

Epiphany 5

Isaiah 40:21-31

Ps 147:1-11, 20c

ICor9:16-23

Mk1:29-39



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

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Kurna people. We pay respect to their traditions and their elders and commit to working toward reconciliation in our land.

The second of February marked the 15th anniversary of being in our current building. This was a huge transition for four congregations and testifies to careful, courageous and faithful actions. David Bailey has prepared an insert that captures some of the property changes in that time. The changes continue and we are transitioning as a campus with the renovation of the neighbouring Uniting College for Leadership and Theology and the arrival of Emmaus Christian College next year.

At each anniversary we can be thankful for the past and the present, and we can seek God's guidance for the future. Each anniversary is a time to remember who we are. The final paragraph of the Basis of Union says, "The Uniting Church affirms that it belongs to the people of God on the way to the promised end. The Uniting Church prays that, through the gift of the Spirit, God will constantly correct that which is erroneous in its life, will bring it into deeper unity with other churches, and will use its worship, witness and service to God's eternal glory through Jesus Christ our Lord."



15th
Anniversary

Rod Dyson

Sunday Worship times:

creative traditional	9.15am
family worship	10.45am
youth & young adults	5.00pm



Uniting Church. **Uniting People.**



Welcome to Worship,

Today Kids' Space resumes and we are excited to explore what God has in store for us in 2018.

If you are unsure of what group your child (ren) are in, I can help you! If you haven't checked your enrolment form for Kids' Space, could you please do so. It is vital that we have this information to care for your children the best we can.

Blessings Lorraine
Children and Families Pastor

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

Engage Youth is Back!

Engage Youth went back for it's first week last Friday, kicking off our new series for the term 'I AM' where we will be looking at the seven 'I am' statements of Jesus from the gospel of John.

We've got exciting stuff cooking this term, with plans to get the youth out of the building for a few of the weeks in order to engage in community oriented service activities.

We are already organising some of these, but if you have any suggestions for someone or somewhere that can put roughly 45 pairs of hands to work for an evening, then please contact Jack.

Jack Harington
Youth Ministry team Leader

Staff and Church Council changes

As you are aware, Brett Gresham commenced in the role of Administration Support Officer on the 16th January 2018. Brett is settling into the role well and is in the office on both Monday's and Thursday's from 9am - 12.45pm.

Due to an increasing workload and family commitments, Matt Cragg will be stepping down from the Council Chairperson role at the February 2018 meeting. Matt Cragg will be staying on Council until his term concludes in the middle of this year. Trevor Story has been elected to be acting Chairperson until the May 2018 Congregational meeting.



KCO- "Welcome – a Place to Belong" registrations are now open and the procedure is different this year! You will need to register online at <https://events.sa.uca.au/kids-camp-out/kco-2018> . You will need to pay Synod at this time with a credit card. (if you do not have access to a credit card or you need financial assistance I am waiting for a code that will let you past this point).

Early bird registration closes on Monday 12th February, 2018 at 9am and all registrations close on Monday 26th February, 2018.

Please note: "Adelaide West Uniting Church" is the name of our group for KCO.

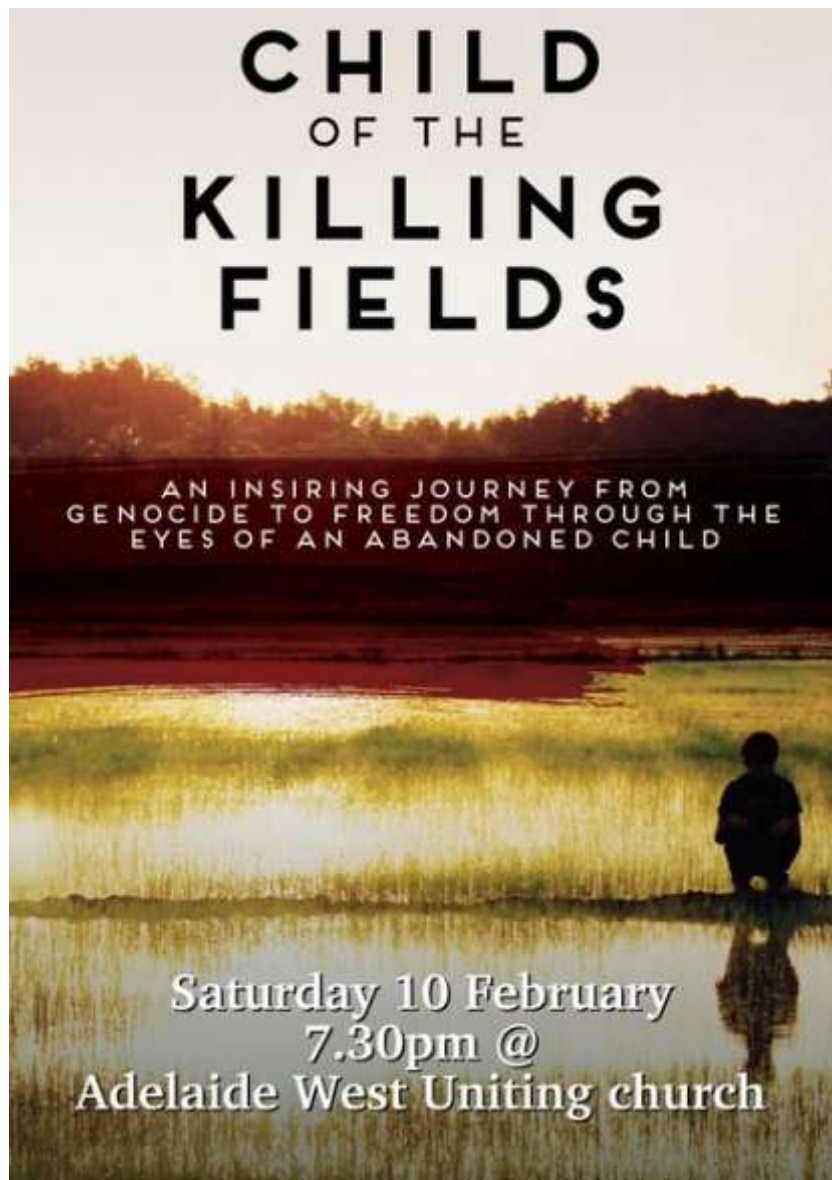
Once you have registered online you will also need to see me to pay for the AWUC component of camp (food and transportation).

If you are planning on being a Leader at KCO, please do not register yet, but let me know of your interest.

****Please note that AWUC do not offer part time registration or sibling registration (unless discussed with Lorraine). We discourage visitors because these will place an added demand on our already very busy leaders. ****

Any monetary donations will be gratefully received, please either give to Lorraine or in an envelope marked KCO 2018, thank you in advance.

Lorraine , KCO, AWUC - Group Coordinator.



Mark-John Winter is a filmmaker and friend of Fergs. His latest work is a documentary called 'Child of the Killing Fields' which has been getting excellent reviews. It's the story of a child who miraculously survived the horrors of Pol Pot's brutal regime and grew up to become an inspirational leader in his community. We are hosting a fundraising screening of the movie at Adelaide West Uniting Church on Saturday, 10 February 2018. Tickets are available from [Ferg A Ferguson](#), [Ruth Harbinson-Gresham](#), [Louise Fielke](#) or from the church office. \$20 adults, \$10 for students. Or **pick up a ticket after the service today!** Don't miss this amazing documentary. There will be live music by Fergus Maximus at 7.00pm and then the movie will start at 7.30pm followed by a Q&A with the film maker

Lent Series during our worship services

During Lent we will be reframing the Lenten disciplines. Lent is often about going without certain things – coffee, chocolate, alcohol etc and focusing more on disciplines like fasting, prayer and bible reading. This year we will reframe these helpful disciplines. We will be drawing on the book, “A World Worth Saving: Lenten Spiritual practices for action.” The series will include topics like noticing the pain of the world, serving others, seeing ourselves as God’s children, acting justly, living in moderation and forgiving others. Lent starts on the 18th of February. At night the focus will be on the book of Isaiah and a reading guide is being prepared to help people read the whole book of Isaiah during Lent.

Prayer Calendar

With reduced staffing in the church office we will not be producing a prayer calendar for the time being. It may be that someone outside of the office takes on this role or that prayer points are distributed in a different way.

If you are interested contributing in this way please speak to Rod.

Christmas Bowl Offering

Congratulations! We will receive an official letter in due course but I can report that our Christmas Bowl offering last year was \$2531!

9.15 visitation

There is a group of faithful people who visit the members of the 9.15 congregation. Some of the 9.15 members do not have visitors. If you feel a calling to be part of this team then please speak to Rod. Some 9.15 visitors are not able to get out as much as they would like so being visited is greatly welcomed.

Training will be provided before visiting commences.



The next [PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY SERVICE](#) will be held in the Chapel at 7.00pm on Wednesday the 21st of February. The theme will be **“Let God be God”** and the guest presenter will be Rev. Dr. Phil Carr. Further information from Esmond Dowdy or John Maddern.

What's on this week...

Today	9:15am	Rod Dyson
	10:45am	Rod Dyson
	5:00pm	Jack Harington
6th February	7:00pm	Prayer & fasting AWUC auditorium
6th February	9:30am	Craft Group
11th February	9:15am	Rod Dyson
	10:45am	Rod Dyson
	5:00pm	Lauren Andris

Lent Event 2018: Faith in Action

Uniting World has sent us a bunch of information and thought provoking ideas to engage with lent this year. Feb 14th to March 31st. Pick up a brochure or sticker from the back table and check out the notice board for more details.

An audio copy of every sermon is available on our web site if you want to hear it again or you miss attending any week. You can also catch up with newsletters or join a mailing list to receive them every week.

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