



Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 30 July 2023
PENTECOST 9

The Parable of the Net

Mat 13: 47 - 52

The Parable of the Net

⁴⁷ “Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. ⁴⁸ When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away.

⁴⁹ This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹ “Have you understood all these things?” Jesus asked. “Yes,” they replied.

⁵² He said to them, “Therefore every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old.”

This Week.

Book Club **1.30pm Wednesday 2nd August**
Meditation Session **2pm Wed. 3rd August**
Yarn Sisters **10am Friday 4th August**
Uniting Conversations **7pm Sunday 6th August**

What's News

MEDITATION

The next meditation session will be on **August 3rd at 2:00pm**. Even if you haven't been before you are welcome to come along and discover the benefits of meditation. We meet in the middle hall.

BAPTISM

Next Sunday, we are delighted to **welcome Emily and James Markham** who, with their son **Evan**, bring their daughter **Emily Lorna** for baptism. Emily is Lorna Tossell's great granddaughter.

QUIET DAY

The third Quiet Day in the Seacliff Uniting Church Spirituality Program will be on **Tuesday August 22nd** commencing at 9:30am and concluding at 12:30pm.

The theme for this year is "**The Seasons of Life**" and in August we will be focussing on Spring, the season of new beginnings. Spring is a time to refresh, renew and often to clear out clutter from lives. This day will focus on inner refreshment, renewal and decluttering.

For those who wish to, you can stay and share fellowship over a BYO lunch with other retreatants.

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. Throughout 2023, Seacliff Uniting Church will be offering several Contemplative Services.

The next of these will be **on Sunday August 20th**. The focus of this service will be '**Freedom**'. It will commence at **5:00pm** and run for about an hour. Quiet music, silence, a meditative reflection, and a contemplative communion offer the grace and peace to restore our soul. For those who wish to stay, there will be light refreshments after.

Gary (Rev.)

Cogs n Coffee

On a great morning for riding, nine of us followed the Grange train line from Woodville to Grange.

Coffee was at the West Beach caravan kiosk where the time was taken up discussing the importance of connections and the topical War on Waste.

Hopefully next week will be to Willunga, but needs to be confirmed as there is a possibility the track is closed near Pedlers Creek. Will confirm next Monday.

Brian

Volunteering Red Dove Café 2023

There are just over 6 weeks away for the Red Dove Café for 2023 at the Royal Adelaide Show. Money raised from this café goes to mission in South Australia.

The organisers are seeking people to fill 800+ shifts for the period 1st – 10th September this year. If you are interested please contact Volunteer Coordinators, on email volunteer.rdc@gmail.com or call Janet on 0432 271 757.

UC E- News

This week we pray:

For the community of Mount Gambier Uniting Church after their manse was badly damaged by fire; we pray for them to know God's comfort and for ease in recovery.

For the success of our Australian Women's Soccer Team, the Matildas, as they compete in the Women's World Cup.

For our primary, high school and university students as they head back to study this week.

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Worship Leader for Today: Max Howland

Lectionary for Today: **30 July 2023: Gn 29:15 - 28;**

Ps 105 :1 - 11, 45b; Rom 8: 26 - 39; Mt 13: 31 - 33, 44 - 52.

Reminder for Stewards: 6 August 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
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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