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*Do Young's day off is Friday*

## **Sunday 24 November 2024**

We welcome you to worship at Athelstone! Our preacher today is Rev Will Hall from Compassion Australia. Rev Hall will share a message that points us to Jesus and His Kingdom work. He has called it 'Beautifully Angry'. It will be a sermon about God's justice. He will unpack what God's righteous anger looks like through the life of Jesus, and how He invites us to be like Him.

### **A Note from Do Young**

On Tuesday afternoon, I had the privilege of attending my daughter's Year 12 induction. It was a truly special moment, especially during the induction service where we sang the hymn "*Will You Come and Follow Me*" (*The Summons*). The hymn deeply moved me, reminding me of the beauty and significance of responding to Christ's call in our lives.

*(V4) Will you love the 'you' you hide  
If I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
And never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
To reshape the world around,  
Through my sight and touch and sound  
In you and you in me?*

*(V5) Lord, your summons echoes true  
When you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
And never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
Where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
In you and you in me.*

As I prayed and blessed my daughter during the ceremony, my heart also lifted prayers for all the Year 12 students and their parents. This final year of high school is such an important chapter—a time filled with challenges, growth, and grace. Of course, there may also be moments of stress and anxiety, but I prayed that God's blessings and guidance would be with them all as they walk through this journey.

One moment that stood out to me was the speech given by the Head Student. She spoke with such wisdom, encouraging her peers to find a rhythm in their journey: to pause and take a breath, to run toward their goals, and to repeat this rhythm with perseverance and purpose. Her words resonated deeply with me, especially as they connected so beautifully to the theme of one of our recent sermons, "*Slow God*." Perhaps that's why I found myself so focused on her message. It was a timely reminder of the importance of taking moments to pause, reflect, and lean on God's strength before continuing on our path with renewed purpose.

As I prepare to take two weeks of annual leave, I carry these reflections with me. Let us, as a community, continue to walk faithfully, trusting in God's grace. Even when the journey feels long, we can move forward—steady and patient—because we have the Lord.

As we approach the season of Advent and look toward Christmas, this is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on love, waiting, hope, joy, and celebration. These gifts of the season are often missed if we are too hurried or consumed by other distractions. So let us slow down and discover them together, systematic, resting in the quiet yet enduring presence of God's love.

With blessings and love, **Do Young**

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*Please be aware that our worship services are live streamed on ZOOM so if you are not comfortable in having your image captured then we encourage you to sit in the back row of the church in front of the creative tables.*

## Minister's Annual Leave

Our minister, Rev Do Young Kim, is on annual leave from Thursday 21 November 2024.

He will be back in the office on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

For any pastoral concerns during this time, please contact Brenton Summers, or another member of the Pastoral Care team. For any other matters, please contact the office on [office@athelstonechurch.org.au](mailto:office@athelstonechurch.org.au).

We wish Do Young, Dana, Hayeon and Haryne safe travels and a restful and relaxing time together.

## Christmas Service Times

Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00 pm to 6.00 pm	Messy Christmas
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30 pm	Family & Carols Service
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30 am	Christmas Day

## 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: <https://sa.uca.org.au/worship-at-home/>

## MISSIONS

### Everything in Common Gift Catalogues

Looking for unique Christmas Gifts that fight poverty and change lives? There are a few copies of the new 'Everything in Common Gift Catalogues' in the pamphlet display and entry foyer. Each gift you give a loved one supports communities in the Pacific, Asia and Africa to fight poverty in the face of climate change and environmental degradation. Please take a copy of the catalogue if you would like one. You can also find purchase information online at the following link: <https://donate.unitingworld.org.au/everythingincommon>

## 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. <b>Please be sure to check your bread tags are plastic.</b> 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. <u>The charity can only use plastic tags.</u>
Sally Stamp	Bring stamps to the office or giving table to help with this ministry.

## 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 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues of the month at 9.00am, Indigo Espresso Cafe	Office
Sunday Nights	6 pm. Venue varies each week.	Melissa O'Hara/Robyn Fry
Threads	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues of the month, 2-4 pm, 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

## Triple C's

I have booked a table for DEC 4 at the Marche Club Cnr of Darley/Gorge Roads for luncheon at a cost of \$20.00 pp. please advise me if you intend coming along. It is the same format as in past years, namely pasta, a main, cake and coffee. *Regards Ray*

## Wirra – Watch and Wonder



Wirrtuti (Spring) has been a busy season in the wirra.

We enjoyed National Shared Reading Week facilitated by Street Library Australia, from 28<sup>th</sup> October to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, when families with young children visited for story time and explored activities based on “The Very Hungry Caterpillar” by Eric Carle. Check out the shiny new badge on the Children’s Street Library that we earned.

We are grateful to the S.A. Rock members who have been supportive and active swapping rocks, some in The Rock Pot and others hidden throughout the wirra. One member recently visited and posted on Face book

“This is such a beautiful space at Wakwakurnaku Wirra, Children’s Forest! With so much to see and explore. I won’t spoil it if you plan to visit.”

Come, explore, and find one or two rocks to keep give to someone as an act of kindness or hide somewhere else in your travels. It’s a great way to learn a bit of geography as each rock usually has a postcode and you can often watch it travel interstate and even sometimes overseas. *Joy and Bruce Stewart.*

## WIDER CHURCH

### Wider Church News - Links

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

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

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

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

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

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

## NOTICES FOR MEMBERS

### An Authentic Celebration of Christmas

Lynton & David invite you to the next Metropolitan Male Choir Concert. Saturday December 14, 7.30pm at Elder Hall

The Metropolitan Male Choir of South Australia presents

Saturday  
14 December 2024  
7.30pm  
Elder Hall  
Tickets—\$35\*

TICKETS:  
Call 0401 204 634,  
visit [www.mmcsa.org](http://www.mmcsa.org)  
or use the QR Code above

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**A Celebration of Christmas**  
Give Yourself the Gift of Music!  
*Part proceeds donated in support of The Smith Family.*

The poster features a group photograph of the Metropolitan Male Choir members in grey suits and red ties, standing on a stage. The background is decorated with Christmas trees and red berries. A QR code is located on the left side of the poster.

### Prayer Requests

Can we support you in prayer? Here is 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 Rev Do Young Kim 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.

Prayers for Others (Sunday Worship) - 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.

## CHURCH BUILDING BOOKINGS

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

Day	Time	Location	Hirer/User
Monday 25 Nov	4.45 – 6.45 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Monday 25 Nov	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Tuesday 26 Nov	9.30 – 11.30 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Tuesday 26 Nov	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Wednesday 27 Nov	9.30 – 10.30 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
<b>Wednesday 27 Nov</b>	<b>7.00 – 9.00 pm</b>	<b>Meeting Room</b>	<b>Church Council Meeting</b>
Thursday 28 Nov	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Thursday 28 Nov	7.00 – 8.00 pm	Auditorium	Worship Practice
Saturday 30 Nov	9.30 – 12.30 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Saturday 30 Nov	9.00 – 11.00 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Mon, Wed, Fri	9.00 – 3.00 pm	Top Hall	Australian General Practice Network

*Athelstone Uniting Church acknowledges the Kaurna people whom God placed as the traditional custodians of the country on which our church stands. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land*

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**Newsletter Items:** Please submit to the office by Wednesdays at 5 pm for next newsletter.

## SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP ROSTER

2024		Sun/24/Nov	Sun/1/Dec
<b>Preaching &amp; Liturgy</b>	Worship Leader	David Walker	Di Curtis
	Preacher	Will Hall (Compassion)	Rev Doug Hosking
	Pray with Preacher	Di Curtis	Glen Luestner
	Notices	Brenton Summers	Sylvia Maywald
	Bible Reader	Friederike Ashby-Weiss	Sylvia Maywald
<b>Music Team</b>	Piano / Keyboard	Di Curtis	Celine Leslie
	Singers	Ann Brown	Sylvia Maywald
		Allan Amber	Lynton Nicholas
		Friederike Ashby-Weiss	
	Guitar	Chris Pritchard	Chris Pritchard
	Bass / 2nd Guitar	Shelley Walker	Shelley Walker
Drums / Percussion		Glen Luestner	
<b>Technical</b>	Sound Desk	Don Brown	Noel Maywald
	Data Operator	Samantha Walker	David Walker
	Zoom Production	Paul Howland	Paul Howland
<b>Communion</b>	Preparation	—	Leanne Shirlock
	Servers / Helpers	—	Eric Hurrell Stella Waugh
<b>Engagement</b>	Flowers	Mignon Martin	Jenny Riggall
	Door Greeters	Lee O'Connell	David Riggall
		Jean Richardson	Jenny Riggall
<b>Administration</b>	Building Steward	Paul Howland	Richard Read
	Chair Stewards	Paul Howland	Brenton Summers
		Jeff Dry	Paul Howland
	Tick and Flick	Trevor Curtis	Trevor Curtis
	Count Offering	Paul Howland	Don Brown
Friederike Ashby-Weiss		Paul Howland	

*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.*