 1st June Closures and Cancellations at St. John's).

Office, Op Shop, ER, Marthas and Prepare for Worship Meeting.

### NOTICES

#### Upcoming Meetings and Events

**Communications Meeting** - Tues. 2nd June at 4pm via Zoom.

**Ladies Fellowship Meeting** - Fri. 5th June at 9.30am. Venue - Lynn Highman's at 70 Morgan Road Mckail. Phone 9841 5179. Topic - DVD.

**June Parish Council Reports** due to Parish Administrator by 5pm Wed., 10th June via email please. Please note this is a full reporting month.

**Finance Committee Meeting** - Thurs. 11th June at 10am via Zoom.

**Thursday at 3** – you are warmly invited to join others in exploring, living and sharing our faith at 3 pm on Thursday in the Dorothy Wood Hall. Discovery guides will be available, as will light refreshments. For any queries please see Revd. Karen, Jenny Taylor, Amanda Greenhow or Yvette Elms.

**The funeral service for Cathryne Brooks** will held at Bethany Funeral Home on Friday 12th June at 11am.

**Bicentennial Fete Reminder** - October or November are months away but wont take long to get there. Now is the season to start making jams, pickles, etc for our Bicentennial fete, with most fruits ready for picking. Thank you all in advance. Mike T.

**2026 Lectionaries** - 1 left. Available from the office for \$12.50.

**Emergency Relief** - Hi everyone Thanks for your previous donations which we very much appreciated. We urgently require the following items:

- \* Egg cartons
- \* 1 litre full cream long life milk.
- \* 1kg plain or self-raising flour.
- \* 1kg white rice.

Thank you and best wishes from the ER team.

**Ministry opportunities** - The Church cleaning team and Op Shop are looking for extra volunteers to join them. Please contact our Op Shop Manager, Wardens or Revd. Karen.

**Church Watch** Fridays from 11am-2pm. If anyone is interested in assisting with this ministry please speak to Revd. Karen or one of our Wardens

**Prayer Chain** - A parish prayer chain has been re-established. If you have prayer requests please contact Revd. Karen (0434 702 343), who will communicate with other members of the team. Prayer requests will not be discussed by prayer chain members and will be kept in confidence. If you wish for prayers to continue for more than one week, please contact Rev. Karen again. The importance and power of prayer is intrinsic in our faith.

Prayer is an act of worship that glorifies God and reinforces our need for God. "Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7 (NRSV).

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER - NOW HELD ON TUESDAYS - As of the Tuesday, 2nd June**, the contemplative prayer service held in the Lady Chapel will now revert back to being held every **Tuesday at 11am**. The format is flexible, but follows The Rhythm of Life: Celtic Daily Prayer by David Adam and includes a time of silent prayer, up to 20 minutes for regulars. The service is chosen as a result of discussion about matters on the hearts of those attending, and the contemplation based on a mantra taken from the psalm. The service usually takes less than an hour. The books are supplied, and contemplative time can be modified for those new to this form of prayer. You are most welcome to come and try a new experience! Cherry O'Donnell.

## Shoe Box Project Update – May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Dear Parishioners, I am pleased to advise that an important meeting will be conducted in the **Dorothy Wood Hall on Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> June.**

The WA Area Manager, AJ Joubert, will be coming to advise us on the necessary changes and conditions of the **Operation Christmas Child Project for 2026.**

**This meeting will be for all Churches and organisations in Albany and the Great Southern Regional Area. We will be hosting at St John's Church as a central location. The meeting will commence at 5pm, in the hope of giving access to people who work in the daytime and find it difficult to attend meetings at earlier times.**

It is great to have all this new information given to us firsthand, as AJ has just returned from an important meeting in Sydney with all the changes and procedures that have been decided for Australia and New Zealand.

As we all know, the current financial situation is very difficult for many people, so any new efficiency that can be made to ensure this important Christian project can continue, has got to be the right way to go. Hopefully we can also attract some younger members to take on some of the necessary roles.

**Since we are hosting the meeting,** it would be great if we could have a number of our own parishioners attending this meeting.

Many thanks to the many people that have already contributed to this year's postage and goods purchase, we are going very well and many boxes are still available for anyone wishing to fill their own. The new 2026 leaflets and collection details will become available when AJ comes to conduct the meeting. However, I do have last years leaflets with information already available in the boxes.

Yours with many thanks and prayers for a good meeting.

Ethel Halliday – OCC Representative.  
May 20<sup>th</sup> 2026

**Anglicare WA** are reaching out for donations to their upcoming **Giving Day on June 3.** From now until June 3, **every donation made will be matched**, meaning it will be **doubled in impact** thanks to a group of generous supporters. It's a simple but powerful way for people to make their giving go further. Funds raised will support individuals and families across Western Australia who are facing financial hardship, housing stress, and other challenges, providing practical assistance, care, and pathways to a more stable future.

Following is the link for making a donation <https://give.anglicarewa.org.au/>

### PEACE OF MIND

Regardless of age, an enduring power of attorney (EPA), an enduring power of guardianship (EPG) and an advanced health directive (AHD) can be accessed at <https://www.wa.gov.au/service/justice/civil-law/enduring-power-of-attorney> and are recommended to be in place to provide peace of mind to our families. Do you have a will?

**AND FUNERALS** - Information to assist you make your wishes known re funeral arrangements can be accessed via the Parish Office. The completed information is for your family and/or support persons to ensure your wishes are carried out.

### Direct Giving via Electronic Banking -

Thanks again to those who are continuing to support the church in one form or another. Could I please ask that those that are electronically transferring money to the church follow the following instructions.

**Ordinary Direct giving - quote the word "Donation" in the reference section and deposit into Anglican Community Fund.**  
**BSB: 706-001**  
**Acc: 3000 3081**

**Mission giving should be deposited into the Parish Holding Account using the word "Mission" as a reference.**

**Banking details are:**  
**BSB: 706-001**  
**Acc: 3000 8763**

## Services at St John's.

We have implemented live streaming of services on Facebook - If you use Facebook please "like" the following pages Anglican Parish of Albany and Anglican Parish Albany Service Stream for live services or recordings. We will also put a link on the website [www.anglicanchurchalbany.org.au](http://www.anglicanchurchalbany.org.au) so you can watch the recordings.

### Normal Worship times:

**Sunday 8:00am**

**Sunday 9.30am**

**Sunday 7.00pm**

**Tuesday 12.30 pm**

**Monday - Friday**

**Sung Eucharist with Hymns**

**Live streamed sung Eucharist with Hymns**

**Live Streamed Compline**

**Eucharist**

**Morning and Evening Prayer live streamed at 8am and 5pm.**

**The next Order of St Luke Healing Service will be held on Thursday 11th of June at 9.30am in the Lady Chapel.**

## CONTACT DETAILS

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Rachel Matthews – 9841 5015

Parish Office Volunteer: Amy Mengler and Kate Britton.

Office Hours – Mon - Thurs 9am to 12pm and Fri 9am –5pm.

### Op Shop:

**Manager** - Ann Robinson

Trading Hrs are 10am-2pm Mon-Fri.

### Director of Professional Standards:

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### Mandatory Reporting Service:

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