



Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 10 November 2019
Pentecost 22



Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
his right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.

²The Lord has made his salvation known
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

³He has remembered his love
and his faithfulness to Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth,
burst into jubilant song with music;

⁵make music to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of singing,

⁶with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn—

shout for joy before the Lord, the King.

Psalm 98

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.

This Week at Seacliff

Women's Night Fellowship 7.30pm Wed. 13th November
M&M's Ladies Group 10am Friday 15th November

What's News

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION will be held next **SUNDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER**, starting at 11 am. It will include:

RECEIVING ANNUAL REPORTS:

If you have not forwarded an annual report for which you are responsible to Rosemary please do so TODAY so the papers can be circulated and limited copies printed on Tuesday.

ELECTIONS FOR POSITIONS OF SERVICE:

The list of this year's people is attached to the door of the cupboard in the middle hall.

If you are serving this year in any capacity, please indicate whether you are available to continue in 2019.

If there is a position you do not currently fill but for which you would like to offer yourself, please add your name to the list.

ALL elected positions become vacant and are open to anyone who wishes to be nominated. Max Howland, Chairperson

Further to the notice about the AGM:

The Presbytery/Synod meets for its Annual Meeting next Thursday-Saturday. The final part of its business will be to formally establish [this is the plan!!] the 2 new Presbyteries, and hold the first meeting for them. By next Sunday morning, (in time for our AGM) we will know how that has all turned out – and whether there are any particular ramifications for us at Seacliff.

News from Saturday will be conveyed during worship on the 17th, but any discussion that's needed will need to wait until the AGM time. *Watch this space!!!* Max

WOMENS NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Our next meeting is this coming **Wednesday, 13th November, at 7.30 pm**, when we can share some *"Hidden Treasures in the Linen Cupboard"*. Mary will be leading the program and the Green Group are the hosts for the night. Look forward to seeing as many members as possible on the night. Von

Men's Dinner for Christmas

The next Men's Dinner will be held **on Wednesday, 20th November in the Church Hall**. This will be our Christmas meeting and Von and her band of helpers will treat us to a 3 course meal. Approx. cost will be \$25. Meet at 6.30 pm for 7.00. For further information, or if you need a ride, please contact Ray on 0434 825 038. Ray

Takeus2 in 2020

We have had our final meeting for this year. Next year will be the 10th and final year of this group, in its present format at least. If you would like to host a Sunday evening please tell me where you would like to 'Takeus2' and the months that would suit you. I need this information asap and by end of November at the latest please. Later next year, members of the group will be able to discuss and decide if/why/how the group might continue in 2021. David

Cogs n Coffee

Last

Wednesday, the ride was to Willunga and we welcomed Andrew back after his stint away. A little breezy along the track, otherwise a great ride except for Bob who hadn't charged his battery properly and was running out of power.

Next week, the group will be camped at Milang for four nights, as part of our S.A. ride experience. Visitors welcome! Brian

Beyond Seacliff

Installation of the new Moderator of UCA SA

Brougham Place Uniting Church 193 Brougham Pl, North
Adelaide 13 November 2019 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Event details

Bronte Wilson will be installed as the new Moderator of the Uniting Church in Australia, Synod of South Australia, as part of the proceedings of the Synod's AGM.

While the Synod meeting will take place at Adelaide West Uniting Church from 14-16 November, Bronte's installation service will be held on the Wednesday evening prior to the Synod meeting at Brougham Place UC. All are welcome to attend .

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Worship Leader for Today: **Rev. Gary Stuckey**
Lectionary for Today: **10 November 2019: Hag 1:15b – 2:9.**
Ps 98 or 145:1-5, 17-21; 2 Thes 2: 1-5, 13-17; Lk 20: 17 - 28.

Reminder for Stewards: **17.11. 2019**
Pearl Wood Margaret Tucker

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.

Our Minister is Rev. Gary Stuckey.

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Church Office Information

Open Thursday and Friday

9.30am – 12.30pm

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Seacliff Uniting Church Council Report to Congregation from the meeting of 24th October 2019.

Discipleship

As advertised in the weekly newsletter a couple of weeks ago, we will run a set of Advent Studies – a set of 3 – in the first 3 weeks of December. Everyone is most warmly invited to attend; we look forward to a time of rich learning and growth in faith.

Mission

Thank you to all the people who purchased a copy of Gary's CD recently, and to those who contributed to the We Dream Mission Project in the process. \$80 was contributed to that fund.

We have ordered this year's Christmas letterbox cards. Christmas is one of the times when people are a little more open than usual to hearing something of the Christian message, and Pine Tree provides us with a different context as well, so we look forward to all the cards being distributed.

In a similar vein, a pamphlet is being prepared for distribution to appropriate local service groups and businesses: it will have a listing of all the groups and activities we run at Seacliff.

Our church community

Occasionally (and thankfully only occasionally) somebody experiences a medical emergency while attending a church event on our premises. To help us obtain medical help more quickly, we are setting up a Next-of-Kin register, with a form that will contain contact information for next of kin, and permission to call an ambulance if necessary. **Participation in this scheme will be entirely voluntary**, but if you think it could be helpful for you, please collect a form (they'll be available soon) and complete it. The information will be kept safe.

Another part of our community life is to keep in touch with happenings in the wider church community; we have arranged to obtain 30 copies of the SA UCA calendar for 2020, with its stories about what churches are doing, and the weekly list of scripture

readings. The cost to us as a congregation is \$3 each; you are most welcome to take one when they become available: if you would like to make a gold-coin donation towards the cost, that would be gratefully received.

Just to let you know also that we are exploring the possibilities of a church camp next year. Early days yet – at the time of writing, the plan is for an insert in this week's newsletter. If you think you could be at all interested in participating, *watch this space!*

Administrivia

A reminder about our **AGM** on **Sunday Nov 17th**, from 11.00 am. We will receive annual reports and elect people to service positions for 2020, so it won't be a short meeting. But we look forward to hearing exciting and inspiring reports about activities and developments here that will inspire us further as we move into the next year.

An item late on the agenda will be a proposal for the date of an ordinary meeting next year, at which we will, among other things, conduct the election for membership of Church Council, and select our mission project(s) for 2020.

And a really, really early notice: I'm currently working through the large number of old files that need to be sent to archive storage (or the alternative "storage"!!). one of the things it's reminding me about is that we have centenary anniversaries coming up: the Methodist church in 1921 and the Presbyterian in 1922. These will be great occasions to reflect on our heritage, and to think how that heritage can enable us better to be the people of God in this area.

Max.