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Mon - Thurs 9am - 3pm

Lent 3

Ex 17:1-7

Ps 95

Rom 5:1-11

Jn 4:5-42



Acceptance, Hope and Transformation in Jesus

If you are new or visiting Adelaide West Uniting Church we are pleased you are here News of the church 15th March 2020

#### Together we're washing hands ...

Wash your hands. We read and hear it everywhere. It is easy to dismiss but science tells us that washing our hands is an amazingly effective way to stop the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19). So we remind each other to wash our hands again, and again, and again. We wash because we are a part of humanity and therefore part of humanity's suffering. We wash because we care about the people in our midst who are more susceptible to the effects of this virus – the elderly, the very young, and those undergoing treatments, unwell or with respiratory issues. We wash as we are God's people & we care with God's love.

We are monitoring the SA Health website daily and also awaiting a congregational resource from the Synod. As this virus is spread through close contact, we are putting in place some precautionary measures now:

- Hand sanitisers are stationed in the foyer and church.
- Communion will change for the time being we'll be served cut up bread and not passing the trays to each other.
- Advice is to avoid handshaking try to avoid this at the end of a service or in the 11am '1 minute mingle', perhaps adopt the 'fist bump' or a reassuring hand on the upper arm.
- For those preparing/serving food please be diligent about hand washing and place hand sanitiser on any table with food.

And we pray together for all affected by this and for God's peace for those who are fearful.

Blessings, Lynne

Uniting Church. **Uniting People.** 

Sunday Worship times:

creative traditional 9.15am family worship 11.00am 5.00pm



This week in our Seahorse room (3-4 year olds) we are looking at "Abraham: the Promise". In our Mussels (5-6 year olds), Dolphins (7-10ish year olds) and Orcas (10ish to year 6) we are going to the Godly Play room (at the college) to hear the

story of the Good Samaritan.

Blessings, Lorraine, Children and Family Pastor

## **Upcoming events**

3 Apr Twilight Art & Craft Market8 Oct Colin Buchanan Concert

**24 Oct** Community Fair

## **Church Council meeting 5/3/20**

Notes on the Church Council meeting are available on the welcome table in the foyer.

# KCO (21-22 March 2020) - KCO (21-22 March 2020)

NEXT weekend!

Please keep praying for our children and leaders. Put your name down on the prayer vigil sheet in the foyer. A big thank you to everyone who donated funds to help with the very important weekend.

Lorraine, KCO Group Coordinator (AWUC)



Thank you to the volunteer carpet fairies who



cleaned the foyer carpet on the Monday of the long weekend. Your care and ministry is appreciated!



## **Baptism**

If you are interested in being baptised or affirming your infant baptism, please contact Lynne (0439 600 220 or lynne@awuc.org.au).

For youth in years 7-12 Fridays in term time, 6.30pm – 9.30pm @ church

Shared tea \$5

Sunday Youth is every Sunday during the 11am-service, except for the first Sunday in the month – for years 7 to 10. Questions/comments – contact Lynne 0439 600 220

## Kaurna miyurna, Kaurna yarta, ngadlu tampinthi. (We recognise Kaurna people and their land.)

#### Putting furniture away when using the church premises

We would be grateful if you could tidy and put away chairs, tables and any other items after church activities. Our centre is hired out to groups during the week and on weekends and if items are not put away, this is done by church staff and can be a challenge time wise. Thank you.

## Angels in the Wilderness -Andrew Dutney Book launch

We are invited to join Rev Prof Andrew Dutney at the Uniting College for Leadership and Theology for the launch of his new book, 'Angels in the Wilderness' -Thurs 19 March, 4.30pm -5.30pm. (Drinks and nibbles supplied.) In this book, Andrew asks, where is the Uniting Church in the Australian society now and what has it learnt from the journey so far. Angels in the Wilderness discusses the resilience the Uniting Church will need to continue as people of God on the way to the promised end.

PRAYER POINTS	
MON	Stitchers & connect groups
TUES	Coronavirus - for all those affected & for a cure to stop this virus
WED	Progressive Service
THU	mainly music
FRI	Friday Youth & KCO set up
SAT	KCO at Victor Harbor - children & leaders
SUN	Sunday services (3), KCO at Victor Harbor & Sunday Youth

#### **Looking for a freezer**

The church freezer is rather old and not working well. Before looking at purchasing a new one, does anyone have a stand-alone freezer they are no longer using? If you do, contact the office.

## **Together we serve**

- Bus drivers we are looking for 2 more bus drivers (car licence only required) – if you are interested, contact Wendy Barrett or Trevor Story.
- Cleaning rear windows if you would be happy to help clean windows, please contact the office.
- Love coffee? We need some extra volunteers to learn the machine for Sunday mornings after the 11.am service.

#### What's on in the next week...

Today 9.15am Lynne Aird

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5.00pm Daniel Brown

Monday 7.30pm Men's choir

Tuesday 9.30am Coffee, Chat & share craft group

Wednesday 7.30pm Progressive Service

Thursday 9.30am mainly music

Friday 6.30pm Youth @ church

Sunday 22nd 9.15am lan Kitto

11.00am lan Kitto

5.00pm tba

### **Giving at Adelaide West**

direct deposit to: BSB: 805-007 | Account #: 00703475 |

Account name: Adelaide West Uniting Church | marked 'offering'.

eGive - forms on shelves by front door offerings at services

You are very welcome to attend the Progressive Christianity Service to be held on Wednesday 18th March at 7.00 pm in the Chapel. Our Guest Presenter will be Campbell Menzies, retired Maths, English and IT teacher.

He will speak on *The Bible tells me so: why defending scripture has made us unable to read it.* For further information please contact Esmond Dowdy or John Maddern, or visit https://pcnetsa.org/

#### **CHURCH CONTACTS**

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