



**Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 3 March 2019
TRANSFIGURATION**

PSALM 99

The awesome love of God rules;
let all nations and rulers tremble!

God wears the light of galaxies;
let our little earth shake!

Greater than the holiest temples,
shaper of time and space;

let humanity tremble in awe
and worship such

Otherness!

O unspeakable Name,

even now you hear your
people.

You take evil to task,

yet you are forgiving God.

We celebrate such awesome love,
we exult in the Lord our God!

Exquisite lover of justice,
you uphold sincere goodness.

Wherever there is impartial love
it is your doing.

Let everyone sing your praises
and fall at your holy feet.

Among today's prophets
you still have a Moses and Elijah.

Where there are sincere priests,
there is found a new Samuel.

Pillars of fire still guide,
and the law of love still stands.

Bruce Prewer ... Used with Permission

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.

This Week at Seacliff

**TakeUs2
Yarn Sisters**

**Tonight 6.45 pm 3th March
10am Thursday 7th March**

What's News

We welcome Rev. Dean Davidson to lead our Communion worship this morning

Rev Gary Stuckey at Seacliff

Gary's first service here will be next Sunday, **March 10th**.

Max

Takeus2 Evening Tonight Sunday 3rd March

Come and join us on our journey through Mexico and cruising in the Caribbean as we immerse ourselves in the culture and history of world heritage archeological sites and also have fun in Havana, Jamaica and the Cayman Islands. The evening will begin at **6:45pm** and supper will be served at 8pm. The presentation will conclude at 9pm.

Annette and Geoff Craven

Congregation Profile for Placement purposes

A small group of Andrew, Rob and David has offered to collect and collate your submissions to construct our 'Profile' during the next month or so, in order for it to be finalised and go the next meeting of Placement Committee to be held early in April. Max and Rosemary have distributed forms and all input is invited asap and **by Sunday March 10 at the latest** please. It can be given to any of us, Rosemary or left in David's pigeon hole please.

This matter will also be mentioned on the Soapbox this morning.

David

Church Council members

In addition to the general notice to the Congregation about input to the Profile, please recall that Max has asked us all to spend some time and complete Section 2 which refers particularly to our role, again to me asap and by next Sunday 10/3 at the latest please, via email to dgreig@bigpond.net.au if you wish.

David

Cogs n Coffee

Well done to Ruth who did her first ride to Grange for the year. Look out for Bob's new bike next week!

Next weeks ride to Adelaide oval meeting at the shops near Warradale station at 8.30am.

Brian



Notes from the Treasurer

I am sorry you did not have time to have a close look through the figures and notes prior or at Sunday's meeting, if there are any matters requiring clarification please feel free to talk to me privately.

Regarding the revised budget for 2019, the very simplified equation is:

Estimated deficit (Nov) was = (-)\$7K

Estimated saving on ministry = \$25K

Estimated surplus is now = \$18K

Please don't be fooled however, this estimated surplus has **only** occurred because of part time ministry for the first 6 months of this year; a very good outcome will be necessary from our forthcoming Stewardship Program if we are to be in a position to seek a full time replacement minister later this year.

As you probably know, there are also some urgent property matters that are likely to account for a large part of this estimated surplus.

David

Beyond Seacliff

Just Earth

The Uniting Church Environmental Action Group has recently launched the **Just Earth**' app - a journey of faith with creation. It is beautiful to look at, a reading with inspiring reflection and prayer for each day and perfect quotes from learned people across generations. It also offers ideas for things "To Do" - ways to put our care for the environment into practice. Easy to use, and a fantastic resource for anytime of the day. You can take a look and download the app at the links below. If you need help, see Maureen.

A word from Max

Lenten Study

The composition of the Lenten Study groups appears to be settled.

^ Meeting time for both groups is 1.30 pm.

^ The first meeting for each group will be in the middle hall of our church property; after that, each group can decide where to meet.

^ There does not seem to have been pressure to start this week (4th & 5th), so the Tuesday group will start on the 12th and have 6 weeks, and the Monday group on the 18th, with five.

But stay tuned in case of late changes!!

Profile preparation and Placement process

Just a reminder about our decision last week: collating responses to the Profile document has begun, and Council will receive a report for its meeting of March 12th. Council will then report to a **congregation meeting on March 24th**, for the draft document to be checked, amended as necessary, and referred back to Council for final ratification.

The shape of prayer – how is it different in public worship from private devotion?

This is a session of great relevance to people (like many of us here) who are involved in leading prayer in a public worship setting.

Rosefield Uniting Church, led by Rev Tony Eldridge,
Tues March 26th, 7.30 pm; \$10.

An alternative option for Lenten Study

If you are not able to make either of our time slots here, you might wish to explore *What is truth?* Four sessions, weekly from Friday March 22nd, 12 noon to 1.30 pm over lunch (BYO) at Unley Uniting Church, 187 Unley Rd (cnr Edmund Ave); led by Jonathan and Janeen Barker, total cost \$5.

Maureen and Max have further details.

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Worship Leader for Today: Rev. Dean Davidson HC
Lectionary for Today: 3 March. 2019: **Ex 34: 29-35**
Ps 99; 2 Cor 3; 12- 4: 2; Lk 9: 28-36.
Reminder for Stewards: **10 .3. 2019**
Pearl Wood Bob Haywood

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
newsletter@seacliffuc.org
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.

Interim Ministerial oversight
under arrangement.

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