



**Minister:**

Rev Linda Driver:

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Linda's day off: Monday

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

## **A note from Linda**

Linda is on study leave this week. On Sunday morning, David Walker will continue on our Baggage series with the theme: "Hit the Gym!"

## **Attending worship and other activities on site**

Every person who attends activities on our church property is **STILL REQUIRED to register their attendance by using the COVID Safe Check-In**. This is because many of our everyday activities such as Sunday morning worship, Messy Church and other connection activities are defined by SA Health as public activities. **So please ensure you bring your mobile phones to anything on site.** A sign in sheet will be available when use of the QR code is impossible.

Please don't come if you are unwell or if you have been notified by anyone that you may be a close contact.

Please **wear a mask** unless you have a valid reason not to wear one.

Please wear a badge if you are exempt from wearing a mask. Thank you.

## **Worship Online or at Home**

If you wish to join in our online Zoom service on Sunday morning at 9.30am, you can view the service as it is happening, using the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88191652947?pwd=M1pMZCtXY2FGOENtGN3M3EwcVh6Zz09>

or enter this **Meeting ID**: 881 9165 2947 and **passcode**: 7777

If you have never tried Zoom or are unsure about whether you can connect to our online service, please call Paul Driver (M 0428 161 918) before Sunday morning. He can talk you through what to do and test your connection so that you will feel confident on Sunday morning.

Worship resources are emailed out each Saturday. Services are recorded each week. To request a copy, contact Paul Driver who will send you a link to download the video. Paul: 0428-161-918 or [pddriver@gmail.com](mailto:pddriver@gmail.com).

## **Baggage Decluttering Challenge for Lent**

In conjunction with our Lent series on Baggage, I invite you to consider lightening the load of stuff you have around your home. You might even consider taking on the 40 Bags in 40 Days Decluttering Challenge. This is a forty-day period (coinciding with the 40 days of Lent) where you go through your home and declutter one area a day. The 2022 40 Bags in 40 Days Challenge started Wed. March 2nd. See last week's newsletter for resources. More information here: <https://www.whitehouseblackshutters.com/40-bags-in-40-days/>

## **UPCOMING WORSHIP**

### **Star Words Service**

Want to share your Star Word?

Lynton Nicholas is Worship Leader on **April 24** and he is organising a Star Word sharing segment in lieu of a visiting preacher. If you would like to share your star word and the impact of it in your life, **please contact Lynton by Sunday April 10**. You can email him at [nichjl@bigpond.com](mailto:nichjl@bigpond.com)

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## Lent Bible Study Resources

**Forgiveness:** the aim of these Studies is to help individuals and communities with healing and new beginnings.

Printed copies are available from Linda for \$15 or free copies of the e-book can be downloaded from here:

<https://athelstone.elvanto.com.au/file/cb9b2c6a-157e-48cd-8bdb-153d070ae206/> (You will need to log in to Elvanto to download)

**Lent Event:** "How To Be A Good Global Neighbour"

A series of Bible studies on how we can partner with the global church for justice.

Download here: <https://d2ozon8d7ta3c6.cloudfront.net/e034f9e4a22b86e0163b5084b0c9aff6.pdf>

## MISSIONAL

### PACKING DAY: SAVE THE DATE, START COLLECTING!

Once again the Athelstone Uniting Church is coordinating the packing of goods for indigenous communities in northern and central Australia. **Please save the dates: Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday June 6<sup>th</sup>**

This event is a chance for our church community to engage in some fellowship and I would love to have you join us in the camaraderie of the Packing Day.

As in previous years we are collecting for the communities north of Darwin so require clothing and manchester that would be suitable for these tropical destinations.

Attached to the Newsletter is a flyer detailing the goods required.

Along with used goods, there are some **new** items that could be purchased – underwear, stationery, toiletries.

Goods can be dropped off at Church on Sunday mornings. See Jayne and she will arrange for them to be stored in the shed. If you have any questions please ask Jayne Nicholas 0418836266.

### Uniting Communities – Food Donations

Please keep bringing in your donations and let's fill the giving table!

*Brenton Summers*

### What do you do with plastic bread tags?

Bring them to church to support the charity Aussie Bread tags for Wheelchairs.

You'll find a container in the Church Entry. More details here: <https://ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au/>.

## NOTICES TO MEMBERS

### 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 (Lee O'Connell, Brenton Summers, Ann Brown, Bob Stevenson and Linda Driver). All prayer requests going to the team will be kept strictly confidential within this team.

Prayers for Others (Sunday Worship) If you have something you would like to be included, 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)

## CONNECT GROUPS

At Athelstone Uniting Church we encourage everyone to find ways to find connections within our church community. Here are some of the Connect Groups you might consider joining. Please refer to our website for more information.

Connect Group	When/Where	Further Info & Contact Name
Book Club	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 9 am, Indigo Espresso Cafe	Linda Driver
Fellowship Group	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1.30 pm Indigo Espresso Cafe	Nola Pearce
Threads	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays 2-4 pm Indigo Espresso Cafe	Linda Driver
Stay n Play @ Home	Theme is International Year of Glass Check out the Church website to enroll or to get some ideas for preschoolers at home, make new friends through Facebook and Buddy play dates.	Families received a new online program this week looking for glass in "My house and yard", exploring our theme for 2022. Joy and Bruce Stewart
Wirra Play Days	29 <sup>th</sup> March at 10 – 11.30 am Athelstone Uniting Church	Enjoy some nature play in the wirra! Joy and Bruce Stewart

### Wirra Play Day – helpers required

Have you found the new visitors in the wirra?

More team helpers for Wirra Play Days in 2022 are needed. It's only 4 sessions/year! Help set up/pack up, chat to carers or play with children.

*Joy and Bruce Stewart*



## WIDER CHURCH NEWS

### Flood Appeal

Uniting Church in Australia President Rev Sharon Hollis has launched a national appeal to support people and communities impacted by the intense rainfall and devastating flooding across the East Coast.

The Uniting Church's National Disaster Relief Fund is administered by the National Assembly and seeks to support the wider community in these times of hardship and loss.

Donations are welcome here: <https://uniting.church/east-coast-flooding-emergency-appeal/>

### Wider Church News

Wider church news: <https://sa.uca.org.au>

You can also subscribe to receive UC E-News personally at <https://sa.uca.org.au/uc-e-news/>

The New Times is available online as well at <https://sa.uca.org.au/new-times/new-times-print-edition/>

Wimala Presbytery News: <https://www.facebook.com/Wimala-Presbytery-109646960529095/>

Wimala Presbytery website: <https://wimala.ucasa.org.au/>

Uniting Church in Australia News: <https://uniting.church/news/>

## GIVING

### How to give electronically

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

Application forms for setting up regular e-giving through UC e-give are available at:

<https://ucinvest.com.au/forms-and-information#page=page-1>.

Those who give in cash offerings are invited to place your offerings into an envelope ready to bring next time we meet face to face. Contact Glen Luestner for more information.

## CHURCH BUILDING - BOOKINGS

*Special Event or changes to regular bookings or location are highlighted in bold.*

Day	Time	Location	Hirer/User
Saturdays	9.30 – 11.30 pm	Main auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Saturdays	9.30 - 11.30 am	Lower hall	Pilates
Mondays	Morning	Main building	VIP Cleaning Service
Mondays	4.45 - 6.45 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Mondays	6.30 - 8.30 pm	Lower hall	Pilates
Tuesdays	9.30 – 11.30 am	Lower hall	Pilates
<b>Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>2.30-3.30 pm</b>	<b>Meeting Room</b>	<b>Pastoral Care Meeting</b>
<b>Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>6.00 – 8.00 pm</b>	<b>Auditorium</b>	<b>Indra Yoga (private hirer)</b>
Wednesdays	9.30 - 10.30 am	Lower hall	Pilates
Wednesdays	6.30 - 8.30 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Thursdays	7.30 – 8.30 pm	Auditorium	Worship Practice
Thursdays	6.30 - 8.30 pm	Lower hall	Pilates
Top hall remains out of bounds <b>at all times</b>	Clinics operate at various times depending on demand.	Top hall & Top car park	Medical HQ Vaccination and Covid Testing Clinics

## SUNDAY WORSHIP ROSTER

Role	13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	20 <sup>th</sup> Mar		13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	20 <sup>th</sup> Mar
<b>Prayer with Preacher</b>	Di C	Meg E	<b>Tick &amp; Flick</b>	Trevor C	Trevor C
<b>Worship Leader</b>	David W	Nola P	<b>Door</b>	Jan R Gus R	David R Jenny R
<b>Preacher</b>	David W	Linda D	<b>Notices</b>	Brenton S	Don B
<b>Singer</b>	Friederike A-W Allan A Lyndon R	Ann B Jean R Jeanine D	<b>Count Offering</b>	Sylvia M David W	Trevor G Gus R
<b>Sound</b>	Noel B	Don B	<b>Bible Reader</b>	Ann T	Shelley W
<b>Data</b>	Sam W	David W	<b>Morning Tea</b>	Coralie S	Jan R
<b>Chair Steward</b>	Scott T Sharon T	Brenton S Trevor G	<b>Communion Server</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>Building Steward</b>	Noel M	Richard R	<b>Communion Prep</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>Flowers</b>	Di C	Jenny R			

Please swap with someone if you can't do the date you are assigned and if possible, please also notify the office of the change. It is very important during this pandemic that you do not attend services when you are unwell. Please swap with someone, or if late notice on the Sunday morning, contact Linda Driver or the worship leader for that service. Thank you.