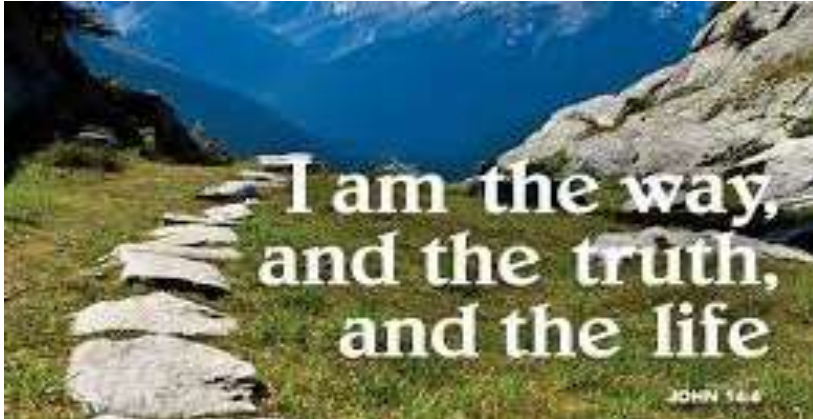




Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 7 May 2023

EASTER 5



Jesus Comforts His Disciples

John 14: 1 - 7

14 “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. ² My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?

³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴ You know the way to the place where I am going.”

Jesus the Way to the Father

⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

⁶ Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

This Week.

Adult Fellowship 1.30pm Wednesday 10th May What's News

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 16th**. 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

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

Spring Break - November Camp

From feedback I received from the cycling group this morning, it appears that the camp is not viable. Therefore, I have decided not to go ahead with any further planning and cancel the camp. For anyone who was keen I apologise.

Geoff

Men's Dinner for May

The May Men's dinner is booked at the Brighton Metro, 466 Brighton road, Brighton, for **Wednesday 17th May**. Meet at **6.45pm** for an allocated dining setting. For information or transport, contact Dene Goldsack on 8296 1046.

Dene

Note from Max

"As flagged last week - please note **Nov 19th** in your diary for the **November AGM**."

Max

Audio Roster

We are looking for additional people to help with our audio / video roster. It is not difficult and training will be provided. If you are able to help on a regular or occasional basis please see Ray.

Cogs n' Coffee

With a strong Southerly blowing, 10 riders decided it was better to ride up the tram track than face the prospect of a strong Southerly coming home. Coffee was at Beckman St, and we then called in on Deb and Neil Brown, a visit much appreciated. Meet at Wattle Reserve at 8.30am for next weeks ride. *Brian*

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*

Uniting Conversations

The Uniting Conversations series returns to [Seacliff UC on Sunday 21st May at 7pm](#).

Topic: **AGING WELL**

It will be an interesting night with three very experienced panellists. We look for to having you join us in this conversation. Don't forget to prepare a question or two if you have a burning issue which needs to be addressed. If you have friends or family for whom this is a significant issue, invite them to come with you. The panel at the event includes: **Dr. Craig Whitehead**, Geriatrician at FMC and Board Member of Helping Hand Aged Care. **Mr. Mark Trebilcock**, a coordinator with Aged Care Alternatives. **Ms Vicki Stokes**, Team Leader: Aged Rights Advocacy Service. *Jim Winn*

Be Slavery Free

You may recall that, at the AGM back in February, a task group was set up to gather information to enable us to buy products that have not been produced in part or completely by slave labour. Here is the first report from that task group. It concerns two products for which information is readily available. *Max*

Tea

The tea brands on this list are recognised as good performers in the slavery-free area:

Madura Premium

Twinings English Breakfast

Dilmah

Nerada

Earl Grey Fairtrade Organic

English Breakfast (tea bags) from Tea Drop

Woolworths

Nature's Cuppa

Nerada organics green

Madura organic black

Oxfam Fair Green Tea

Fair Trade

Tetley extra strong

Fresh Chai co

Serenitea

Scarborough Fair

Eloments

Arkadia

Planet Organic

Virgin Garden

Natureland

^ Some of these may be available only by on-line purchase

^^ You'll notice that several popular brands are missing from the list – they are assessed as too-highly dependent on slave labour at one or more stages of their production.

Chocolate

A very extensive table is available, which indicates where producers sit on a scale of 1 (very good) to 4 (unacceptable) [or even not making Category 4!!] across the multiple aspects of production.

Category 1

Original Beans

Tony's Chocoloney ^ Foodland Marion

Beyond Good

alter eco

** available from Foodland
Brighton Central

Category 2

Ben & Jerry's

Whittakers (NZ) **

Nestle

Hershey

Ferrero (includes Nutella)

Mars group

Lindt & Spungli

Category 3

Valrhona

Unsatisfactory

Friesland

Mondelez group (includes Toblerone, Cadbury)

Unilever (includes Paddle Pop, Cornetto and Klondike)

Retailers of chocolate

Category 1 Aldi

Category 2 Lidl

Category 3 Woolworths ^^} These are separate

Big W ^^} unrelated companies

Coles

Kmart

David Jones

Unsatisfactory Tesco

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Worship Leaders for Today: Rev. Gary Stuckey **HC**
Lectionary for Today: **7 May 2023: Act 7: 55 - 60;**
Ps 31: 1 - 5, 15 - 16; 1 Pt 2: 2 - 10; Jn 14: 1 - 14.
Reminder for Stewards: 14 May 2023
Richard Lane Colin Theakstone

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
by 5pm on Wednesdays.
If you do not have access to email, please phone the church office and it will be forwarded for you.

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