

Easter 4

Acts 4:5-12

Psalm 23

1John 3:16-24

John 10:11-18



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

**We acknowledge the ancient people of the land on which we meet,
the Kurna people, whose story reaches back to the first sunsets**

This week is called good shepherd Sunday because the focus is on Jesus the good shepherd (John 10.11-18). In Jesus's day there were lots of shepherds who looked after sheep and the leaders of Israel were also called shepherds. Many of these governing shepherds were condemned by the prophets because, like many powerful leaders, they chose to look after themselves and line their own pockets. In contrast we have Jesus the good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep and who, in particular, choose to care for the marginalized, sick and injured 'sheep'. He is the one who stands up for the sheep and this ultimately led to his death. He also seeks to gather everyone into 'one flock'.

In all of this Jesus becomes the example of how we are to lead, to serve and to work. We all 'shepherd' to some degree. In what ways are we 'laying down' our lives for those around us? And are there ways in which we are exerting power over people in a way that clashes with the manner of the one whom we follow?

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 our Kids' Space leaders are enjoying the 2nd of their 3 week break. Our Kids' Space program will return on Sunday 6th May. Today during the 10.45am service the children will have an activity in the hall during the sermon, we will join in the worship of the service.

Next week we will again have a similar activity.

Please note that the "Reconciliation Paver project" **is now an after-noon activity. From 1pm – 3pm.** We will be hearing aboriginal stories and making pavers **after** the service and shared lunch.

In 2 weeks (Thursday, May 3rd) there is a chance to listen to tradition aboriginal stories from the dreaming. Ask your parents if you can be involved. Talk to Ruth Harbinson-Gresham or Bryan Crosby to find out more about both of these activities.

Blessings Lorraine
Children and Families Pastor.

Engage Youth

Engage Youth welcomes all youth in years 7-12 to come, hang out, relax, eat, make new friends, meet awesome leaders and most importantly *engage* with God!

Engage Youth runs from 6-9:30pm at AWUC and includes dinner and dessert for \$5. Questions? Please contact Jack: 0433 763 908 or youth@awuc.org.au

Jack Harington
Youth Ministry team Leader

Annual General Meeting and Council Nominations

The Annual General Meeting will be held on May 27th after church lunch. Save the date! We will be electing two positions at this AGM. Please pray if you or someone you know would be a good nominee. Nomination forms are at the back of the auditorium.

The AGM will held at the Uniting College and we will be shown around their new facility prior to the meeting... so don't miss out!

The Reconciliation Art Paver Project

Join us **next Sunday for a (cold) pot luck lunch** at 12:15pm followed by reflections and guidelines on Aboriginal Art by Sean Weetra-Newchurch and then a hands on community workshop.

*A great opportunity to become more familiar with this critical issue.
Talk to Bryan Crosby for details*

Dyson Family Farewell Lunch

Don't forget the farewell lunch for the Dyson Family on the 6th May

Friendship Club

Friendship Club will meet at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesday week, 2nd May with a speaker from Resthaven: "Our Health Services and understanding the system". Afternoon tea will follow the meeting.

Enquiries to Graham Galpin 82975154 or Joan Kelley 81795639

Get your Wheat Bags...

Please don't use old or smelly wheatbags as they can catch fire if overheated. Judy Johnston has new ones. Normal size are \$6 and large back and shoulder ones for \$15. All money goes to the church fete. (Last year Judy raised over \$500!)

It's Pasty Bake time again

Fri 4th May – Sat 2nd June. Pasties \$3.50 Pasty plates \$11

Orders to Pam Young on 8352 5230.

Fridays from 12pm – 4pm and Saturdays 8am – 1pm at West Torrens Meals on Wheels Kitchen. If you have any spare time at all, even just an hour or two, please come and join us. You'll be so glad you did!!

Men's Choir

Next Sunday, April 29th the Men's Choir, together with the Jazz Bandits will hold a concert in the Adelaide West auditorium at 2pm. You are assured of an afternoon of fun, entertainment, a Devonshire afternoon tea and great music. Tickets from choir members. \$15 Adults, \$12 Concession, children free. Money will go to Frontier Services.

What's on this week...

Today	9:15am	Rod Dyson
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	5:00pm	Jack Harington
Monday 23rd	7:30pm	Men's Choir
Tuesday 24th	7:00pm	Prayer & fasting
Sunday 29th	9:15am	Phil Carr
	10:45am	Phil Carr
	12:15pm	Shared Lunch
	1:00pm	Reconciliation Paver Project
	2:00pm	Men's Choir
	5:00pm	Jack Harington

Sermons Online

If you miss a sermon or know someone who would like to listen to them, you can hear previous sermons online at the AWUC website:

<https://awuc.org.au/sermons/>

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