



Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 11 December 2016
Advent 3

Gospel

Jesus answered, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me."

Matthew 11:4-6

For prayer and reflection...

Our search for God and our service to others will never be conducted in a neat world. Life will never submit to our good intentions, will never fall in line, will never stand still long enough to do our bidding. Life will never cease to be a messy affair, and our spiritual journey will never be reduced to a tidying-up operation. God and the others don't wait to enter our life until we have put it all in order. Our journey ... is about finding God and serving others in the midst of the mess. The messiest place of all will be our own soul, our own life, which, despite our best efforts, will insist on remaining human. And it is into this mess, this confusion, that God and others will invite themselves.

John Kirvan 'Silent Hope'

Term 4 Prayer Diary entry for Week 9 – 12th December

Give thanks and praise for the appointment of Jo Chapman at Waradale Primary School.
South Western Schools Ministry Inc

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 Wed. 6:30 pm 14th December.

What's News

Church Office over the Holiday Period.

Would church members please note that the office will close on **16th December** and not reopen **until 27th January 2017**, so the last newssheet will be for the 18th December and the first one for 2017 will be that for 29th January.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dean for producing the weekly news sheet as well as those who staff the office throughout the year.

Dennis

Womens Evening Fellowship.

Our last meeting together for 2016 is our ***Christmas Dinner*** next **Wednesday, 14th December, at 6:30 pm**. If you haven't already informed me as to whether you will be attending or not, could you please do so by Monday. PLEASE NOTE the TIME of this event. See you all there.

Von

CogsNCoffee

It was not quantity this past week for a ride but rather quality. An easy ride to Grange for coffee.

Next weeks ride meet at Wattle reserve 8.30am for a ride to have coffee at the old Victoria Pk. racecourse grandstand.

The following week will be our last ride for the year. Think about where we could go to perhaps have breakfast.

. Brian

Last Weekly Newsletter for 2016

Next week will be our last weekly newssheet for the year.

I would like to thank all who have faithfully sent the items for inclusion each week. It made my job so much easier and enjoyable. We return on the **29th January** with Heather and Rosemary as backup editors for 2017.

Dean Dixon.

December 2016 events

CHRISTMAS EVE under the PINE TREE - 2016

As the waiting ends and we celebrate the Gift of Love this Christmas season, we also have an opportunity to share that gift with our wider communities - an invitation at this time of year may be what they've been waiting for. Bring a friend, a neighbour, a grandchild....

Saturday 24th

6.00pm – Sausage Sizzle

✧ Sausage and bread, Tea/ Coffee/ Cordial.

✧ Christmas Music 6.30 –7pm.

7.00pm - Christmas Carols

✧ Christmas story and activity for kids.

✧ Supper in the Hall afterwards - Tea/ Coffee/ Cordial/
Christmas Cake/ Cheese and Biscuits.

Christmas Day Service

Sunday 25th 9am Note early time!

Early Notice – Put It In Your Diary Now for 2017

The Church Camp will be held from 20th to 22nd October

Beyond Seacliff

Cherry Gardens Community Carols

Cherry Gardens Memorial Hall Main Road, Cherry Gardens

21 December 2016 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Event details

This event is free and will be held on Wednesday 21 December at the Cherry Gardens Memorial Hall.

6.30 - Old McDonald's Farm, an animal petting zoo, opens.

7.30 - a concert featuring local talent starts.

The evening will conclude with supper provided by members of the congregation. For more information Contact Dianne Dyson
Phone 8278 6585.

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Worship Leader for Today : Rev. Peter Moss

2016 Advent 3 Isaiah 11: 1-10; Psalm 72: 1-7,18,19

Romans 15: 4-13; Matthew 3: 1-12.

Reminder for Stewards : 18.12.2016

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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@seacliffuc-churchoffice@adam.com.au) 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 there. Home : 8381 2943 Email: peter.moss.534@gmail.com

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