

## Sunday 21st April 2019

Greetings and welcome to this week's newsletter

### A Note from Linda

We have much to look forward to as we journey with Jesus to the cross in our Easter services this weekend. As I write this note, we are finalising the details for our interactive prayer tonight for Maundy Thursday. Dean and Nola have prepared a meaningful service for Good Friday. I'm anticipating a really special service in the park, sheltered in The Pavilion, early on Easter morning. Then we'll celebrate Jesus' resurrection once again at our service back at the church.

I hope that you will be able to join us at this significant time in the Christian Church calendar. Please pray about who you could invite to come with you.

If you are going away, I encourage you to find somewhere where you can worship in community. Alternatively you could spend some time reading through and reflecting on the biblical texts (see below).

Next Sunday we will have a guest preacher, Rev Liellie McLaughlin.

The next newsletter will come out for Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> as Sharyn (and I) will be away on Leave next week.

Alleluia! He is risen! *He is risen indeed!*

*Blessings,  
Linda*

Here are some recommended biblical texts for Holy Week and Easter Sunday for your personal devotion:

Palm Sunday	Luke 19:28-40
Maundy Thursday	Luke 22:1-52
Good Friday	Luke 22:54-71; 23:1-55
Easter Sunday	Luke 24:1-35 or John 20:1-18

### Coming Sunday evenings at Athelstone Uniting Church

**21 April** - no evening service

**28 April** - 6.00pm - Prayer Walk

**5 May** - 6.00pm - Chapel Communion service

All are welcome to any of our Sunday evening activities, and as usual are welcome to join us for dinner or a cuppa each Sunday night at The Rezz afterwards.

### Athelstone Uniting Church Holy Week Services:

**Maundy Thursday Prayer** Thursday 18 April - Come anytime between 6.30pm & 9.00pm  
Self-guided prayer stations

**Good Friday service** Friday 19 April 9:30am

**Easter Son-Rise service** Sunday 21 April 6:45am Thorndon Park Pavilion  
Worship service with local Uniting Churches. **Bring a folding chair**

**Easter worship service** Sunday 21 April 9:30am Worship service

## Your Choice Bakery closure

Lyndon and Wendy have advised that Your Choice Bakery on Gorge Road has closed. On your behalf we have sent a thank you card to Belinda and Jodie for donating bakery goods to us to share over many years

## Looking ahead to the possibility of Geographic Presbyteries- strategic and hopeful.

We have been invited to this gathering. If you'd like to go with Linda, please let her know on the 30<sup>th</sup>. 7 - 9pm Tuesday April 30<sup>th</sup> at The Corner UC, corner of Diagonal and Oaklands Roads, Warradale. All welcome.

This is organised a by "working group" which has formed after the Presbytery restructure meeting at Rosefield UC.

## Presbytery Restructure

Looking for more information about the Presbytery restructure? There is a new circular 3 and Frequently Asked Questions available here: <https://sa.uca.org.au/presbytery-and-synod/restructure>  
Information sessions are being held in May to assist congregations understand the restructuring process. You are invited to attend one of the following information sessions (supper provided):

- 7 May 2019 - Murray Bridge Uniting Church, 7pm – 9pm, Narooma Blvd (off Monash Tce), Murray Bridge
- **14 May 2019 - Spicer Uniting Church, 7pm – 9pm, 44A Fourth Ave, St Peters**
- 21 May 2019 - Balaklava Uniting Church, 7pm – 9pm, 29 Edith Tce, Balaklava

Please RSVP by Wednesday 1 May 2019 to Sue Page, Associate General Secretary on [spage@sa.uca.org.au](mailto:spage@sa.uca.org.au) or Ph: [\(08\) 8236 4217](tel:0882364217)

## It's not too late to give!!!!

It is still not too late to give to this year's Lenten Appeal.

Donations can be placed in the basket "at the front" or in an envelope marked 'Lent Event' and included with the offering until May 12. Thanks to those who have

already given. Last Sunday we received \$ 1,360 for our Partner Church's essential ministry among their people.

This will form part of the \$350,000 the Uniting Church in Australia aims to raise from the Lent Event for the Protestant Church in Timor Leste.



## Office Closure – the week following Easter

Please make note that Linda will be on leave from 22<sup>nd</sup> April until 29<sup>th</sup> April.

Sharyn will be on leave from 19<sup>th</sup> April until 29<sup>th</sup> April.

Therefore the office will be closed during that time. There will not be a newsletter for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Sharyn

## ToFs

will be meeting at 2pm on Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Church, We will be taking part in the Biggest Morning Tea fund raiser for the Cancer Council which is held each year in May.

We will be having a **Biggest AFTERNOON Tea** at 2pm and would ask that you bring a small plate of afternoon tea or nibbles. There will be a chance to donate to this great cause. All donations over \$2 will be tax deductible. Please feel free to invite family and friends. All are welcome.

## A preliminary notice for June.

As Packing Day is the same week, we will be meeting on Monday not Tuesday to help with the packing. More details later.

### 3 C's

Thank you to those who came last week when I hope you discovered more about your fellow Chaps over Coffee and Chat. The next gathering will be May 8 and a return to Settebello on Newton Road, when no doubt Bob Stevenson will have a few tales relating to his overseas holiday.

### Sunday Morning Worship Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 - 7.30pm – 9pm

A meeting for all worship leaders, singers and musicians will be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May (7.30pm – 9pm) to continue discussions around our Sunday Morning Services and ways of fostering vibrant and engaging worship. Please put the date in your diaries! Everyone is very welcome! For further information contact Di Curtis (0419-862-606)

### Silent Auction

I know you have all been wondering how the Silent Auction went! Well the final figure from that was \$1170 thank you to the generous people who successfully bid and now own a piece of quilting “sewn by Pam”. In addition the Pastoral Care Oversight team received a donation of \$200 in recognition of a number of our church members sharing God’s love with a neighbour in need over the Christmas break. The total therefore towards training and equipping in pastoral care is \$1370. A truly lovely memorial of Pam Silby. Just in case you think it is too late – there are still three quilts available. Sharyn

### Keep this date free - Curry Night -

There will be a curry night at the church on Friday May 24<sup>th</sup> (6.30 pm for 7 pm) on the Deck and Lower Hall.

So put it in your diary now. This is the first of 2 nights to support the ministry of Frontier Services, Parkin-Sturt Patrol, our Wider Mission project for this year. Tickets (\$25) are available now from Friederike, Julie, Mike and Brian.



All proceeds will go to support the ministry of Frontier Services in the Parkin-Sturt Patrol in SA which will be our major Wider Mission focus for this year

### Events – Emmaus Ministries

**Face to Face** is designed to inspire, challenge and equip you for Christian action in your home, church and community. This short course in Christianity will help you become a more effective disciple of Jesus Christ and actively engage in God’s mission in the world. Rostrevor Baptist Church Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June. For more information contact 0427 973 226 or email [grburgan@mail.com](mailto:grburgan@mail.com)

### Wider Church

**For those interested in developments regarding the new Presbytery structure**, all latest news is posted here: <https://sa.uca.org.au/presbytery-and-synod/restructure>

**Electronic Giving** – Forms are available or speak to Treasurer Glen Luestner for more information.

**Pastoral care** - Please contact a member of our Pastoral Care Oversight Team for assistance: **During the week following Easter (22 April to 29 April), all of the pastoral care team will be unavailable and any Prayer Chain or pastoral care matters can be forwarded to Rev Brian Ball or Rev Dean Pearce**".

Usual contacts are: Rev Linda Driver 0458 500 656 Bob Stevenson 0400 641 242  
Brenton Summers 0400 632 829 Ann Brown 0413 581 554

## Prayer Requests - Can we support you in prayer? Here's how:

**Prayer Chain** - send an email to, or call Brenton Summers, who will pass your prayer request on to a group of people who faithfully pray in response to Prayer Chain emails. **During the period 11 April to 10 May 2019, Ann Brown will be the contact person for the Church's Prayer Chain.** Ann can be contacted on **0413 581 554** or by email on [brownanndon@gmail.com](mailto:brownanndon@gmail.com)

**Confidential Prayers** - if the issue is more personal you are invited to contact Linda for individual prayer or one the members of the Pastoral Care Oversight team (Brenton Summers, Ann Brown, Bob Stevenson and Linda). All prayer requests going to the team will be kept strictly confidential within this team.

**Prayers for Others** (Sunday Worship) – Linda provides our Worship Leaders with prayer points as appropriate. Prayer points are also sourced from the Prayer Chain. If you have something you would like to be included in Prayers for Others, please contact Linda. "We are all called to pray for one another, and so we are all encouraged to offer to pray for, or with others, especially if they share a concern with you." (James 5:13-16)

**Did you know?** Sermons are now being added to our website each week. So if you missed a Sunday, or find it helpful to reflect on the sermon during the week, check them out.

You'll find Sermons under our News and Blogs tab <https://athelstonechurch.org.au/sermons-2/>

**You can now listen online.** Click on the link provided on our website or download the sermon.net app <https://sermon.net/for-the-listener/mobile-apps/>

**Wider Church News-** Please use the link to UC e-news at <http://sa.uca.org.au/uc-e-news/>

You can also subscribe to receive UC. E-News personally if you wish.

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**Newsletter contributions** – Please email [newsletter@athelstonechurch.org.au](mailto:newsletter@athelstonechurch.org.au) by 5pm Wed.

## On the Noticeboard –

- **John Bell in Adelaide** – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May –Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May – at Adelaide West UC.
- **A free centenary event presented in partnership with the Uniting Church Historical Society of South Australia.** Join us for one-day forum to explore the evolution of UnitingSA, social reform in the Port area, the benefits of strong partnerships, and how UnitingSA turns values into actions. Wednesday 15 May 2019 at Port Adelaide Uniting Church - 169 Commercial Road, Port Adelaide. For more Information Call (08) 8440 2144. Registration essential by 6 May 2019

## Lectionary readings

Good Friday – Is 52.13-53.12, Psalm 22, Hebrews 10.16-25, John 18.1-19.42

Easter Day – Acts 10.34-43, Psalm 118.1-2 & 14-24, 1 Corinthians 15.19-26, John 20.1-18

28<sup>th</sup> April - Acts 5.27-35, Psalm 118.14-29, Revelations 1.4-8, John 20.19-31

5<sup>th</sup> May – Acts 9.1-6, Psalm 30, Revelations 5.11-14, John 21. 1.19

## Roster

	19 <sup>th</sup> April - Good Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> April - Easter Sunday
<b>Preacher</b>	Linda	Linda
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Nola	Lynton
<b>Singers</b>	Yvonne, Ruth & Dave	Janet/ Marie & Lyndon R
<b>Keyboard</b>	Shelley	Gerald
<b>Guitar</b>	Chris	Chris & Shelley
<b>Data Projector</b>	Dave	Dave
<b>Flowers</b>		Jenny R
<b>Door Stewards &amp; Offering</b>	Jayne & Lynton	Jan & Gus
<b>Notices</b>	Sylvia	Sylvia
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Ann Tubb	Jayne N
<b>Offering Count</b>		Sam G/David W
<b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>	Crisi & Sam	Sheralyn R & Leanne S
<b>Sound</b>	Don B	Don Brown
<b>Building Steward</b>	Eric Hurrell	Eric H

## Roster

	28 <sup>th</sup> April	5 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Preacher</b>	Rev Leillie McLaughlin	Linda
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Meg	Di
<b>Singers</b>	Ruth/Allan/Friederike	Yvonne/Sylvia/Lyndon
<b>Keyboard</b>	DI	Shelley
<b>Guitar</b>	Grant/Scott	Chris/Dave
<b>Data Projector</b>	Dave	Samantha
<b>Flowers</b>	Carole W	Di Curtis
<b>Door Stewards &amp; Offering</b>	Sheralyn & Pat H	David & Jenny
<b>Notices</b>	Sylvia	Don B
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Sylvia	David W
<b>Offering Count</b>	Sylvia & Ray W	Lynton N & Gus R
<b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>	Jayne & Lynton	Winsome & Brian B
<b>Sound</b>	Noel	Don B
<b>Building Steward</b>	Noel	Richard Read

## What's on - 22nd - 28<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	6.30-7.30pm	Reach your Feat	Top Hall
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	6.00-8.00 pm	Waratah Calisthenics College	Auditorium
		6.30-7.30 pm	Reach your Feat	Top Hall
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Anzac Day	Public Holiday	
		5.30-6.30pm	Reach your Feat	Top Hall
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-11.30am	Gain Momentum – Pilates	Top Hall
Sunday	28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Worship	Auditorium
		6.00pm	Prayer Walk	

## 29<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> May

Monday	29 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-11.30am	Counselling	Chapel/Meeting Room
		4.45-6.45pm	Waratah Calisthenics College	Auditorium
		6.00-7.00pm	Gain Momentum -Pilates	Top Hall
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup>	9.30–11.30 am	Gain Momentum - Pilates	Top Hall
		6.30-7.30pm	Reach your Feat	Top Hall
		7.30pm -	Church Council	Chapel/Meeting Room
Wednesday	1 <sup>st</sup> May	6.00-8.00 pm	Waratah Calisthenics College	Auditorium
		6.30-7.30 pm	Reach your Feat	Top Hall
Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	5.30-6.30pm	Reach your Feat	Top Hall
Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00-	Friendship Club	Auditorium
Saturday	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30–11.30 am	Gain Momentum - Pilates	Top Hall
		10.00-11.00am	Waratah Calisthenics College	Auditorium
Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Worship	Auditorium
		6.00pm	Communion Service	Chapel/Meeting Room