

Uniting Church in Australia SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS Sunday 20 February 2022 Epiphany 7



Love for Enemies

³² "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. ³³ And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that. ³⁴ And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. ³⁵ But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. ³⁶ Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Judging Others

³⁷ "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. ³⁸ Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

This Week

Adult Fellowship 1.30pm Wednesday 23 Feb. What's News

Welcome

During the service next Sunday (Feb27), we will have the delight of welcoming Judy Shaw into membership at Seacliff Uniting. In welcoming Judy, we look forward to the years of fellowship and shared service together in this family of God.

Meditation Sessions

The first meditation sessions for 2022 will be on March 8th at 10:30am and March 10th at 2:00pm. These are a follow up to the introduction to meditation series which I offered last June. If you did not attend that series you are still very welcome at these sessions.

When we meet, we spend a few minutes catching up and reviewing what we covered the previous month, this is followed by a short talk which explores meditation further, we then meditate for 20 minutes and we conclude with a short sharing and question time. The whole session lasts about an hour. We meet in the middle hall at Seacliff UC. Gary

Revive Service Sunday 20th February

The first Revive service at Brighton Uniting Church (443 Brighton Road, Brighton) for 2022 will be held on Sunday 20th February at 4.00pm in the large Fellowship Hall through the small gate at the end of our garden.

Rev Frances Bartlett will be leading us through our time together. Open your body, mind and soul to the Spirit through gentle prayerful movement. Discover ways to energise, release tension and bring healing. Friends, family, and neighbours are welcome.

Day Fellowship

Our next meeting is Wed, **23rd February at 1.30pm** in the Church hall. We are looking forward to hearing from Marilyn Stuckey who is going to tell us about Training a Guide Dog. Blue Group will be on duty.

Reminders:

For today and next week:

AGM – will be conducted <u>today</u>, commencing at about 11 am. As previously advised, we also need to look at: Mission Projects support, a Coordinator for the church office, and any response to the building work on our southern boundary starting in April.

The *Election to Church Council* will be conducted as the first item of business of the AGM. We have two nominees – Rosemary Thomson and Geoff Lister – both for terms of 3 years. Each needs the endorsement of the majority of voting members in order to be elected.

National Church Life Survey is being conducted this month. For those of us who prefer to complete a <u>paper form</u>, they will be provided <u>next Sunday 27th February</u>. We ask people who wish to complete the survey this way to remain for a few minutes after worship that day to fill in the form. We have about 30 forms available. *However*, there is also provision for us to fill in an online version of the form instead: Rosemary handed out details for the login to a number of people last Sunday. That information, together with our Seacliff code, was included in the mailout a few days ago. If in any doubt, please speak to Rosemary today or next week. When you complete the form, please do use our local code, so that your responses are included in Seacliff UC results.

Rosemary adds: Those of us who have done it on-line found it easy to follow and while taking 10-15 minutes it takes less time than using the paper option. Max

Cogs n Coffee

A dozen of us endured light rain as we rode to McClaren Vale, where four called it quits and had their coffee there. The rain stopped and the rest of us pushed on to Willunga, a great ride. For next week's ride, meet at Belair train station at 8.30am for a ride through National Park and coffee at Joan's Pantry. Brian

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 Worship Leader for Today: Rev Garry Stuckey

 Lectionary for Today: 20 February 2022: Jen 45: 3 -11,15;

 Ps 37:1 -11, 39 - 40; 1 Cor15: 35 - 38, 42 - 50; Lk 6: 27 - 38.

 Reminder for Stewards:
 27 February 2022

 Bob Heywood
 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. 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. Contact : Mobile : 0488 017 187, Home phone : 8270.2862 email : minister@seacliffuc.org

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