Minister: Rev Do Young Kim

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## Sunday 14th April 2024

Welcome to worship at Athelstone! Our preacher this morning will be Rev Do Young Kim.

### A Message from Do Young

We believe that last Sunday afternoon at Athelstone Uniting Church was filled with joy. I extend my sincere gratitude to all who participated in and prepared for the Induction Service. Among the many aspects of the service, the hymn "In the Garden," which we sang together, seemed to resonate deeply with many members. When Jeff asked me for a meaningful hymn, I did not hesitate to suggest "In the Garden". This hymn holds a special place in my heart because it was one my grandmother often hummed. Its melody carries the essence of her life and faith, which now feels even more special as I await news of her receiving God's call while resting in Palliative Care at the remarkable age of almost 99+.

It is particularly significant that our hometown has been influenced by the history of Australian missionaries about 120 years ago who initially established and nurtured Korean churches. Consequently, she was guided by someone's hand to attend Sunday school during her childhood, and she holds the distinction of being the first Christian in our family. This connection makes our community even more remarkable. "Isn't it undeniable that God has already planned our meeting?"

Despite the upheavals of history, including Japan's colonization of Korea, the traumas of the Korean War, and the turbulence of civil war, amidst these tumultuous events, she found refuge and inspiration in her faith, which sustained her through the rapid urbanization and the ebbs and flows of democracy's development.

"And He walks with me, and He talks with me, And He tells me I am His own, and the joy we share as we tarry there, None other has ever known."

Like the beautiful melody of the hymn, may she, as well as all of us, embark on a journey with Christ. Reflecting on the moment when the disciples recognized Jesus in the village of Emmaus, they said "Were not our hearts burning?" let us contemplate how we can pass down the beautiful legacy of faith and experiences to the next generation. We hope and pray that our shared faith will continue to inspire and guide our children in the same beautiful way.

Furthermore, I look forward to walking alongside you as we embark on this new journey together as a newly started minister, sharing stories, and experiencing joys and sorrows together. Of course, I also hope to contribute to building a beautiful community together with all of you. Blessings.

Yours in Peace and Grace,

Do Young

#### WORSHIP

### Worship Online or at Home

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

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88191652947?pwd=M1pMZCtXY2FGOENtaGN3M3EwcVh6Zz09

Alternatively, enter this Meeting ID: 881 9165 2947 and pass code: 7777

Services are recorded each week. To request a copy please contact the church office.

If you are away or not able to connect with us on zoom you might find the Worship at Home resource a helpful alternative to use. This self-guided resource has been prepared by Rev Cheryl Wilson of Ascot Park Uniting and can be accessed each week at the following link: <a href="https://sa.uca.org.au/worship-at-home/">https://sa.uca.org.au/worship-at-home/</a>

## Induction Service - Thank you!

What a wonderful celebration service we witnessed last Sunday afternoon attended by over 100 people. Thanks to all who came to be part of this special service and to the team who contributed in some way from musicians, singers, tech people (sound, data and zoom), congregation reps, afternoon tea helpers, readers, prayers, door greeters and to Paul Turley and Trevor Phillips for their part. We look forward to our future ministry with Do Young Kim.

For those who were unable to be there in person here is a link to the Zoom service: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xXu5KxZ7tq9AcDYOcqtkquW4Pu3CoJYY/view?usp=sharing

### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

## **Treasurer Update**

I have finally received correspondence from Act for Peace advising contributions to Christmas Bowl from Athelstone Uniting membership totalled \$445.40.

I can also advise \$705.45 was received at Do Young's induction service, which has been sent to Synod to support training of ministers for the Uniting Church.

As advised at the AGM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March we need our income to increase this year to turn our budget from negative \$19,251.00 to a breakeven position. We are able to draw down on our investment funds to partially reduce this deficit but we are also looking for an increase in our normal giving.

The first three months of this year show our normal giving is down approximately \$600 per month. We require our normal giving to actually increase by approximately \$400 per month. Total increase now required of \$1,000 per month equates to a 10% increase in our normal giving.

Increasing your direct debit can be achieved simply by phoning UCInvest on 1300 274 151 or your bank.

Regards, Glen Luestner, Treasurer

#### SAFE CHURCH

# Safe Church Update

As most of us are aware, Synod has requested that, all persons in a leadership role or who have some role of responsibility within the Athelstone Uniting Church are required to complete a Working With Children Check (WWCC). It appears a number of our congregation are being contacted about renewing their WWCC, which is only current for a 5-year period. To help clarify the position with these checks please refer to the below Newsletter insert which provides valuable information from Synod on why and how to meet this compliance requirement. The process is relatively simple and there is no cost to the individual so please ensure that when you receive your reminder to renew you action this request. If you still have further questions then please speak to Jeff Dry.

Once you have renewed your WWCC, please forward the official email to office@athelstonechurch.org.au so that we can update your details in our database. Thank you.

## Safe Church Update from Synod

Often we hear 'we don't have any children - so we don't need Working with Children Checks!'

While the name of this key screening check identifies Children as its primary focus, the definition under the Child Safety (Prohibited Persons) Regulations (SA) 7:(7)(2) defines 'child related work' as **any services or activities provided by a religious organisation**.

It is nearly 5 years since the introduction of the Working With Children Check (WWCC) became a minimum requirement for those with roles of responsibility within the life of the church. We are aware that there are still many congregations where even those in key leadership roles (e.g. Church Council officers and members) may not have, or that we do not have, any record of active screenings. It is important that we are compliant with this requirement as a key factor in our safeguarding within our church community.

For those individuals who currently have WWCC that was completed through and/or registered through Synod Screening Unit, reminders are being sent to the email address recorded at the time of the check being completed.

Many who have General Probity and/or Vulnerable Persons checks may have already renewed those screenings, as they are valid for 3 years. The WWCC is valid for 5 years.

The Department for Human Services recently confirmed it has begun to send reminders as well. We are aware that this may cause some confusion.

#### To clarify:

To complete your screening request through the Uniting Church, please go to

#### https://safechurch.ucasa.org.au/resources/#screening

And complete the Step 1 Form to request an application to commence a new screening.

Once you have completed Step 1, you will receive a confirmation email from the Synod Screening Unit to let you know this request has been processed (on the next available business day). You will then receive an email from the Department of Human Services (DHS). You can then use this link from DHS to complete the online application.

Note that if you have recently updated your WWCC through another organisation please still complete the Step 1 form so we may update our records.

More information regarding Screenings and who needs what screening is outlined in the Duty of Care Policy, which can be found on the Safe Church website also at this link: https://safechurch.ucasa.org.au/resources/#screening

### **CONNECT GROUPS**

## **Friday Night Home Group**

You are invited to consider joining The Friday Night Home Group. We have been meeting for a number of years as a small study-focussed group and we now seek to encourage some new members to join us. We wish to continue as a relatively small group, but we feel it is time to boost our number and enrich our meetings in the process.

We meet regularly on Friday evenings, usually fortnightly, from 7:45pm, and our format involves using a published study guide as the basis of our discussions, but with ample room for 'little red fish' to enliven our proceedings.

You are invited to join us for a meeting, to get a taste of what we get up to, and to sample what we regard as our strength, which is mutual support and honest challenging.

It is no coincidence that our current study is on the subject of "Fruit of the Spirit" which is a good checklist of important aspects of a Christian life. If you are interested, please contact me by phone or email.

Chris Pritchard, 0409 695 477

### Wirra - Watch and Wonder

Parnati/Autumn is here! Visit the wirra and smell the freshness after the rain. Join in the game of "Find and move the blue bird". Check out the new display in the lower hall and learn something about Kaurna culture and how our wirra is connected to our local environment. Joy and Bruce



### **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 in 2024.

Connect Group	When/Where	Contact
Book Club	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues of the month at 9.30–10.30 am in Indigo Espresso Cafe	Office
Threads	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues of the month at 2-4 pm in Indigo Espresso Café	Office
Triple Cs – Men's Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month at 10.30 am. Venues vary.	Ray Walter
TOFs Fellowship Group	1 <sup>st</sup> Tues of the month. 2 – 4pm. Venues vary.	Sheralyn Robertson

### **NOTICES FOR MEMBERS**

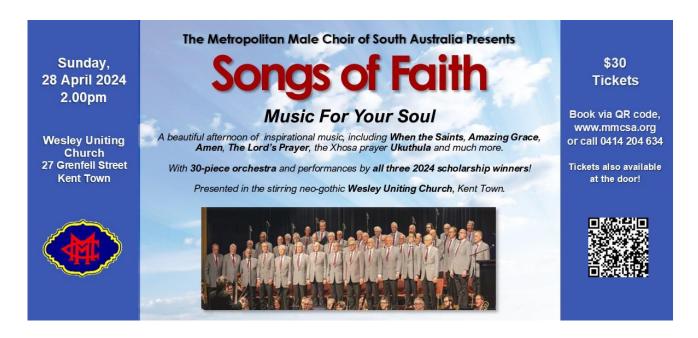
## **Inner Wheel Fashion Parade 02 May**

Attention all Ladies! The Inner Wheel Club of Tea Tree Gully is hosting a Fashion Parade at our church on Thursday, 2nd of May at 2pm. Fella Hamilton will be presenting their autumn/winter fashion range. Tickets are a bargain at \$20, with \$5 raffle tickets available on the day and afternoon tea is included. Be quick to obtain your tickets and do bring friends, as we often sell out. Pre-purchase of tickets is required, for catering purposes. Tickets are available from Sylvia Maywald (0408 810 507) or Jayne Nicholas (0418 836 266), or any of the other Inner Wheel members who attend AUC. All funds raised will be donated to the Lions Hearing Dogs charity located at Verdun, which provides assistance dogs for hearing impaired people and is funded totally through public donations.

### Songs of Faith - a Glorious Concert!

Dave & Shelley Walker and Lynton Nicholas are involved with, and invite you to a 'Songs of Faith – a Glorious Concert' concert. The program is one of inspirational sacred music for the soul as is presented by the Metropolitan Male Choir of SA with Orchestra and Guest Artists. Sunday April 28, 2 pm at Kent Town (Wesley) Uniting Church.

Tickets via <a href="https://mmcsa.org/events/songs-of-faith/">https://mmcsa.org/events/songs-of-faith/</a>



### **Prayer Requests**

Can we support you in prayer? Here is how:

<u>Prayer Chain</u> - 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.

<u>Confidential Prayers</u> - If the issue is more personal, you are invited to contact Ken Wright for individual prayer or one the members of the Pastoral Care Oversight team (Lee O'Connell, Brenton Summers, Ann Brown and Bob Stevenson). All prayer requests going to the team will be kept strictly confidential within this team.

<u>Prayers for Others (Sunday Worship)</u> - If you have something you would like to be included, please let Brenton Summers know. "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).

## 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

#### **MISSIONAL**

## Packing Day Update: June 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>

Planning is well underway for this year's Packing Day. The shed is starting to fill up and I am getting calls from other churches about delivery of goods. Please ask your family and friends to go through their wardrobes and donate suitable items. We particularly need men and children's clothing.

We only send new underwear and would appreciate donations of new underwear to include in our boxes.

Pick up the list of suitable items for our northern indigenous communities from the pamphlet display in the church foyer, but if you have good quality items that could go to the other areas listed above, please feel free to donate those as well. As these items are going to Pt Augusta and Alice Springs, clothing for cooler conditions is acceptable.

Jayne Nicholas

### **MISSIONS**

Here are just some of our ongoing mission projects at Athelstone UC:

Uniting Communities	Please keep bringing in your donations and let us fill the giving table
Aussie Bread tags for Wheelchairs	Bring your plastic bread tags to church to support this charity. You will find a container on the giving table. Please be sure to check your bread tags are plastic. You can do this by folding the bread tag. Cardboard bread tags bend, whilst plastics tags snap when folded. Cardboard tags can go in your green bin. The charity can only use plastic tags.
Sally Stamp	Bring stamps to the office or giving table to help with this ministry

### WIDER CHURCH

### Wider Church News - Links

Uniting Church in Australia: <a href="https://uniting.church/">https://uniting.church/</a>

Uniting Church in South Australia: https://sa.uca.org.au/

To receive SA UC E-News personally, subscribe at <a href="https://sa.uca.org.au/uc-e-news/">https://sa.uca.org.au/uc-e-news/</a>

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

Wimala Presbytery website: <a href="https://wimala.ucasa.org.au/">https://wimala.ucasa.org.au/</a>

Frontier News: <a href="https://frontierservices.org/news-media/our-resources/frontier-news/">https://frontierservices.org/news-media/our-resources/frontier-news/</a>

## **CHURCH BUILDING - BOOKINGS**

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

Day	Time	Location	Hirer/User
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	4.45 – 6.45 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30 – 11.30 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	2.30 – 3.30 pm	Meeting Room	Pastoral Care Team Meeting
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30 – 10.30 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	7.30 – 8.30 pm	Auditorium	Worship Practice
Saturday 20 <sup>h</sup> April	9.00 – 11.30 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30 – 12.00 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Mon, Wed, Fri	9.00 – 3.00 pm	Top Hall	AGPN

Athelstone Uniting Church Postal Address: PO Box 307, Athelstone, And SA 5076: Office Hours: Tues/Thurs: 9.30am – 12.30pm: Office Phone: (08) 8336 9905: Office Email: office@athelstonechurch.org.au : Web: athelstonechurch.org.au: Newsletter Items: Please submit to the office by Wednesdays at 5 pm for next newsletter.

## **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP ROSTER**

2024		Sun/14/Apr	Sun/21/Apr	
& Liturg	Worship Leader	David Walker	Di Curtis	
	Preacher	Do Young Kim	Do Young Kim	
	Pray with Preacher	Lee O'Connell	Stella Waugh	
eachi	Notices	Lee O'Connell	Sylvia Maywald	
Pr	Bible Reader	Ann Brown	Melissa Denison	
	Piano / Keyboard	Shelley Walker	Celine Leslie	
	Singers	Ann Brown	Friederike Ashby-Weiss	
Music Team		Lynton Nicholas	Sylvia Maywald	
		Allan Amber		
Σ	Guitar	Chris Pritchard	Chris Pritchard	
	Bass / 2nd Guitar	Scott Tilley	Scott Tilley	
	Drums / Percussion	Glen Luestner		
[a]	Sound Desk	Don Brown	Noel Maywald	
Technical	Data Operator	Samantha Walker	David Walker	
Te	Zoom Production	Tara Shirlock	Paul Howland	
noin	Preparation	Leanne Shirlock	_	
mmunion	Servers / Helpers	Stella Waugh	_	
Com		Lee O'Connell	_	
ent	Flowers	Raelene Anderson	Di Curtis	
Engagement	Door Greeters	Gus Robin	Coralie Summers	
Eng		Jan Robin	Brenton Summers	
	Building Steward	Noel Maywald	Paul Howland	
on	Chair Stewards	Scott Tilley	Paul Howland	
strati		Sharon Tilley	Brenton Summers	
Administration	Tick and Flick	Brenton Summers	Trevor Curtis	
Ad	Count Offering	Ray Walter	Paul Howland	
		Lynton Nicholas	David Walker	

If you cannot take your turn, please swap with someone, or if late notice contact the worship leader or Rev Do Young
Kim for that service as appropriate. Thank you.