

# Uniting Church in Australia SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS Sunday 21 October 2018 PENTECOST 22

#### **Reflection** - from UC e-News

Whilst on earth, Jesus spoke regularly about feeding and caring for the poor. Paul regularly wrote about feeding and caring for the poor. Centuries on, why is it that the poor are so often forgotten? So often patronised, belittled and not valued? In other lands as well as our own country? How do I respond to God to make poverty history?

**Matthew 19:20-22** (New International Version) - Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

**Matthew 25:37** - "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?

# **Prayer**

Thank you loving God for all the people in this world, for all the races and, cultures and the richness of our differences. Thank you Jesus, for your example of caring for the poor, for your immense compassion, and your teaching to put others first before our own comfort. Forgive us for our selfishness, and our lack of sharing. Forgive us for national decisions that don't alleviate poverty and suffering. Lord God, I want my heart to break from what breaks your heart, to be truly compassionate, to be sincerely passionate about making poverty history.

Thank you, Creator God, for the relationship each of us can have in you. Amen

## 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 Rev. Anne Hewett* 

# This Week at Seacliff Women's Night F/ship 7.30pm Thurs. 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. Craft & Hobbies Exhibition 9am Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Oct.

# What's News

#### **WOMEN'S NIGHT FELLOWSHIP**

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October, at 7.30 pm. This is our AGM and we would like to see as many members in attendance as possible. There will be a short General meeting, the Annual meeting and then a Communion Service, during the evening but I am not sure how it is to be run. Rosemary will meet with Anne Hewitt to see how Anne wants it to run. Supper will be provided by the Executive members for this meeting. Looking forward to seeing you all.

#### **Craft & Hobbies Exhibition**

Only five days to go before our Exhibition day on **the 27th. October starting at 9am**. Preparations are going well and a banner is now on the fence advertising the day.

**Heather Gepp** 

# A note from David and Mary

Most of this year would have been quite difficult for us, had it not been for the love of God shown to us in so many ways by our brothers and sisters here at Seacliff UC. Now the days are longer and warmer, Mary's hair is growing back, the music is flowing again and we thank you and praise God.

David and Mary

#### Takeus2 planning

Our final meeting for this year will be on **Nov 4** when Andrew and Ruth will take us to the Netherlands and Denmark and we look forward to that. At this meeting, I also will have a piece of paper and a pencil in my pocket to write down offers for our Program for next year. Please consider whether you or your friends would like to contribute as hosts, please tell me (or a note) your proposed destination(s) and months that you will NOT be available. Doing so will help us continue this popular group into its 8<sup>th</sup> year.

David

## Cogs n Coffee

On a drizzly morning, 9 of us set off for National Park. A puncture meant we missed the earlier train but there was another. Only 7 boarded the train as a couple decided it was better for them to have a coffee. It was colder at Belair but once we did a couple of uphill stints we warmed up. Next visit our aim will be to get from Old Government House to the top gate, a couple of K's short this time. Next weeks ride, the 9.05am train at Seacliff for a ride Seaford to Willunga.

# Seacliff events approaching fast

As advised last week, our **AGM** is scheduled for **Nov 18**<sup>th</sup>, but reports are needed by **Nov 4**<sup>th</sup> so that Rosemary can collate and print to be available a week ahead for those who desire a paper copy. Some reports are in – fabulous. Please keep them coming. A reminder also that our much-valued friend Dennis Wood is not available to continue as <u>Church Office Coordinator</u> next year, so a new person needs to be found.

**Remembrance Day** is a Sunday this year, so will be a special day for many of us.

We will meet outside, under the pine tree, starting at 10.00am; we hope this can be something of a community event which returned service people and/or their families can attend.

If you would like to be part of a small group that prepares the day, please speak to Anne.

Offerings that day – there will be a suitable container into which offerings may be placed; please note that while any offerings or gifts in marked envelopes will be passed to the nominated recipient, all unmarked cash donations will go to a cause appropriate to the day (and yet to be decided). If it is your practice to make your weekly offerings as unmarked cash, please place that in a marked envelope to ensure it goes to this church. All four Sundays of Advent fall in December this year.

The first **Sunday**, **2**<sup>nd</sup> **December**, is the annual BTeam event. The fourth **Sunday**, **23**<sup>rd</sup> **December**, has been set as the date for the Lessons and Carols service. If you would like to be part of a small group to help prepare any of these occasions, please speak to Anne.

Max

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Worship Leader for Today: Rev. Anne Hewett

Lectionary for Today: 21 October, Job 38:1-7, 34-41,

Psalm 104: 1-9, 24, 35c, Heb. 5: 1-10, Mark 10: 35-45.

Reminder for Stewards 28.10.2018 Bob Haywood Warrick Gardner

#### ,Welcome to our Church.

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. More information is available from the Steward's Table and displays scattered around "The Middle Hall".

# **Items for the Newsletter**

Please email items to both.

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by 9.30am on Wednesdays. If
you do not have access to email,
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