

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Greetings and welcome to this week's newsletter

### A Note from Linda

We are in the third week of our purple season of Lent - a journey of reflection and preparation as we head towards Easter.

We have introduced a number of images which you may find helpful in your prayer life:

- **Journeys:** Last week we talked about journeys ... we are all on a journey, a journey of discovery about ourselves - about where we fit in this world and what that means for us in a spiritual context.  
This Lent, hear your invitation to go on a spiritual journey – to a new home, a new life, with Jesus.
- **Rocks:** we think of the rocky arid region where Jesus fasted and prayed and was tempted. Are there parts of your life that are hard, rough, heavy, cold? Perhaps your heart?  
Someone wise pointed out to me that if you hold on to a small rock for a while it will warm up in your hands. You might have had the experience of sitting on a rock that has been warmed by the sun.  
I pray that as we follow Jesus on our journey to the cross, your heart will feel the warmth of the Son and be open to the love that Jesus has for you.
- **Star words:** Your star word may also be helpful in your prayer life during Lent. Perhaps it is giving you new insights as you hear God's Word and pray? Please journal any thoughts you have along the way.

*Blessings, Linda*

### Coming Sunday Evenings

**15 March - 6.30 for 7.00pm** - Spirited Sunday with Ivan-Tiwu Copley in the new PopUp Café at the Rezz

**22 March - 6.00pm** Prayer Walk

**29 March - 4.30pm** Labyrinth Walk - Waite Arboretum

**5 April - 4.00pm** Messy Easter

### Spirited Sunday at the Rezz

Spirited Sundays are back for 2020! Join us in the new PopUp Cafe at the Rezz around 6.30pm this evening.

Our speaker, Ivan-Tiwu Copley OAM will start at 7.00pm. A Peramangk/Kaurna man, Ivan will help us with our understanding of the significance of Acknowledgement of Country and being Welcomed to Country.

The space is different to what we are used to and there is a different menu to. If it's a cool night we recommend that you bring a jacket. If it's really cold or wet we'll move in to the Front Bar. Come join us and think about who you could invite!

### Holy Week

Easter is approaching. Here are our special services for Holy Week:

#### Sunday April 5

9.30am Passion Sunday service

4.00pm Messy Easter

#### Thursday April 9

7.00-8.30pm Maundy Thursday prayer journey (*the church will be open during this time for people to come anytime between 7.00 and 8.00pm for self-guided prayer*)

#### Friday April 10

9.30am Good Friday service

#### Sunday April 12

6.45am (TBC) Dawn Service at Thorndon Park.

9.30am Easter Celebration service

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## Baptism

On Sunday 29 March we will have a very special 9.30am service as we baptise Amelie Stevenson, daughter of Raoul and Alicia Stevenson. Pop this date in your calendars now!

## Would you like to be involved?

Calling for anyone who would like to be involved in our Maundy Thursday prayer journey and/or the Dawn service at Thorndon Park. Please contact Linda if you are interested.

## Messy Church

Our next Messy Church service is on 5th April 4-6pm and we are exploring and learning about the Easter story. Messy Church helps both children AND adults encounter Jesus through creativity, celebration and hospitality. We use hands-on activities to explore Bible stories, reflect and give everyone a chance to play together. Messy Church is also about hospitality, expressed through creating a safe space for all and sharing a meal together. If you have questions or would like to be a part of the team please speak to Meg Edwards

## Can you Help

Accommodation / Job opportunities or support in any kind urgently sought for a young Kurdish man (with very good references). Examples may include a studio / granny flat / house share or other support or some work - opportunities. Moji is courteous, helpful and very helpful with regards cooking, cleaning and any work around the house or garden.

Please contact Liellie at 0437794410 (please note that this is not a call for house-hold items / furniture)

## Lenten Appeal 2020

Each year the Uniting Church of Australia, through Uniting World, carefully selects a significant project of outreach and christian mission. The 2020 project in partnership with the Protestant Church of Maluka in Indonesia seeks to bring Muslims and Christians together to build peace and beat poverty. An information brochure with donation form is available at the Church entry. Further information [www.lentevent.com](http://www.lentevent.com)"

## Church Rosters – April/May/June

You should have received your roster on line, however if you require a hard copy see me. *Thanks, Gus Robin*

## Triple C's

Numbers down a little this week, 13 attended, others had "Valid" reasons for non appearance - again a good mixture of serious talk and laughter, and lingering on. Diarise next meeting for April 08, meantime keep smiling, but if feeling down for any reason contact one of the group for a yarn or go out for a coffee locally.

**Morning Tea update** – in a previous newsletter article Council had proposed a new system be introduced in 2020 for the morning tea helpers and any groups where catering is involved due to the wastage of milk that is left in the fridge and then being disposed of because it is out of date. It was recommended that volunteer helpers bring the required milk supply (2 litres of skim milk) and then take the leftovers home after the service/event. Council wishes to advise this process has now been adopted after the initial trial and as such would request that all morning tea helpers or those running events involving tea and coffee action accordingly.

## Packing Day 2020 -Save the date – Sunday May 31<sup>st</sup> and Monday June 1<sup>st</sup>

Please speak to Jayne Nicholas (0418836266) if you have any queries.

## Calendar Correction

The 2020 Calendar of the Synod of South Australia states that National Sorry Day is on Friday 22 May. This is incorrect. National Sorry Day falls on Tuesday 26 May, the day before the start of National Reconciliation Week. As a result, Reconciliation Sunday is on **31 May**. Please make this correction on your copy of the calendar.



Come and join us with your preschoolers and babies on alternate Tuesdays  
(even weeks of school term) from 10-00 a.m. to 11-30 a.m.  
at Athelstone Uniting Church, cnr Fox Avenue and Kantilla Drive

**Term 1 - 17<sup>th</sup> March, 31<sup>st</sup> March**

**Term 2 – 5<sup>th</sup> May, 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 16<sup>th</sup> June & 30<sup>th</sup> June**

Another week, with not only the yakka increasing its flower output but a new family has joined us. Please make contact with Bruce or Joy if you are available to help on Tuesdays or at various times to maintain the wirra. We will be working in the wirra again on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March from 10-00am, followed by a coffee! New helpers are always welcome.

Bruce and Joy Stewart Phone: 8336 2671 or Email: [bruceandjoy@bigpond.com](mailto:bruceandjoy@bigpond.com)

**Wider Church** - <https://sa.uca.org.au> You can also subscribe to receive UC. E-News personally.

### **Military Wives - fundraiser for CMLA and MiniM choir**

Off to the movies, whilst supporting the Centre for Music Liturgy and the Arts and its MiniM Choir! The feel-good movie *Military Wives*, celebrating the difference that sharing music makes to the human spirit, will be screened at the Piccadilly Cinemas, North Adelaide on Sunday March 29th at 4pm. Tickets (\$20) can be purchased on line at [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com) using the search word CMLA or by contacting Sharonne Price on 0417811517.

### **Easter Sights & Sounds – 31st March to 3rd April**

Special Session Times available: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 10.30, Thursday 2nd April at 11.30 and Friday evening April 3<sup>rd</sup> 6pm and 7pm.

Details on Notice Board

### **Adelaide Men's Convention (Sat 9th May) and Grace Conference (Sat 30th May) – Details on Notice Board.**

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

'Regular electronic giving or one off donations can be made using the following details:

Account name: Athelstone Uniting Church  
Account BSB: 704 095 Account number: 110043

### **Pastoral care** - Please contact a member of our Pastoral Care Oversight Team for assistance:

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.

**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)

**Sermons** are available on our website. So if you missed a Sunday morning service, or find it helpful to reflect on the sermon during the week, check them out. Both transcripts and audio recordings are available.

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/>

**Website** – We encourage you to visit our website: [www.athelstonechurch.org.au](http://www.athelstonechurch.org.au)

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

**Lectionary readings** - You will find these in the Uniting Church Calendar.

## Roster

	15 <sup>th</sup> March	22 <sup>nd</sup> March
Preacher	Linda	Rev Mark Kickett
Worship Leader	Jeff	Di
Singers	Jeanine/Robyn/Bob	Ann/Lyndon/Marie
Keyboard	Celine	Shelley
Guitar	Chris/Shelley	Gerald/Chris/Scott
Data Projector	Dave	Dave
Flowers	Jenny	Raelene
Door Stewards & Offering	Sheralyn/Pat	Ann & David
Notices	Brenton	Brenton
Scripture Reader	Jenny	Friederike
Offering Count	Friederike/Bob	Sylvia/Don
Tea & Coffee	Crisi & Sam	Jenny & David
Sound	Noel	Don
Building Steward	Paul	Meg

## What's on 16<sup>h</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> March

*\* These events are organised by community hirers*

Monday	16 <sup>h</sup>	9.30-11.30 am	Nola – counseling	Meeting room
		4.45-6.45 pm	Waratah Calisenthics College*	Auditorium
		6.30-8.30 pm	Gain Momentum – Pilates *	Top Hall
Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Book Club	Coffee Shop
		9.30-11.30 am	Gain Momentum – Pilates *	Top Hall
		10.00-11.30 am	Stay & Play	Lwr Hall/Decking/Chapel
		2.30 pm	Pastoral Care Meeting	Minister's Office
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-10.30 am	Gain Momentum – Pilates *	Top Hall
		6.30-8.30 pm	Waratah Calisthenics College*	Auditorium
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 pm	Church Council Exec	Manse
		7.30-8.30 pm	Worship Practice	Auditorium
Friday	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-12.00pm	Friendship Club – Ping Pong Pots	Auditorium
Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30-11.30 am	Gain Momentum – Pilates *	Top Hall
		9.30-11.30 am	Waratah Calisthenics College*	Auditorium
Sunday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30 am	Worship	Auditorium
		6.00 pm	Prayer Walk	The Rezz