

Lent 1

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Psalms 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11



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**If you are new or visiting Adelaide West Uniting Church
we are pleased you are here.**

This week we begin our Lenten journey. Today we read of Jesus' temptation in the wilderness by the devil (Matthew 4:1-11). There are many understandings of the devil in scripture. One of the translations from the Greek is simply the act of throwing something across someone's path. In Matthew 4 we can see how Jesus turned what was thrown across his path into an affirmation of his relationship with God. Every year Lent is thrown across our path! What will we choose to do with it? Lent can give us a structure where we can focus on the journey of Jesus to Jerusalem. It gives us an opportunity to change what we do or think. Will you give up something and add something for Lent? Let us receive Lent as a gift and discover the enriched life that comes from journeying with God's Spirit.

Rod Dyson | AWUC Lead Minister

Tonight at the 5pm service we are looking to Philippians 2:12-30 to instruct us about (re)discovering Joy in Temptation. Paul is writing to a church who have been tempted to lose sight of Jesus and tempted to give up on their mission because it's all getting too hard. The Philippians are falling into grumbling and complaining - they're letting their pride become an entry point for the enemy. Psalm 51 says "create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me", and that's what Paul is asking them, and us to do. To fix our eyes on Jesus through obedience to God and let Him transform us from the inside out.

**Lauren Andris | AWUC Young Adult
Ministry**

Sunday Worship times:

creative traditional 9.15am

family worship 10.45am

youth & young adults 5.00pm



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Welcome to Worship,

This week in our Seahorses (Kindy) we are looking at "Through the roof". Our Mussels (junior primary), Dolphins (middle primary) and Orcas (upper primary) are looking at "Jesus heals the official's son" from John 4: 46 - 54.

KCO forms are now overdue!! And the early-bird rate has closed.

I am still accepting forms until next Sunday at the very latest, but these will incur an additional fee. Payment is also required as soon as possible please. For Direct deposits our details are:

Adelaide West Uniting Church

BSB 805-007 Account number 007 03475

Please include your surname and KCO Payments for reference.

Our theme this year is **BIG World**. It is going to be a great weekend of discovering more about our world.

We would really appreciate help with the cost of the bus and also monetary donations towards the food. Envelopes are available in the foyer. Money is great as that allows our cooks to do all the shopping and know exactly what they have. We will once again have a prayer vigil and the chart for that will be on the notice board really soon.

Thanks to everyone for their valued on going support of this major children's ministry event.

Blessings, Lorraine.

Children and Families Pastor.

A place to belong, learn to believe in & become like Jesus

2017 Community Fair initial planning meeting.

Anyone interested in helping plan and prepare for the 2017 AWUC Community Fair is invited to an initial meeting in the AWUC Chapel at **6pm on Tuesday 21st March**.

This is a great chance to confirm your commitment, present new ideas, or just show support for the event.

It is proposed the event will be held on **Saturday 21st October** with the suggestion it change from a morning to an afternoon/twilight event.

Last year we all had a ball, let's make this one even better. For more information please talk to any of the AWUC staff.

Decommissioning Service - Uniting College Chapel

On Tuesday 7 March the Chapel of Reconciliation situated on the Brooklyn Park campus will be decommissioned, or re-purposed. With the Brooklyn Park refurbishments approaching, the Chapel's decommissioning as a place of worship needs to happen before work begins.

AWUC Evening Fellowship will meet on **Wednesday 8th March at 7.30pm**. Our speaker will be Janet Woodward, Secretary of Uniting Church Fellowships and Frontier Services.

If you consider yourself a **leader of a small group/connect group** or are interested in becoming one in the church community at AWUC then please come on **Thursday 9th March** to a coffee and dessert evening 7.30 pm at AWUC. This is an opportunity to support you in your role and give an overview of how we hope our groups will provide a valuable place of connection, hospitality and pastoral care to each other in 2017. Please let me know if you can come by email to connect groups@awuc.org or ring **Dorothy Crosby** on 0434891558.

Volunteers urgently needed.

Thanks to the small band of volunteer bus drivers, on average 14 people are able to attend worship at AWUC every Sunday who without this service would struggle to get here.

We still require a couple of additional drivers to help ease the load on this roster.

At this stage on the 26th March we have no drivers available. A training run is required and a current UCA police check and drivers declaration form is also needed. It would be really sad if we have to cancel the bus on this day.

2017 Christian Women's Convention - CWCI

Speaker: Jewel Evens—ministering in Senegal at present

Subject: Let's Celebrate

When: 17—18 March

Where: Westminster School, Alison Avenue, Marion.

For more information there is a brochure on the blue notice board or contact Betty Rowe: 8235 9654.



ENGAGE YOUTH!

REVOLUTION | 2017 Registrations are now open!

Rev's camp is for youth in years 7-12 who are keen to get to know Jesus, grow deeper in their faith and have a whole lot fun doing it!

When: 21 April - 24 April

Where: Adare Camp and Caravan Park (Bus pickup and drop off from Adelaide West Uniting Church)

More details and pack sheets still to come!

Go to <http://buytickets.at/engageyouth>. \$130 if you enter the discount code EARLYBIRD17 before APRIL 1, \$140 after April 1..

Engage Youth is Going Swimming!

On Friday the 10th of March 2017, Engage Youth will be heading to the pools at the Adelaide Aquatic Centre in North Adelaide (about 15 minutes from AWUC).

Youth will need to be **dropped off at the aquatic centre at 6pm** and pickup will be from the centre at 8:50pm.

The cost will be \$10 per person which includes entry to the pools and dinner at the aquatic centre!

If you have any questions please contact Jack Harington:

Phone: 0433 763 908

Email: youth@awuc.org.au

The Adelaide West Men's Choir is turning 10!

Join the men and their guest artists for a

Celebration Concert

A night of nostalgia, laughs, and music to inspire

Saturday 1st April

5.00 pm Adelaide West Uniting Church Auditorium
312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park

Adults \$15 Children under 12 free
Includes cheese platters and slices. BYO drinks



Tickets available from a choir member or the Church Office (ph. 82341199)
All tickets to be sold before the concert - not available at the door
So be sure to not miss out!

What's on this week...

Today

Communion all services

9:15am Rod Dyson
10:45am Rod Dyson
5:00pm Rachel Ferguson/Rod Dyson

Monday 6th

10am - 3pm AWUC Stitchers BYO lunch & stitching
6:30pm Girls Brigade AWUC hall
7:30pm Men's Choir practice AWUC Chapel

Tuesday 7th

9:30 - 11:30am Coffee, chat & share Craft Group
AWUC hall
7:00pm prayer & fasting AWUC Chapel
7:30 - 9:30pm Preaching Masterclass AWUC

Wednesday 8th

7:30pm Evening Fellowship AWUC hall

Thursday 9th

9:30 - 11:00am mainly music playgroup
AWUC hall

Friday 10th

7:30pm AWUC leaders meeting AWUC Chapel
6:00pm Engage Youth
Pool Party @ Adelaide Aquatic Center

Sunday 11th

9:15am Rod Dyson
10:45am Rod Dyson
5:00pm Ross Bouchier

Key Events for your diary

March

25 & 26 KCO

April

1st Men's Choir concert

8th Working Bee

21 - 23 Rev's

May

28 AWUC AGM

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**AWUC personal name tags
can be ordered from the
office.**

Costs are:

standard pin \$6.00;

**dual pin and pocket clip
\$7.00;**

magnet \$9.00.