



**Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 2 June 2019
EASTER 7**

Reflection

created the heavens and the earth.

Now the earth was formless and empty,

darkness was over the surface of the deep,

and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

Genesis 1:1-3

In the beginning, God

Thank you loving God for this world you have given us,
for the beauty in the sunrise and the colours of the sunset.

Thank you for the sound of a river, and the crashing of the waves,
**for the rugged beauty and the depth of colour of the
Australian outback.**

Thank you for the morning dew and the warming sun,
for the intriguing clouds and the rain that quenches thirst.

Thank you for the majestic gum trees and the tiny wild flowers,
**for the life in rock pools and all the life you have given to this
earth.**

As I stand gazing skyward in the night, I am amazed at your
creation beyond my world and that you would love me, even me,
so small and insignificant.

Thank you Creator God for the relationship we have in you.

Amen

From UC e-news

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 until 23.6. 2019, is Rev. Gary Stuckey.

This Week at Seacliff

TakeUs2

6.45pm Tonight 2nd June

Yarn Sisters

10am Thursday 6th June

M&Ms

10am Friday 7th June

What's News

TakeUs2 Sunday June 2nd

Bev and I will take you to Zambia and Tanzania with some pictures, some animals, some stories and anecdotes. Hopefully an interesting and informative time. Also, we have a special treat as Ian and Fay take us to Madagascar. Come along for a start at 6:45pm and enjoy supper later in the evening. Geoff

LONG WEEKEND ACTIVITY

Along with the **BIG BOOK SALE** on **the long weekend. 8th-10th June**, the Women's Day Fellowship are having a Stall on the Saturday, to raise funds for Mission Projects of UCAF (Uniting Church Adult Fellowship) and our church. We will be selling cakes, biscuits, jams, plants, toys and any 'nick-nacks' etc we can find. Because we are a small group of the "Elder Ladies of our congregation" we would really appreciate any donations others offer us. As well as the Stall, we will be offering Morning and Afternoon Tea (or Coffee) with scones, buttered or jam and cream, and maybe even cake for a small cost. Von.

Yarn Sisters

A welcome is extended to anyone who would like to join us next Thursday at the **Seacliff surf lifesaving club at 10am** for a coffee and chat. Bring along anything you've handmade years ago to share with the group. Looking forward to seeing you there!! Heather Gepp

Cogs N Coffee

A big welcome to Gary who braved the elements for his first ride with the group. Seven of us were literally blown to Outer harbour for coffee and train back to Bowden and a bit of harder work to get home. Next week will be time trials, Meet at 8.30am at Warradale Shops and coffee at Nth Adelaide. Brian

AN INVITATION TO MINISTERS AND MEMBERS (UCA of Sth. Aus.)

. LOOKING AHEAD....

Since the November 2018 decision of the SA Presbytery Synod a group of members have been involved in conversation about the formation of new presbyteries in SA. Two open gatherings have been held and over 200 UC members have provided feedback and insights about the vision and role of Presbyteries in the life of the Uniting Church. Many are looking forward to the formation of new presbyteries in 2020 and are convinced this will bring a renewed pastoral ethos through mutual caring and networking.

The group working on follow up to the meetings at Rosefield UC in February and The Corner in April have prepared a proposal to go to the June meeting of Presbytery-Synod. We believe this proposal summarizes insights from these gatherings and will assist congregations plan ahead.

The next gathering on 14th June will begin by outlining the steps taken to reach this point and invite questions and comments. We will then break into three working groups based on three regions in SA including rural and urban: North West, North East and South. Groups will consider the proposal to form three regional presbyters and the implications this has for strengthening and growing our vision for mission and ministry. As the Transitional Presbytery will meet on Saturday June 29th the June 14th gathering will provide background information in preparation for its considerations and decisions.

You and members of your congregation are invited to the gathering on **Friday June 14th** and this will be held at Adelaide West UC, Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park beginning at **7.00pm and concluding by 9.00pm.**

The planning group has adopted the name LOOKING AHEAD and established a web site and Facebook page for your information. Web site includes documents and other resources about progress so far. <https://lookingahead.unitingchurch.org.au/>

On behalf of LOOKING AHEAD... Dean Eland 0419 112 603

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Worship Leader for Today: Rev. Gary Stuckey **HC**
Lectionary for Today: 2nd June 2019: **Acts 16: 16-34;**
Ps 97 ; Rev 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20=21; Jn 17: 20-26.
Reminder for Stewards: **9 .6. 2019**
Pearl Wood Colin Theakstone

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 is in the care of Rev. Gary Stuckey.

Gary's mobile no. is 0488 017 187.

Church Office Information

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