



Supply Minister:

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Sunday 15th May 2022

Welcome to worship this morning.

Rev Paul Turley will be sharing the message with us today.

Worship on-site

Please don't attend in person if you are unwell or if you have been notified by anyone that you may be a close contact. SA government mask requirements have been removed – but masks are still strongly recommended in crowded spaces. So whilst you are no longer required to wear a mask it is our hope that an individual's choice to wear a mask will be supported and respected for those who wish to maintain this practice. You are encouraged to continue with hand sanitizing and social distancing (no hugging or handshakes).

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=M1pMZCtXY2FGOENtaGN3M3EwcVh6Zz09>

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

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.

Connect Group	When/Where	Contact
Book Club	1 st and 3 rd Tues at 9 am. Indigo Espresso Café	Linda Driver
Fellowship Group	2 nd & 4 th Wed at 1.30 pm. Indigo Espresso Café	Nola Pearce
Threads	2 nd & 4 th Tues 2-4 pm. Indigo Espresso Café	Linda Driver
Triple Cs - Men's Group.	2 nd Wed of the month at 10.30 am. Cafe Settebello.	Ray Walter
TOFs	1 st Tuesday of the month, 2 pm – 4 pm. Venues vary	Sheralyn Robertson
Stay & Play @ Home	Enrol on the church website for play ideas at home.	Joy & Bruce Stewart
Wirra Play Days	28 th June, 20 th Sept & 6 th Dec. In the wirra!	Joy & Bruce Stewart

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Please email newsletter items to newsletter@athelstonechurch.org.au by 5pm Wednesday.

Triple C's

Second Wednesday in the month is the BIG TRIPLE C'S gathering at Settebello timed for 1030hrs. So Chaps come along for Coffee and Chat. Last two sessions have been light on in attendance, was it due to sickness, other appointments or is a different venue required. If the latter, where else could you recommend?

We are hoping for a real buzz of conversation this coming Wednesday, whether you come for 20, 30 or 60 minutes.

Ray Walter

Stay and Play at Home

Stay and Players will explore the theme "Glass helps us to see more clearly" in Term 2. Come and join us for Wirra Play Days. Only 3 sessions this year to go! Help set up/pack up, chat to carers or play with children. Check out the Church website to enroll for Stay and Play @ Home, get some ideas for preschoolers at home, make new friends through FaceBook and Buddy Play Dates, or enjoy some nature play at a Wirra Play Day.

Joy and Bruce Stewart



MISSIONAL

AKWAK Art Installation

Our AKWAK Art Installation has been installed in the Uniting Church Synod Office Foyer.

Good Vibrations Concert – at AUC on Thursday, 26 May at 2:00pm.

The very talented Terry Nicholas will be singing a selection of the 'feel good' hits of the 70's and 80's.

Tickets are \$20pp, and included is an afternoon tea. For catering purposes, tickets must be pre-purchased from Sylvia Maywald, Carole Walter or Jayne Nicholas. All funds raised will be donated to FoodbankSA or other charitable organisations. We hope to see you there!

Sylvia Maywald.

Packing Day

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 5th and Monday June 6th.** 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. 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. You will find the packing list flier on the church website.

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

Church Council Report

Church Council update from Tuesday 26 April meeting

1. We have received a summary report from the National Church Life Survey that our congregation participated earlier this year. The summary report can be accessed through the following link - <https://reports.ncls.org.au/profile/ChurchLifeProfile2021Summary/A3433T> - there you will see some very positive responses about our church community.
2. Medical HQ has installed new toilets and fencing at their Respiratory Clinic. It means access to the rear of the clinic building is now through a gate that is locked at night and on weekends so anyone needing to access this area can obtain a key from the key ring located outside the men's toilet.
3. Melissa O'Hara has kindly volunteered to take on the role of Kitchen Coordinator so we can now commence opening up the use of the kitchen.
4. Even though Covid restrictions have been relaxed the decision has been made to continue our current practice of using the communion kits until such time as we feel there is no risk to resume serving communion as we used to do it.
5. Council has agreed to allow AKWAK to use our church as a short term storage and packing facility in late June as they have been forced to move from their current location and they had no alternative option. Council has provided them with a short term solution.
6. Council has endorsed another Blessing of the Animals service to take place in October with a decision as to whether to hold it an external outdoor location or at the church as was the case last year still to be determined. Feedback from animal owners likely to attend could be appreciated.

Jeff Dry, Chairperson

Election Resource

Ahead of the 2022 Federal Election, the Uniting Church Assembly has released a resource which expresses our hope for Australia to become a nation where all people and the whole creation can flourish.

Drawing on the UCA document Our Vision for a Just Australia, the election resource will be a useful resource to help start discussion and for UCA members to consider as we engage with candidates about their policies.

Click here to download: <https://uniting.church/federal-election-resources/>

Stuck in Isolation?

Are you stuck in isolation either as a close contact or someone with COVID... or for any other reason? Please do let us know so we can support you.

Rev Linda for the Pastoral Care team

Offering

Why do we give? We give to support the ministry and mission of the Church. We give in response to all that God has done for us. Giving is an act of worship.

How much do we give? We give as we are able. Pray for wisdom on how generously you are called to give. "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7 NIV)

How do we give? Regular electronic giving and 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>.

Cash Offerings are received on Sunday mornings in the Offering Box on the Giving Table. Contact Glen Luestner for more information.

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)

WIDER CHURCH

Campbelltown Uniting Church 175th Anniversary

Campbelltown Uniting Church is celebrating 175 years of Methodist/Uniting Church worship, witness and service in the district and looking forward to a hope-filled future. They are planning a number of events throughout the year to remember and celebrate. Please collect a flier from the newsstand in the church foyer for more information.

An anniversary service will be held on Sunday, 15th May at 10.00 am. The Moderator will preach and all are welcome to join in worship and morning tea.

CMLA Book Club

Come join CMLA in a guided reading of Trent Daltons beautifully written **Love Stories**. Inspired by a personal moment of profound love and generosity, Trent Dalton, bestselling author and one of Australia's finest journalists, spent two months in 2021 speaking to people from all walks of life, asking them one simple and direct question: 'Can you please tell me a love story?' How does the church tell love stories? What can we learn about love from the everyday and the commonplace? How does this form and inform our church communities and the worship we share? Dates: July 5, 12, 19, 26. Cost: \$25. For more information and to register please go to www.cmla.org.au.

Red Dove Café – Seeking Volunteers

Red Cove Café provides an opportunity at the Royal Adelaide Show to be the light of Christ to those who are there - especially to the country people who come in and stay the week. It is a wonderful mission opportunity - it is like having a mission trip but still being able to sleep in your own bed! If you are able to volunteer to sign up to serve as an individual, or as a small group to serve together, then please grab a flier from the newsstand in the foyer or contact Ruthmary Bond on ruthmarybond@gmail.com.

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/>

CHURCH BUILDING - BOOKINGS

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

Day	Time	Location	Hirer/User
Sunday 15th May	10.30 am – 1.00 pm	Deck and Lower Hall	Fry Private Function (Weather Backup)
Saturdays	9.30 – 11.30 pm	Main auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Saturdays	9.00 - 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 – 10.30 am	Lower hall	Pilates
Tuesday 17th May	2.30 – 3.30 pm	Meeting Room	Pastoral Care Meeting
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
Friday 20th May	12.30 – 3.00 pm	Meeting Room	Private Hirer - Wimala Standing Com.
Saturday 21st May	All Day	Whole Building	Federal Election and Bake Sale/BBQ
At all times	Covid clinics operate at various times. Top hall remains out of bounds <u>at all other times</u>	Top hall & Top car park	Medical HQ

SUNDAY WORSHIP ROSTER

Role	15 th May	22 nd May	Role	15 th May	22 nd May
Prayer with Preacher	Tara S	Jeff D	Tick & Flick	Trevor C	Trevor C
Worship Leader	Robyn S	David Walker	Door	Gus R Jan R	Brenton S Coralie S
Preacher	Paul T	Rev Ian Olver	Notices	Brenton S	Don B
Singer	Jean R Bob S	Jeanine Dry Ann Brown Lyndon Rowe	Count Offering	Bob S Friederike A-W	Gus R Sylvia M
Sound Desk	Don B	Noel M	Bible Reader	Friederike A-W	Jayne N
Data Projector	David W	Shelley W	Flowers	Di C	Marie H
Chair Steward	Trevor G Bob S	Jeff D Brenton S	Communion Prep	N/A	N/A
Building Steward	Eric H	Noel M	Communion Servers	N/A	N/A

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.