



Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 2 April 2017

Lent 5

Lent Event Project

This week's **Lent Event focus** project is "***Jesus the Table Turner – Tackling Systems of injustice in India***".

India has the third highest number of millionaires in the world, hot on the heels of the US and China. It's also home to more than 270 million people who live on less than \$2 a day (US). Pretty clearly, it's a country of extremes of wealth: millions have benefited hugely from the tech industry, yet it's still the country with the highest number of people in the world who don't have access to clean drinking water.

Teaching people how to tackle this stark injustice and inequality is key to overcoming poverty. Education, for example, is universal and free, but some sections of the population are overlooked and real access to equal schooling remains a pipedream. Women are theoretically considered equal but they experience violence at high rates and are hugely over—represented among the very poor. Economic, legal and political systems need a major overhaul if any of this is to change. This is where our partners, the Church of North India, are helping people take a stand. Where children are excluded from school, or where there aren't enough teachers, they're training community workers to educate families about their rights, get their kids into school and lobby for trained teachers. Where water supplies aren't correctly installed they're organising people to politely but firmly insist they're properly serviced. They're teaching families to understand their own health and apply for government vaccinations and health services; where small grants are available to seed business opportunities, they're equipping communities – especially women — to step up and be entrepreneurial.

When you give to Lent Event, you're supporting long-term change in India, not short-term handouts.

Peter

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

**TakeUs2
M&M's**

**Tonight 6 pm. Sunday 2nd April
10am Friday 7th April**

What's News



Galapagos Islands

TakeUs2

Come along tonight for a trip to the **Galapagos Islands, Ecuador and the Antarctic**. Enjoy the usual format of a light meal starting at 6 pm, some pictures and stories and, hopefully, be going home by 9pm. Your friends are welcome.

Geoff, Bev, Ian and Fay

Cogs "n" Coffee

With overcast skies, 7 of us took on the Coast to Vines trail riding from Seaford to old Reynella where we had a lovely coffee break before continuing home. Age continues to threaten us with a member forgetting to ride with a helmet. It's getting to the point where the first thing we do on a Wed morning, is put our helmet on. If only I knew which day was Wednesday.

Next week Wattle Reserve at 8.30am and we will try for coffee at Adelaide Oval.

Brian

SPIT ROAST on 29th April, 2017 - tickets now available!

The SPIT ROAST for 2017 is on and we have 80 tickets! (cost \$25.00 per person). Tables of 8 can be arranged. If you are interested in coming, tickets are now available but you can book a space by speaking to **Von or John Bollinger**. The money raised will be going partly to the Church Mission Project and church Maintenance. Love to see you all there.

Weekly Newsletter Notices - April 9 issue.

As Libby and I will be away for the preparation of the 9th April Newsletter, please ensure that any input for that week is forwarded to the church office email address for inclusion by office staff. Office email: seacliffuc- churchoffice @adam.com.au
Many thanks. Dean.

Beyond Seacliff

Walk for Justice for Refugees

Sunday 9 April, 1.30pm // Tarndanyangga (Victoria Square), Adelaide

This year, the Uniting Church in South Australia will once again stand alongside our brothers and sisters in Christ in the annual Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees.

The gathering will walk from Tarndanyangga (Victoria Square) to Parliament House to send a message of hope, solidarity and support for refugees - those already settled in Australian communities, and those seeking asylum in Australia.

This year's march has the motto: "More courage, less fear. Close the camps and bring them here."

An estimated 15,000 people attended the 2016 Palm Sunday Walk for Justice - it is hoped the 2017 gathering will be bigger still! A group will be meeting from 1.30pm at Tarndanyangga to make placards on the day; cardboard and markers will be supplied. The march will begin at 2pm.

Bring your family, friends and workmates, as well as any banners and signs. All ages welcome.

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Worship Leader for Today : Rev Peter Moss

Lectionary: April 2 2017 Lent 5 Ez 37:1-14 Ps 130

Rom 8:6-11 Jn 11:1-45

Reminder for Stewards 9.4.2017

John Bollinger

R. Lane

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 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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