

Uniting Church in Australia SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS Sunday 8 October 2023 PENTECOST 19



The Parable of the Tennants

33 "Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard.. 34 When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit. 35 "The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. ³⁶ Then he sent other servants and the tenants treated them the same way. 37 Last of all, he sent his son to them. 'They will respect my son,' he said. 38 "But they said to each other, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him and take his inheritance.' 39 So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. 40 "Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" 41 "He will bring those wretches to a wretched end," they replied, "and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time." 42 Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes'? 43 "Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. 44 Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed." 45 When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus' parables, they knew he was talking about them.

What's News

Minister's Leave

Please note, Gary will be on leave from **Oct 9** returning on **Oct 24.**Gary (Rev.)

Moderator's visit

Today we are pleased to welcome **Uniting Church Moderator for SA, Rev Peter Morel,** to our worship. Peter has a historical link with this congregation, rather more than a few years ago now!! We are delighted to welcome him back.

Remember too, that a light lunch / extended morning tea is being organised by Church Council: everyone is invited.

Congregation Profile forms

Thank you to all the people who have taken forms: please remember to bring them back asap – we are starting work on compiling responses.

If you have missed out on collecting a form and would like to respond, please contact Max, and a form will be provided.

Annual General Meeting

Early warning (not all that early really!!) – the first part of our AGM will be conducted on **Sunday Nov 12**th, beginning at around 11.00 am. This is the meeting at which we elect people for positions of service and leadership for 2024 – nomination forms will appear in the next week or two.

The AGM Part 2 – annual reports – is currently scheduled for Feb 11th, 2024. *Max*

Christmas is coming!

Bookings are now being taken for the Church Christmas Dinner on Wednesday, December 6th at 6pm. The cost will be \$55 for 2 courses. It will be held at the Seacliff Surf Life Saving Club Bistro. The entertainment on the night will be amazing. Come and enjoy a great night of fun, fellowship and food. All are welcome. Please see Annette for your booking and payment. Mobile 0438664100

Cogs n Coffee

Eleven of us did the ride around the Onkaparinga River and then the stunning cliff top ride from Southport to Moana.

One of our riders lost something at Seaford Station on our way home. For more details speak with Maxine.

Next week, we take the 8.40am train at Seacliff and ride to McClaren Flat.

Brian



Men's Dinner for October

The October Men's Dinner is booked for **Wednesday 18**th **October** when we meet at the **Seacliff hotel, Seacliff.**Meet at **6.30pm** for a 7pm start. For transport or information, contact Ray on 8298 3480.

Dene

Referendum Sausage Sizzle

On **Saturday, October 14,** Referendum Voting day, Seacliff Uniting Church Hall will be a designated Polling Booth during which Seacliff U.C. usually holds a sausage sizzle for the lunchtime period **11am to 2pm.** We require helpers and an organiser for this much appreciated community event. Please contact Annette, 0438664100, if you can help on the day.

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Worship Leader for Today: Rev. Peter Morel

Lectionary for Today: 8 October 2023: Ex 20: 1 - 4, 7 - 9,

12 - 20; Ps 19; Phil 3: 4b - 14; Mt 21: 33 - 46. Reminder for Stewards: 15 October 2023

Brian Gepp Geoff Craven

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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