

Uniting Church in Australia SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS Sunday 14 July 2019 Pentecost 5

Psalm 82 A psalm of Asaph.

¹God presides in the great assembly; he renders judgment among the "gods":

- ²"How long will you[®] defend the unjust and show partiality to the wicked?[®]
- ³Defend the weak and the fatherless;

uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.

⁴Rescue the weak and the needy;

deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

⁵"The 'gods' know nothing, they understand nothing. They walk about in darkness;

all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶"I said, 'You are "gods";

you are all sons of the Most High.'

⁷But you will die like mere mortals;

you will fall like every other ruler."

*Rise up, O God, judge the earth,

for all the nations are your inheritance.

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

MovieMatesTime TBA Tuesday 16th JulyMen's Dinner6.30pm Wednesday 17th JulyWomen's Day F/ship1.30 pm Thursday 18th JulyWhat's News

Welcome to Maureen Jennings leading our Service today. Congregation meeting

Please be advised that a meeting of the Congregation of Seacliff Uniting Church is called for **Sunday July 21st, at <u>9.00 am.</u>** Please note the special time.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider a recommendation from the Joint Nominating Committee for a person to be called to fill the Placement at Seacliff. This will be the only item of business for the meeting. Please plan to be there if at all possible.

In accordance with normal practice, the name of the person to be recommended will be made available at the meeting.

The meeting will be chaired by Rev Ian Dow, Chairperson of the Joint Nominating Committee for Seacliff. The early start is to enable Ian to fulfil an existing worship and preaching appointment at another congregation nearby.

Sunday worship will follow the meeting, followed in turn by morning tea in the usual pattern. Max Howland (Chairperson)

Men's Dinner for July

The Men's dinner on **Wednesday 17th July** has a home ground venue for this month. Meet at t6.30pm for 7.00 at the **Seacliff UC** hall for a 3 course dinner with tea and coffee for \$25.00. BYO drink if desired

Contact Dene Goldsack for attendance advice or information on 8296 1046. Dene

Cogs N Coffee

On Wednesday eleven riders rode from Hove to Plant 4 Bowden via the Torrens River cycle path. The winds were brisk, the riding tempo was brisk and the coffee enjoyed.

Next week the group will meet 8-30am at Addison Rd Warradale shops for Brian to lead the group on a mystery ride. Bruce

WOMENS DAY FELLOWSHIP

Our meeting, this coming Thursday,18th July, 2019, I s a visit by Libby Dixon who is going to share some of her skills with us. Just a reminder that instead of our usual monetary donations we can bring a grocery or personal item to be donated to Brighton Community Care. Visitors are welcome to our group which meets at 1:30pm in the small hall. Afternoon tea will be served. Von

😻 Notes from the Treasurer

I have completed the financial records for the EOFY and presented a report to Church Council on Tuesday. These are the highlights for the congregation FYI:

- Funds raised and allocated so far are: **Oodnadatta Mission Project** \$890 [Bangladesh Project (Tarcisius) \$1195 [School Chaplains (Book Sale) \$2334
- 2. Funds raised and not yet definitely allocated: Election Day stalls \$2408 Book Sale stalls \$704

3. We have received an invoice (which we will pay) from UCA for \$217.62 as our contribution towards 'Redress' for victims of institutional sexual assault as a result of the Federal Royal Commission.

4. We have also made a significant saving (~\$20K) on ministry costs so far this year and CC and P&F are currently considering the best ways to employ these funds that we were not originally expecting to have, including refurbishments to our property to bring it into line with contemporary standards, bearing in mind the survey undertaken earlier this year.

We have decided to change our lawn mowing contractor for the coming 12 months. David

Report to the Congregation from Church Council meeting – 9th July

A primary responsibility of Church Council is the pastoral care of our people and keeping our property a physically safe environment. With this in mind:

- Andrew Telfer, as Safe Church Officer, is overseeing all the requirements to do with Working With Children (and all vulnerable people) checks. Andrew will be in touch with all those involved soon.
- We are taking steps to bring our property up to current standards with regard to temperature control, we will also replace the aging electrical meter board in the church.

As mentioned in David's report in this week's newsletter, our situation with ministry placement this year has resulted in reduced expenditure on ministers' stipends, releasing funds to enable this work to proceed. The survey we conducted earlier this year is informing our decisions as well.

We are reviewing our arrangements for delivering pastoral care at Seacliff, both formally and informally. We'll bring you information about that as soon as we can. A small part of that is the listing on our noticeboard of the names of our Church Council members – if you have any concerns about any matters around the place, please know you are welcome to contact any of these people. You will see that Dennis is not included on the list – Dennis has advised us that he has resigned from Council. We will miss his wisdom and perception – and quiet humour!!

The ending of the Community Outreach Mission Network also means that there are accumulated funds available for

redistribution back to congregations – we don't know exactly how much this will be, but we commit ourselves to being good stewards of it.

Max Howland

Music in worship

There are two events coming up soon for anybody interested in worship music.

August 4th – at Brougham Place Uniting Church, North Adelaide, 3-5 pm: 6 communities sharing the music the sing, some songs that may be a little unusual, some that are new. Presented by CMLA – the Centre for Music, Liturgy and the Arts; gold coin donation for afternoon tea.

August 24th – at Concordia College Chapel, Highgate, 7pm. Robin Mann will present 50 years of his songs, along with Dorothy Mann and Kinderkrist and a "band of angels". In support of ALWS supporting schools for refugees in Africa, \$20. For bookings information speak to Max or Maureen.

Early notice – "Conversations and explorations with friends ... - worship in the 21st century", October 8-10, St Andrews by the Sea. Presented by CMLA.

Worship Leaders for Today: Maureen Jennings Lectionary for Today:, 14th July 2019: Am 7:7-17; Ps 82; Col 1:1-14; Lk 10: 25-37. Reminder for Stewards: 21 .7. 2019 Margaret Tucker Von Bollinger

,Welcome to our Church.

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. <u>Morning tea</u> 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 <u>newsletter@seacliffuc.org</u> 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.

Church Office Information

Open Thursday and Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm ☎ 8296 1517 Email: office@seacliffuc.org Website: www.seacliffuc.org