



**Uniting Church in Australia**  
**SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS**  
**Sunday 4 September 2022**  
**PENTECOST 13**



### **The Cost of Being a Disciple**

**Luke 14: 25 - 33**

<sup>25</sup> Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: <sup>26</sup> "If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

<sup>28</sup> "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? <sup>29</sup> For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, <sup>30</sup> saying, 'This person began to build and wasn't able to finish.'

<sup>31</sup> "Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

## This Week

**Uniting Conversations** 7 pm Tonight 4<sup>th</sup> Sept.  
**Book Club** 1.30pm Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September  
**Meditation Time** 2pm Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September

## What's News

### Meditation – September 8

The next meditation session will be at **2pm** on Thursday **September 8th** with the focus on “Sources of Wisdom”. *“The life of wisdom must be a life of contemplation combined with action”- M Scott Peck.* All are welcome – no previous attendance necessary. For questions or information, please speak with Gary.

### Donate a Doona Request

If anyone has any spare clean synthetic doonas or quilts, they can be used to make mattresses for rescued native animals. Cotton fabric is also needed to make pouches and mattress covers. Narrow ribbon (6 or 10 mm) is also needed for the pouches. Synthetic blankets would also be warmly received. If you can help out, please bring the items to church by **Sept 11** and I will collect and deliver them. Thank you. Marilyn Stuckey



### RSPCA Cupcake Day Morning Tea

Thank you everyone (cupcake bakers, generous donators, cupcake eaters) for helping to make my fundraiser for the RSPCA so successful! Sunday's morning tea raised \$196, which together with online donations of \$146 came to the amazing total of \$342 (I set out to raise \$250!). It was yet another Seacliff UC event that had a lovely community feel, which continued to spill out into the wider community, with several people taking cupcakes with them to visit friends, and some cupcakes for afternoon tea at the Community Garden working bee.

Maureen

## Cogs n Coffee

Did the plant 4 ride Wednesday morning, very pretty along Sturt creek and the Torrens with the Wattle in flower, credit to the councils the way the tracks are kept.

Welcome to Maxine, who again joined us after a long break. Meet at Wattle Reserve at 9.00 am for next weeks ride.

Brian



## Uniting Conversations

In these uncertain times there are and will continue to be increasing numbers of people who are refugees coming to Australia whether for political, economic, climate or other reasons.

Listening to refugees and their advocates and hearing their stories is important before we can understand how best to offer assistance to them. *Walking in Refugees' Shoes* is an event being held on **Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup> from 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm** at the Seacliff Uniting church, 5 Wheatland Street, Seacliff.

### PANELISTS:

***Sanzhuan (Sandra) Guo***

*Sandra* is a Senior Lecturer in Law at Flinders University. She is an accredited immigration law specialist in Australia.

***Meredith Evans***

*Meredith* is a Sister of Mercy who has been accompanying refugees and asylum seekers since 2011.

***Zahra and Rahela Ahsani***

*Zahra and Rahela* are sisters, originally from Afghanistan who are passionate about advocacy and access to education for girls and women.

For more information and to book for this event please visit: **Uniting Conversations - Walking in Refugees' Shoes**  
**Tickets, Sun 04/09/2022 at 7:00 pm | Eventbrite**

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Worship Leader for Today: Maureen Howland **HC**  
Lectionary for Today: **4 September 2022: Jer 18: 1 - 11;**  
**Ps 139: 1 - 6, 13 - 18; Plhm : 1 - 21; Lk 14: 25 - 33.**  
Reminder for Stewards: 11 September 2022  
Bob Heywood                  Pauline Galliford

### **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](mailto: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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