

Uniting Church in Australia SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS Sunday 3 December 2017 ADVENT 1

Gospel

Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake." *Mark 13:33-37* **For prayer and action...**

I remember the day I left my home. Shooting and killing had come to my town. When the fighters came my husband, Lisembé, was shot in the leg. We fled straight away, taking whatever transport was available to move from town to town, seeking safety. *Amba, who lived with her husband and two sons in the Congo.*

From 'Act for Peace - Christmas Bowl Now is the time to keep awake.

Now is the time to prepare. His coming is the advent of love, His coming is good news for the poor. His coming is the advent of hope. His coming is good news for the oppressed. His coming is the advent of peace. His coming is good news for all creation. O come, o come, Emmanuel. South Australian 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 28881 2943

This Week at Seacliff

B-Team worship and party this morning- Church and hall. Yarn Sisters 10am Thursday 7th December

What's News

B-Team worship and party

The annual B-Team service and party is on <u>this morning, 3rd</u> <u>December, with a</u> worship service at 9.30am, then a rather spekky morning tea and some activites for the children.. (Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday on the 10th.)

Max.

Christmas Gift Shoppe

Our Christmas Shoppe opens on **this morning in** conjunction with the B Team celebrations. Your support is appreciated.

Heather Gepp

Church Office Closure over Christmas Holidays.

Would you please note that the office will close on **16th December and re-open on 25th January 2018.** If there is something urgent which you think people should know about please email me at <u>dnpwood@gmail.com</u> or ring 8270 6303. Thanks to all those who have manned the office in 2017. Dennis

Church Rosters 2018

It was recently suggested that the rosters in many cases could be emailed to those interested and thus save on time and printing costs. If you would like to receive the rosters by email please email the church office or myself at <u>dnpwood@gmail.com</u>. Paper copies will still be available but not as many. Here again I would like to express my thanks to all those people whose names appear on the rosters. Please see me if you would like to be on a roster. Dennis

Cogs n Coffee

Om what turned out to be a very hot day. eight hardy rides rode to Henley Beach for their coffee. All returned home before it was really hot.

Bruce will lead next weeks ride meeting at Seacliff Railway station at 9.00am. On the 13th December, we will do our Christmas Breakfast ride meeting at Greigs at 8.00 am. Brian

Christmas Day reminder

A couple of us, with some time on our hands on Christmas Day, are looking at offering a lunch opportunity for people who will otherwise be spending Christmas Day alone, or with just their usual live-in family. The plan is for a BBQ to be provided, with people attending being invited to bring some salad. Church Council has given its blessing to the venture. So - if you, or someone you know within one of our church-associated groups, will be all alone on the day and would like some company for lunch, could you let Maureen know? Even if it's only a handful. We will need to know numbers for catering purposes.

Maureen

Coming Soon

Christmas Carols Service 9.30am 17th December. Christmas Under the Pine Tree 6pm 24th December

Newsletter misquotes/mistakes

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.'The sermon tonight:'Searching for Jesus.'

Beyond Seacliff

Carols by the Sea

St Andrew's by the Sea Uniting Church 92 Jetty Road, Glenelg. **16 December 2017 1:00pm - 2:30pm**

Event details

Arts by the Sea in partnership with the Monteverdi Singers will host a free outdoor concert at St Andrew's by the Sea Uniting Church on Jetty Road. Come down to Glenelg for a pleasant Saturday afternoon and sing along to celebrate the Christmas season. Limited marquee seating available on first-come-firstserved basis.

For more information: Contact Arts by the Sea Phone 0405 459 214

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Worship Leader for Today: Rev. Peter Moss. Lectionary for Today Dec 3 2017 Advent 1 Is 64:1-9, Ps 80:1-7,17-19, 1 Cor 1:3-9, Mk 13:24 –37. Reminder for Stewards 10, 12.2017 PearlWood Margaret Tucker

Welcome to our Church.

There are a few things you need to know especially if you are a visitor. <u>Fire exits</u> are marked. Please take note. In the case of an emergency evacuation please gather on the Western Lawns under the Pine Tree. <u>St John First Aid Kit</u> - on top of the pigeon holes up from the ramp. <u>Toilets</u> 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. deandixon7@bigpond.co m and seacliffucchurchoffice @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.

<u> Contact Details – Peter Moss</u>

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

Church Office Information

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