

Uniting Church in Australia SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS Sunday 29 November 2020

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PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO FACE TO FACE WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, 29th NOVEMBER. WORSHIP NOTES WILL BE EMAILED LATER IN THE WEEK and A ZOOM DISCUSSION GROUP WILL BE HELD AT 10 a.m. ON SUNDAY.

MARK 13

²⁶ "At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.²⁷ And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.

²⁸ "Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. ²⁹ Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that it^[b] is near, right at the door. ³⁰ Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

The Day and Hour Unknown

³² "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

Church Office Closure

The Church Office has closed for the current Lockdown period. The phone will be monitored remotely so messages can be left, emails sent to office@seacliffuc.org will also be monitored. Our church website will be continually updated with the weekly newsletter and monthly Outlook keeping us informed of our church life.

This Week at Seacliff Yarn Sisters 10am Thursday 3rd December

What's News SUSPENSION OF WORSHIP SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES DUE TO NEW COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

"As always, the spiritual, physical and emotional health of our church community members is paramount." Bronte Wilson, Moderator. November 18, 2020.

The following decisions were made by Seacliff Church Leaders in conjunction with Synod and SA Government to keep our Community safe and comfortable:

- Sunday Morning Worship Services will be suspended for 2 Sundays (22nd and 29 November) or until we are informed that it is safe to go back to face to face worship.
- Printed Worship Resources and Notices will be emailed during the week.
- A Zoom discussion will be held at 10am Sunday coordinated by Max. Please see this week's Notices for details.
- All meetings and activities held in our church buildings will be suspended for the immediate future.
- Seacliff UC Christmas Dinner planned for Wednesday November 25 will now be rescheduled to a date yet to be decided.
- The Annual Congregation meeting planned for Sunday November 29 will be deferred until the New Year.
- The **Church Office** is closed until further notice.
- Pastoral Care If you need to talk to someone during this time please don't hesitate to contact a friend, one of our Church leaders or Rev. Gary Stuckey. Please keep caring, connecting and communicating with each other.

Annette

Advent Reflection Groups

As with most things in 2020, the Advent Reflection groups will be a little different this year. Firstly, they will proceed on the days nominated: Tuesday Dec 1, 8, 15 at 10:30am and Thursday Dec 3, 10, 17 at 2:00pm, held in the middle hall at Seacliff UC. The difference is that as COVID restrictions currently apply, there will be a maximum of 9 per group possible. Of course, this may change later this week and as we move into next week- we'll have to wait and see. If numbers change I'll let you know. As we need to operate under COVID restrictions we will need people to nominate which day they will attend. Changing between days will not at this time be possible. And because of the numbers limitation I will need people to let me know on which day they will come. Unfortunately, unless, as I said above, numbers change,

If you would like to attend please let me (Gary) know ASAP via email at gstu@internode.on.net or my mobile 0488 017 187. (If I can't answer please leave a message.) If we happen to exceed the numbers permissible I will let you know.

this will be limited to the first 9 nominating for each day.

Thank you for your understanding. I look forward to sharing this Advent time with you. Peace Gary Stuckey (Rev)



Notes from the Treasurer

Attention all Stewards

In the absence of Bruce's services with recording and banking our Offerings in future, I have consulted with some of you and decided to modify the recording format slightly to begin **next year**. I have placed 'Sample Sheets' in the cupboard with the current forms FYI and welcome any questions you may have. Also, happy to organise a short meeting after church one morning if there is the need to do so. Thank you for your ongoing service as a Steward, it is appreciated by all.

David G

Yarn Sisters

Our final meeting for 2020 will be on Thursday 3rd December at the SSLC at 10am. If you have any Christmas ideas please bring them along to share! See you there!

Heather

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Sunday morning worship suspended see Church website Lectionary for Today: 29 November 2020: Is 64: 1 – 9;

Ps 80: 1-7, 17-19; 1 Cor 1: 3 – 9; Mk 13: 24 - 37.

Reminder for Stewards: 6 December 2020

Roster suspended until advised due to Covid Restrictions

,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. According to our Covid plan, please note the seating arrangements within the building for your safety.

Items for the Newsletter

Please email items to newsletter@seacliffuc.org by 5pm 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

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