



Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 27 March 2022
Lent 4



¹⁶ So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:^[a] The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

²⁰ We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹ God made him who had no sin to be sin^[b] for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

This Week

TakeUs2

6pm Tonight 27th March

Lent Reflection

10.30am Tuesday 29th March

2 pm Thursday 31st March

Contemplative Worship 7pm Sunday 3rd April

What's News

Lent Reflection

At Seacliff UC, for our Lent Reflection this year, **Two groups** will meet; on **Tuesday, 29th of March** at 10:30am and **Thursday, 31st of March** at 2:00pm. running through Lent. Any questions, please feel free to speak with me. Gary Stuckey (Rev)

Contemplative Worship

It seems that we are living in an increasingly busy, noisy and fast paced world. Where and how can we find some peace and quiet?

One way is in Contemplative Worship, a service of stillness, silence and reflection.

The next Contemplative Worship will be at **Seacliff UC April 3rd**.

It will commence at 7:00pm and run for about an hour, followed by light refreshments for those who wish to stay and mingle.

The service will include quiet music, often from the Taize community, readings, a short reflection followed by a period for personal reflection in silence, Holy Communion and prayer.

This is an opportunity to come into the quiet and find grace and peace to restore your soul.

If you have any questions please contact Rev Gary Stuckey (0488 017 187) or gstu@internode.on.net

Quiet Days at Seacliff

Seacliff Uniting Church will be offering four Quiet Days in 2022 focusing on the works of Henri Nouwen.

The second of these days will be on Tuesday April 26 running from 9:30am-3:00pm. Further details will come in the next couple of weeks. Gary



Notes from the Treasurer

The proceeds for the Election Day stalls have now been finalised as follows:

Stall	Nett receipts(\$)	Allocations	Amounts(\$)
BBQ	454	Community Garden	409
		Church costs (*10%)	45
Produce	578	'We Dream' Project	857
Plants	1326	Circle of Friends	857
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>1904</i>	Church costs (*10%)	190
Totals	2358		2358

- *It is Church Council policy to deduct 10% from fund raising activities like these to help cover costs incurred i.e. electricity, water, gas, maintenance.
- As a result, the 'Circle of Friends' Account was \$1127 which I have paid on immediately.
- As a result, the 'We Dream' Account now stands at \$2560, of which \$1080 is committed for payment in August, and the remainder to be decided by Max and the Congregation in due course.

Ukraine Refugee Appeal

As mentioned a few weeks ago, we are accepting donations for this Appeal (via 'Act for Peace'). This is obviously a desperate situation so we need to act swiftly. I have received several donations already and will forward the total that I have received immediately after next Sunday April 3rd. Please put any donations in a labelled envelope and in the Offering Bowl or via our Bank Account with a note.

David



TAKEUS2

TakeUs2 Travel Program for 2022 will begin tonight. Rosemary will have the pleasure of taking us on an amazing journey through some of the most beautiful and historical parts of **Ireland**. The evening will begin at 6pm with soup and sandwiches and the presentation will start at 6:30pm. We will break for supper at 7:30pm and the evening will conclude at 8:45pm. All are very welcome.

Takeus2 will be bi-monthly in 2022. The other dates for your diary are May 29, July 31, September 25 and November 27.

Annette and Geoff Craven.

Cogs n Coffee

On Wednesday, twelve riders rode to Goodwood, then through Unley, Parkside and the parklands to Victoria Park. Good coffee was enjoyed at The Velo.

This coming Wednesday, Brian will return from Ocean Grove (Vic) and lead the ride from Wattle Reserve at 8-30am.

Bruce

LAST THOUGHTS ON THE PLANT SALE

A wonderful effort with a wonderful result. Merry and I would like to add some final notes,

1) THANKS to EVERYONE who got involved in all sorts of ways and saved the show (on many occasions) when we were pretty much out of options. Without that team effort, it could not have happened. Again, *thanks*.

2) NO THANKS to Merry and me other than as in 1) above.

3) YES PLEASE! Look after plants you have taken as best you can. The next election is too close for a monster plant bash but we should have enough held over to make a fair showing.

If you need help at any stage, please call us and we'll make arrangements. Finally, team, we done good!

Colin

Lent Event

A reminder that Lent Event, sponsored by the Assembly of the UCA, is with us this year.

We are all invited to contribute to the work of UnitingWorld via www.lentevent.com.au or via an envelope, clearly labelled, placed in the offering bowl.

With the newsletter this week is an image inviting us to ponder how we might be able to make the world a better place for people in need.

Max

I'M WALKING 10,000 STEPS A DAY TO RAISE FUNDS FOR WATER AND SANITATION IN COMMUNITIES."

MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE THIS LENT.

Join a team or create your own challenge →

I'M CUTTING BACK ON USE OF PLASTIC TO RAISE FUNDS FOR PEOPLE IMPACTED BY CLIMATE-RELATED DISASTERS."

I'M LIMITING SCREENS AND DEVICES TO RAISE FUNDS FOR KIDS' EDUCATION."

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Worship Leader for Today Rev. Gary Stuckey
Lectionary for Today: **27 th March: Jos 5: 9 - 12; Ps 32;
2 Cor 5: 16 - 21; Lk 15: 1 – 3, 11b - 32.**
Reminder for Stewards: 3 April 2022
Bob Heywood 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. 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.

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