



Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 27 May 2018
SUNDAY 9

Our Scriptures

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. *Romans*

8:14



For prayer and action...

Flame dancing Spirit,

Come Sweep us off our feet and Dance us through our days.

Surprise us with your rhythms; dare us try new steps, explore new patterns and new partnerships.

Release us from old routines to swing in abandoned joy and fearful adventure.

And in the intervals, rest us in Your Still Centre. Amen.

Esther de Waal .

[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 ☎ 8381 2943

This Week at Seacliff

M&M's

10am Friday 1st June

TakeUs2 for June

6.00pm Sunday 3rd June

What's News

Welcome to Joan Kelly

We welcome back Joan Kelley as our worship leader this morning while Peter attends, with others, our Church Camp at Glennbar, Strathalbyn, this weekend.

TAKE US 2

Next Sunday, **3rd June**, John Bollinger is taking us to **Japan**, after we have a light meal **at 6:00pm**. The meal will be soup, a little Asian food, and the usual bread and salads. And if you are lucky, there will be something for supper half way through the evening. Most of the photos you will see will be of the central part of the main island of Japan. All are welcome. Von and John

BIG BOOK SALE WEEKEND - Reminder

Our "Big Book Sale" is on again on the long weekend in June 9th-11th. Bob Tuck is very busy sorting and pricing books for it . He is looking for helpers to bring the books into the hall and set up on **Friday, 8th June from 11:30 am**.

Also, on the Saturday and Sunday, the Women's Day Fellowship will have a Jumble Sale Stall to raise funds for their commitments to the church and the wider work via UCAF (Uniting Church Adult Fellowship). As well as the "jumble", there will be a few cakes, jams etc. We will have scones with jam and cream so people who wish can have a morning or afternoon tea as they browse through their purchases, at a small cost. If you can help in any way we will appreciate it immensely. Von

Cogs n Coffee

A little more challenging ride this past week as we rode from Seaford back home. We welcomed Bob Tuck back on his new Ebike, well done Bob! who kept up with the main peleton. Meet at 8.30am at Wattle Reserve for next weeks ride.

Brian

Beyond Seacliff

The Messy Church amongst us. - *Lead article from UC E-News.*

Created by Lucy Moore, **Messy Church** has a simple premise and a huge following – in the United Kingdom, where it was established, and around the world. In Australia, there are over 220 regular Messy Churches: 25 of these are based in South Australia, and 13 of these are part of the Uniting Church SA.

Lucy began Messy Church by posing a simple question: How can our small church reach the many families in our community? Focussing on the needs of families in the community, Lucy began shaping worship, learning and fellowship in new ways and eventually came up with the core idea for Messy Church.

“People say they keep hearing about Messy Church. ‘What is it?’, ‘Is it something our church could do?’ and ‘Why is it so effective at connecting with families?’ These are questions being asked of Messy Church practitioners across Australia,” says Judyth Roberts, a member of the Uniting Church SA Intergenerational Team.

A typical Messy Church includes a flexible, relaxed arrival time, a creative learning time, a short time of worship with story, music and prayers, and finishes with a sit-down meal for all. Key values that define Messy Church are Christ-centredness, creativity and joyful celebration in a spirit of generous, inclusive hospitality for all ages.

Importantly, Messy Church was created for those outside the church, and became church for them, rather than being a stepping stone to Sunday morning services. A number of Uniting Church congregations across South Australia have started their own Messy Churches, which typically meet once a month.

“It doesn’t fit for every congregation, as Messy Church needs to be a response to the local community. But Messy Church is a good fit for many Uniting Churches because it is open, creative and hospitable and embodies the Uniting Church ethos,” says Judyth.

The Australasian Messy Church conference was held in early 2018, and the 170 people gathered were given the opportunity to share stories from their own Messy Church communities and experiences. The conference was attended by several Uniting Church SA leaders, including Jenny Carver, the Messy Church Regional Coordinator for South Australia.

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Worship Leader for Today: Joan Kelly
Lectionary for Today: Sunday 9: 27th May 2 Cor. 4:5-12
Psalm 139 1-6, 13-181 Sam 3:1-10 (11-20).

Reminder for Stewards 3.6.2018

Brian Gepp Pauline Galliford

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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