



**Uniting Church in Australia**  
**SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS**  
**Sunday 30 April 2023**  
**EASTER 4**



### **The Good Shepherd and His Sheep**

10 “Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.” <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.

<sup>7</sup>Therefore Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

## This Week.

**Take Us 2  
Book Club  
Meditation  
Yarn Sisters**

**Tonight 6pm Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
2pm Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
2pm Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May  
10am Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**

## What's News

### Meditation

The next gathering for meditation will be **Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm** in the middle hall with the theme '*The Work of Silence.*'

### Quiet Day

Continuing the theme of the theme of "*The Seasons of Life*", we will reflect on winter at our next quiet day on **May 16<sup>th</sup>**. What do we learn from this season which slows down and rests? The session will run from **9:30am - 12:30 pm**. You may like to bring your lunch and stay and share more time with other retreatants.

Gary



### TAKE US 2

Tonight at 6 p.m. starting with a light meal. Then I will take you on my travels through Cornwall, the Lakes District, Yorkshire, Chester, Shrewsbury where I visited the **Quarry Garden**, and Wales. Hope you can come.

Rosemary



### **Change of day for Yarn Sisters**

The ladies have decided that the background chattering at the SSLC on Thursdays was inhibiting our chatter and we just couldn't have that!!! So, it was decided to move our meeting from the first Thursday in the month to the first Friday of the month from now on.

We would love new folk to come and join us. We're a creative group and enjoy using our hands but it's quite ok to sit, chat and have a coffee, as we also plan fund raising events so all ideas are very welcome.

*Heather Gepp*

### **Cogs n' Coffee**

On a blustery morning, a dozen of us caught the train to Seaford and rode back along the Coast to Vines trail. Coffee was had in Old Reynella and we then continued on the trail back to Seacliff. For next weeks ride, we will meet at Wattle Reserve at 8.30am for a ride Nth along the Coast.

*Brian*

### **Security Screen Door**

Please develop a habit of locking the security screen door when leaving the building. The new door locks easily and is significant in providing additional security.

*Geoff*

## Spring Break - November Camp

For a number of years, Brian Gepp has organised a cycle camps and these have become increasingly popular. An encouraging aspect has been the number of non-riders who have joined the camps. (In fact, they have been essential).

For various reasons Brian is unable to commit to a camp this spring and I have volunteered, after discussion with Brian, to coordinate a camp in the Barossa Valley. I anticipate that people will "volunteer" to look after different aspects.

We will be offering alternatives to cycling, for example, a visit to the organ in Tanunda, longer or shorter walks in Kaiserstuhl Conservation Park etc. The camp will not be too structured and there will be an afternoon get-together with **suggestions** for the following day.

The camp will be based on Tanunda Caravan Park as follows.

- Thursday 9th November arrive
- Friday 10th Cycle or
- Saturday 11th Cycle or .....
- Sunday 12th Rest day – trip back to Seacliff or involve with local Church
- Monday 13th Cycle or.....
- Tuesday 14th Cycle or Rest day....
- Wednesday 15th Cycle or ....
- Thursday 16th depart

Please make your own booking, as prices at the park change almost daily we have not negotiated any deals with them. I ran a camp at Tanunda last year and the Safari Tents were very popular and enjoyed. Also there are a number of two bedroom cabins and some people may prefer to share in order to reduce cost.

Finally feel free to book longer or shorter stays.

When you have made a booking please send an email to [gjb2lister@gmail.com](mailto:gjb2lister@gmail.com) stating the names of those going, the days you will be there, if you are not staying the full week, and your mobile phone number.

*Geoff Lister*

## **Adult Fellowship**

Our next meeting is on WED 10th MAY when we will be visiting DUNLUCE CASTLE in Yester Ave, Brighton at 1.30pm, for a tour and talk. If you haven't already indicated your intention to attend, would you please let Chris know by Sunday 7th May.

As parking is limited, if you would prefer, please meet at the Church, by 1PM. so we can car pool.

Cost for the visit is \$23.50. Would you please have this ready in an envelope with your name on front and give to Heather or Chris and we will make one payment by cheque. *Chris*

## **Cabaret in May**

The City of Holdfast Concert Band will join with the Monteverde Singers for a Cabaret performance in the [Seacliff Uniting Church hall](#) on **Saturday 20th May at 7pm**. Tickets \$25 per person. Proceeds from the event will support the Marion City Lions Club. For information and bookings please contact Alan Botting on 04418 849 101. *Alan*

## **Bridgewater Arts Centre Concerts 2023**

### **Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm Rachel Collis**

Singer/songwriter/pianist, Rachel is a huge talent from Sydney with plenty of top reviews. Sydney songstress Rachel Collis has been described by reviewers as no less than "prodigy", "sheer genius" (Australian Stage) and "a welcome jolt back to the time of Joni Mitchell and Carole King.

**Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 2-4pm Duo Celtica** Join acclaimed harpist and singer *Emma Horwood* and Celtic harpist *Christine Morphett* for an exploration of world music both old and new. From innovative arrangements of traditional Irish and Scottish tunes to American blues, Spanish Flamenco and contemporary music, be mesmerised by two Celtic harps in harmony here.

**Dawn E Benjamin** [Bridgewater Arts Centre](#) 407 Mt Barker Rd  
M 0484 136 343 *Maureen*

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Worship Leaders for Today: Rev. Gary Stuckey  
Lectionary for Today: **30 April 2023: Act 2: 42 - 47; Ps 23;  
1 Pt 2: 19 - 25; Jn 10: 1 - 10.**  
Reminder for Stewards: 7 May 2023  
Richard Lane Dennis Wood

### **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.au](mailto:newsletter@seacliffuc.org.au)  
by 5pm on Wednesdays.  
If you do not have access to email, please phone the church office and it will be forwarded for you.

### **Our Minister is Rev. Gary Stuckey.**

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