

Uniting Church in Australia SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS Sunday 12 July 2020 Pentecost 6



The Parable of the Sower

Mathew 13

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. ² Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. ³ Then he told them many things in parables, saying: "A farmer went out to sow his seed. ⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵ Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶ But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. ⁸ Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. ⁹ Whoever has ears, let them hear."

Welcome to the Seacliff Uniting Church web site Our Minister is Rev. Gary Stuckey.

What's News

Message from Church Council

'<u>Good News'</u> -

Seacliff UC Sunday Worship Services will resume on **August 2nd at 9:30 am**.

We are planning to celebrate this exciting event and are looking for ideas from the Seacliff UC Community.

Please contact myself or Rosemary Thomson if you have any creative thoughts or ideas that we can use in our Worship or in our time of Fellowship after the Service.

As we move closer to the date we will let you know how we plan to incorporate the SA Government's social distance and hospitality regulations into our re-opening Celebrations and future Worship.

For the next 3 weeks Worship Services will continue to be videoed on Wednesdays at 2 pm and resources emailed to you. All are welcome and no booking is required.

Just a reminder, please attend only if you are feeling safe and well. Zoom discussions at 10am on Sunday will also continue until we begin Sunday Worship on August 2nd.

Annette Craven

Minister on leave

Gary will be on leave from **Monday 6th July to Tuesday** 21st July.

Men's Dinner

We are pleased to announce that our Men's Dinner night will recommence, starting next **Wednesday, 15th July**. The venue is the **Esplanade Hotel** at **Brighton**. Gather at 6.30pm for a meal at 7pm.

We have booked for the usual numbers but could you please let Dene or Ray know **by next Tuesday**, if you are intending to attend, so we can advise the hotel if there is any significant change. Also, if you need a ride, contact Dene 8296 1046 or Ray 8298 3480.

Cogs n Coffee

A big welcome to Richard Lane, who joined 15 others to do the ride to Willunga, all of us attempting to shake off the winter blues on a bright sunny day.

Next weeks ride is from the shops near the Waradale train station at 8.30am. Brian

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL

I'd like to say a very big and sincere thank you to everyone for the prayers, meals, support and care that you have given me over the past three weeks while I've been coping with the strangeness and 'disability' of a broken wrist

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The medicos are happy with my progress and I am now well on the road to recovery. Thank you. Josie

Prayer Points from UC E-News

This week we pray for:

- The people of Victoria, particularly its health workers and government officials, as they work to stop the spread of a COVID-19 outbreak.
- The 1.4 million Australians who are currently relying on emergency relief from community service agencies like UnitingCare.

From Reflections - UC E-News

Start the day with hope Do all the good you can Share kindness and compassion

End the day with gratitude.

Rev Wendy Prior,

Sunday morning worship now also online - see Church website: <u>www.seacliffuc.net</u>.

Lectionary for Today: **12 July 2020: Gn 25: 19 - 34;** Ps 119:105 - 112; Rom 8: 1 – 11; Mt 13: 1 – 9, 18 - 23.

Church Office Closure

Please be advised that the Church Office has closed for the foreseeable future. The phone will be monitored remotely so messages can be left, and emails can be sent to <u>office@seacliffuc.org</u> which will also be monitored remotely. Our church website will be continually updated with the current weekly <u>Newsletter</u> and monthly <u>Outlook</u> which will keep us informed of our church life.

Items for the Newsletter

Please email items to: newsletter@seacliffuc.org by 6.00pm on Wednesdays. If you do not have access to email, please phone the church office and it will be forwarded for you.

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