



Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 20 August 2023
PENTECOST 12



The Faith of a Canaanite Woman

Mat 15: 21 – 28

²¹ Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon.

²² A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly.”

²³ Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, “Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us.”

²⁴ He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.”

²⁵ The woman came and knelt before him. “Lord, help me!” she said. ²⁶ He replied, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and toss it to the dogs.” ²⁷ “Yes it is, Lord,” she said. “Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master’s table.”

²⁸ Then Jesus said to her, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” And her daughter was healed at that moment.

This Week.

CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP 5 pm tonight
Quiet Day 9.30am Tuesday 22nd August
Adult Fellowship 1.30 pm Wed. 23rd August
TakeUs2 6.pm Next Sunday 27th August
What's News

This mornings message

Aug 20: *“How to Win by Losing”*. More wisdom from Jacob's life; dealing with our past, embracing our future.

CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP

Tonight, the focus is on *‘Freedom’*, commencing at **5:00pm** and will run about an hour. Quiet music, silence, a meditative reflection, and a contemplative communion offer the grace and peace to restore our soul. There will be light refreshments after.

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”*. This day will focus on inner refreshment, renewal and decluttering. If you wish to, you can stay and share fellowship over a BYO lunch.

SOUTH WESTERN SCHOOLS MINISTRY GROUP

Seaview Downs Primary School, started a breakfast club this term. Run by Chris Crabb, the wellbeing teacher and Travis Parker, (Chaplain) on a Friday morning. **Dianne Schroeder**, the area coordinator, will be part of our worship this morning, to tell us more about this work in our schools. *Gary (Rev.)*

Marino Repair Cafe at Seacliff

Today from 1pm to 4pm in our hall. Bring your items for repair and reduce landfill. No charge but a donation appreciated. Check Facebook for what repairs are available today. Some members of our congregation are among the volunteers. *Warwick*

Cogs n Coffee

There were 15 of us who did the ride up the Sturt Creek through the wetlands to Mitsubishi for a nice coffee and catch up. Home was down Sturt Creek to Glenelg and back along the coast. All in all a delightful ride. For next weeks ride, meet at Warradale shops at 8.30am. *Brian*

Take Us 2

Sunday 27th August, 6pm for a light meal.

James and Ruth Peck will present an evening of overland travel starting from Nuriootpa, SA, and arriving in London over two months later. Through Vietnam, China, Mongolia, Siberia, Russia, Lithuania, Poland, Czech Republic, Germany, Austria, Lichtenstein and Switzerland they travelled mostly by train with only one piece of luggage each and a day pack.

Their major tour guide was 'Lonely Planet', an invaluable resource. Their aim was to travel as much as possible using local transport and making their own arrangements.

Join us as together we share this adventure.

James

Community Art Project Workshop

The *Centre for Music, Liturgy and the Arts*, is holding a **Community Art Project Workshop** for individuals and congregations keen on using community art to build relationships, explore scripture and share the journey. Sunday, 27 August 2023; 2pm - 5 pm at Burnside City Uniting Church. Cost: \$20/person or \$50/ congregation for 3 or more people. For more information and registrations, please visit cmla.org. *Max*

Voice Discussion Today

Today at 5pm Pilgrim Uniting Church will broadcast 'Understanding the Voice Parliament' on youtube featuring Tim Costello and Noel Pearson. You may also register to attend Pilgrim for this event.

See <https://form.jotform.com/232070749781865> or go to Pilgrim Uniting Church using your browser. *Warwick*

Salt + Light

A reminder that the art show under the title **Salt + Light** is being presented every weekend in August at Bethany Hall, Willunga. A number of local artists are presenting their reflections. Bethany Hall is part of Willunga Uniting Church, at the corner of St Andrew's and St Jude's streets.

Max

Community Garden

OPEN DAY

Saturday 28th October 2023

This year we are planning an **Open Day** celebrating the construction of the Community Garden on our church premises. The garden and the fruit trees growing next to the southern fence is well established and producing a variety of produce. Wicking beds are being constructed in the area between Wheatland House and the large hall, and will be in use with a variety of plants growing on display. In conjunction with the garden, we will be having tables selling produce, plants, preserves and pickles. We are asking for donations of these items so if your interest is:

Gardening: please consider potting out some plants, or donate any established plants.

Bottling: cook up a storm in the kitchen preparing preserves, jams, pickles etc remembering to list ingredients on the jars.

Cooking: while in the kitchen you may like to bake some biscuits and cakes for the cake stall, listing the ingredients of course.

A **Stash Buster stall** is planned so if you find unwanted craft items in your cupboards, consider donating them to this stall. Items could include material, wool, embroidery cottons, magazines, haberdashery items etc. Just think of all that space you would have decluttering all those shelves/drawers !!

If you are the creative type we have the stall just for you!! **Homemade gifts** will be most welcome. Halloween is a few days after on the 31st Oct plus Christmas is 9 weeks later. Now that's a bit scary!! So, let your creativity flow.

There will be tables from other groups of varying themes, a bbq cooking up a storm, and of course the coffee van with his delicious coffee. We won't be hungry!!

So, the day is developing into an exciting event with proceeds raised going towards the Community Garden, but the main focus of the day is to connect with the community around the garden, and build up friendships and relationships with them.

More details will become available as time draws closer to the day, but until then mark the date in your diary, **Saturday 28th October**, and start considering what you can contribute to the making it a bright, happy day.

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Worship Leader for Today: Rev. Gary Stuckey
Lectionary for Today: **20 August 2023: Gn 45: 1 - 15;**
Ps 133; Rom 11: 1 - 2a, 29 - 32; Mt 15: 21 - 28.
Reminder for Stewards: 27 August 2023
Dave Rickard Richard Lane

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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