



**Uniting Church in Australia**  
**SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS**  
**Sunday 11 September 2016**  
**Pentecost 17**

## **Gospel**

Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' *Luke 15: 4-6.*

## **For prayer & reflection...**

How can we move from fragmentation to unity? A hard struggle is required. It is the struggle to allow God's Spirit to work in us and recreate us. But this struggle is not beyond our strength.

It calls for some very specific well-planned steps. It calls for a few moments a day in the presence of God when we can listen to God's voice precisely in the midst of our many concerns. It also calls for the persistent endeavour to be with others in a new way by seeing them not as people to whom we can cling in fear, but as fellow human beings with whom we can create a new space for God.

The beginning of the spiritual life is often difficult not only because the powers which cause us to worry are so strong but also because the presence of God's Spirit seems barely noticeable. If, however, we are faithful to our disciplines, a new hunger is the first sign of God's presence. When we remain attentive to this divine presence, we will be led always deeper into the kingdom.

*Henri Nouwen 'Making All Things New'*

**SA Council of Churches**

### ***Welcome to Seacliff Uniting Church!***

*If you are new to the area, visiting friends or family, or on a holiday, to you we extend a warm welcome, and invite you to share fully in worship and fellowship.*

*Our Minister is Peter Moss ☎ 8381 2943*

## **This Week at Seacliff**

**Women's Evening Fellowship 7.30pm Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Women's Day Fellowship 1.30pm Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September**  
**M&M's 10am Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

## **What's News**

### **Women's Evening Fellowship. – Open Night.**

On Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2016, at 7:30 pm the Evening Fellowship Ladies are hosting an **"Open Night"**. inviting all members of the Congregation and their friends, to join us. Come and hear **Raeline Pierce** (Greg's wife) speak to us about **"Kola"** which is a project in India where they are trying to connect water and latrines to the homes of poor people in rural India. There will be a Trading table to raise funds for this project and we would appreciate "Gold Coin" donations as well. There will be a supper served after when you will get a chance to chat to Raeline. We are also hoping Greg will visit with her on the night.  
Von.

### **Men's Dinner for September**

The next Men's Dinner evening will be at the **Flagstaff Golf Club, Memford Way, Flagstaff Hill., on 21st September.** Meet at **6.30pm** for a **7pm** start. For information or transport, contact Dene Goldsack 8296 1046.

### **Cogs "n" Coffee.**

What a great day Wednesday was for a ride with eleven keen riders taking to their bikes. National Park was splendid with a myriad of birds out singing their praises to the day. The ride was a little different, in that we rode our usual track through the park in the reverse order. Coffee was great at Belair and for many it was a first down the Lynton bike track where one must hang onto the brakes. Home through Centennial Park is always interesting, I wonder what (they) think when there's a group of riders winding their way through the graves.

Next weeks ride to be decided on Wednesday, when we meet at Wattle Reserve at 8.30am.  
Brian

### **Peter on Leave**

Please note Peter is on leave this week from 12<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Sept. For urgent pastoral concerns please ring Jim Winn, 8322 2146.

## **Seacliff Church Camp – Register now!**

October is just around the corner and that means so is our Annual Church Camp. **Date: Friday 21st October - Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Please let me know if you require a camp registration form which is now available.

**For information contact Marian 0438 321 077.**

## **Beyond Seacliff**

### **Taizé Prayer in Adelaide**

Friday 23 September at 7:30pm at Semaphore Uniting Church, 146 Semaphore Road, Exeter.

Come along to an ecumenical gathering to pray together in the spirit of Taizé. The prayers and songs of Taizé are both simple and beautiful. The music emphasises simple phrases, usually lines from Psalms or other pieces of Scripture, repeated and sometimes also sung in canon. The prayer itself revolves around an extended period of silence when those gathered can be at peace and listen for the still small voice of God. Everyone welcome. For more information [www.facebook.com/taize.adelaide](http://www.facebook.com/taize.adelaide) or Ph 8267 2657

### **Pinery Fire project update - from UC e-News**

The Pinery Fire began on 25 November in 2015 and burnt out 85 000 hectares. The Plains Community Churches (Hamley Bridge Uniting Church, Owen Community Church and Windsor Uniting Church) created the “Greening the Landscape” home garden project as a way to support local communities affected by the fire. The project has been a great success as volunteers with the project offer a listening ear, compassionate conversation, and a \$100 garden voucher to those whose gardens have been damaged by fire. So far they have given away 180 garden vouchers and are half way across the fire zone. “The home visits and the gift of a \$100 gardening voucher has been a real ministry of encouragement,” says Rev Dr Phil Marshall. “We are continuing the project into spring, and want to visit more people.” Can you help? Donations to the project can be made direct to: Plains Community Churches Treasurer, Mr Don Bubner PO Box 1, Owen SA 5460

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### **Worship Leaders for Today : Rev. Peter Moss**

Sep 11 2016 Pent 17 [24] Jer 4:11-12, 22-28

Ps 14 1, Tim 1:12-17, Lk 15:1-10.

### **Reminder for Stewards : 18.9.2016**

Warwick Gardner

Von Bollinger

### **Welcome to our Church.**

There are a few things you need to know especially if you are a visitor.

**Fire exits** are marked. Please take note. In the case of an emergency evacuation please gather on the Western Lawns under the Pine Tree.

**St John First Aid Kit** - on top of the pigeon holes up from the ramp.

**Toilets** are available through the door front right of the Worship Area or out through the turn around point on the ramp.

**Morning tea** is held after the service – we hope you will join with us.

Children normally leave for the children's programme after the children's talk during the Service. More information is available from the Steward's Table and displays scattered around "The Middle Hall".

### **Items for the Newsletter**

Please email items to.

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[m](mailto:m) and seacliffuc-

churchoffice @adam.com.au

by 9.30am on Wednesdays. If

you do not have access to email,

please phone or call in at the

church office and it will be

forwarded for you.

### **Contact Details – Peter Moss**

Peter is at the office in Wheatland House - Tuesdays, Fridays, and usually

Wednesday or Thursday mornings;

Office : 8296 1517. If he's not in the

office, you are welcome to ring him at

home and leave a message if he's not

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