

Uniting Church in Australia SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS Sunday 6 October 2019 Pentecost 17

PSALM: LAMENTATIONS 3: 19-26

God, in my distress I go round in circles, and my mouth feels bitter with bile.

I can't get my worries out of my head, my soul seems as heavy as lead.

Now is the time for me to focus on you, to have hope and be positive.

For your love is never in debit and your grace knows no limit.

Your mercies are new each morning, so wonderful is your faithfulness.

"God is my fortune," is my song, therefore my hope is forever young.

God is good to those who wait patiently, and blesses the soul who seeks sincerely.

There is nothing better than to wait quietly and bask in the salvation of God, faithfully.

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. Our Minister is Rev. Gary Stuckey. Gary is on two weeks leave from 30th Sept. to Tuesday Oct. 15th. 2019.

This Week at Seacliff 6.45pm Sunday 13th October What's News

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TakeUs2

During our Working Bee recently a man's wrist watch was found and left in the kitchen. It is a silver Citizen watch and although it isn't going, it looks quite good. If it is yours or you know the owner, speak to Von.

Christmas Dinner tickets

Annette and Geoff are not here this morning (i.e. 6/10) to sell tickets but should be back next week (13/10) to accept your money or give you a \$10 refund if you wish.

David

Men's Dinner

The next Men's Dinner will be held on Wednesday **16thOctober** at the **Flagstaff Hotel, South Rd. Darlington**. Meet at 6.30 pm for 7.00. For further information, or if you need a ride, please contact Ray on 0434 825 038.

Notes from the Treasurer - A few updates FYI:

- 1. The **Air-conditioning** and associated electrical work has been completed at a total cost of \$22,656.65 (incl. GST). Our thanks for Max and Maureen for managing this. In answer to a question, this has been financed from the savings made on ministry costs over the past 12 months or so.
- 2. Following the recent Working Bee we have replaced the **Hot Water Service** for the kitchen at a cost of \$920, it should last another 10 years!. Thanks to Brian for helping with this project and rebuilding the cupboard.
- 3. The **stormwater pipes** have been cleaned out (cost \$275), first time for many years, we found a lot of leaves and mud together with some broken glass and tennis balls! Thanks to John Bollinger for bringing this to our attention and helping with this task.
- 4. Currently completing the **accounts** for this quarter and will present an analysis and a proposed **budget** for 2020 to CC at its next mtg on Oct 24 and subsequently present a report to the AGM on Nov 17th for consideration and ratification.

 David

Cogs n Coffee

Riding along bush tracks, through knee high grass, navigating through stiles and looking for a lost rider, all part of the cogs n coffee experience, along with great coffee and fellowship at the Blue Wave. Next week meet at Wattle Reserve at 8.30 am. Brian

AGM

A reminder that the **Congregation AGM** will be held on Sunday Nov 17th, starting no later than 11.00 am.

People responsible for annual reports – please have them in Rosemary's hands by **Nov 3**rd for inclusion in the reports package. We will receive reports and conduct annual elections at the same meeting: this will mean that, unlike in previous years, there will very limited scope (if any at all) for matters that are not normally considered AGM items.

Non-AGM items will probably need to be held over for an "ordinary" Congregation meeting early next year. *However*, if there are matters of this nature that you think need to be talked through, pleased advise Rosemary or Max, so that we can give due notice that a meeting is needed.

Moving beyond white fragility & Saviour complex for partnership with Aboriginal Australians

Dr Tanya Riches engages in research that attempts to further reconciliation between indigenous and non-indigenous Australians by bringing attention to the work of Indigenous Christian leaders. She also leads the Inclusive Research Network, which amplifies voices of Australians with intellectual disabilities.

Dr Riches will deliver the 2019 Flinders University / Adelaide College of Divinity Annual Theology Lecture, under the title above, at Uniting College on *Monday 21*st *October, at 7pm*.

Tanya's lecture argues that, rather than reconciliation, the Uluru Statement calls for *Makarrara*, "a coming together after a struggle." She critically examines the future role of white women in co-production of knowledge with Aboriginal Christians in light of the biblical mandate of 2 Corinthians 5:17-20.

<u>Venue</u>: Uniting College for Leadership & Theology, 312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park. Supper is provided – please advise the College if you are planning to attend.

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Worship Leaders for Today: Rev. Jim Winn HC

Lectionary for Today 6 October 2019: Lam 1: 1-6; Ps 137;

2 Tim 1: 1 – 14; Lk 17: 5 -10.

Reminder for Stewards: 13 .10. 2019
John Bollinger Brian Gepp

,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.

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