



**Athelstone Uniting Church  
Newsletter – 16 March 2025**

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Do Young's day off is Friday

**We welcome you to worship at Athelstone! Our preacher today is Rev Do Young Kim.**

Our Annual General Meeting will be held at 10.45 am today, following the 9.30 am morning service

Messy Church is also on TODAY at 4 – 6 pm

**WORSHIP**

**Messy Church – This Sunday at 4 pm!**

Messy Church returns **THIS Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 4 pm**. We are delighted to invite you to share in this wonderful opportunity to get creative, share engaging stories and have a meal together. Please come along and don't forget to bring your friends! We look forward to seeing you there. Anyone is welcome! See the end of this newsletter for a flier to share with family and friends.

**Messy Church Dates 2025**

Date	Time	Theme
<b>Sunday, March 16</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Creation &amp; Gratitude</b>
Sunday, May 4	4:00 PM	The Love of Jesus
Sunday, July 20	4:00 PM	Faith & Courage
Sunday, September 14	4:00 PM	Walking with God
Sunday, November 30	4:00 PM	Christmas

**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/>

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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*

## MISSIONS

### Uniting World - Lent Appeal

Each year the Uniting Church of Australia, through Uniting World, carefully selects a significant project of outreach and Christian mission. This year's lent appeal is supporting our neighbours in the Pacific, Asia and Africa, who due to the ever-growing climate crisis, are living with its devastating impacts. Families are being displaced by disaster; lands are becoming infertile and clean water is becoming harder to find and store. For those already living in poverty, these challenges are immense, and the chance to rebuild after disasters is impossible without help.

There are a few giving envelopes left on the Giving Table to donate to this year's Lent Appeal.

Alternatively, you can give online at <https://unitingworld.org.au/join-us-for-lent-event-2025/>

### Packing Day 2025: Be excited, Be involved!

Once again, AUC will be involved in Packing Day. Packing Day is a chance for our church community to co-ordinate the packing of clothing and household items to remote northern aboriginal communities.

What you need to do:

- Save the date – Sunday June 1st and Monday June 2nd
- Start collecting clothing and household goods – we pack for tropical communities so need clothing that is suitable for this climate.
- Ask friends and family to collect suitable clothing and household items – we have been particularly short of children and men's clothing in the past.
- Collected items can be brought along to church and placed in the shed.

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

## Missions

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

Sally Stamp	Bring stamps to the office or giving table to help with this ministry.
Uniting Communities	Please keep bringing in your donations and let us fill the giving table

## CONNECT GROUPS

### Wirra – Watch and Wonder



Harmony Week will be celebrated Australia wide this year from 17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> March and what better place to spend time celebrating than in the wirra. Come and enjoy the harmony of God's creation, explore and reflect on our multicultural community through activities provided and maybe even find a special SA Rock. If you would like to know more about Harmony Day/Week, check out the display board at the back of the church.

*(Photo Credit: J & B Stewart)*

*Joy and Bruce Stewart*

## 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 9.30am, Indigo Espresso Cafe.	Office
Sunday Nights	6 pm. Venue varies each week.	Melissa O'Hara
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

## NOTICES FOR MEMBERS

### Pastoral Care – New initiative



The Pastoral Care team have decided on a new initiative.

If you have a family member, relative or friend who has recently died we wish to light a candle at the beginning of a service to honour that person and to share in your grief.

One of the Pastoral Care team or the Worship leader will say a few sentences in memory of your loved one and light the candle, which will remain lit for the duration of the service.

For more information: Please contact a member of the Pastoral Care team

*Photo Credit: Do Young Kim.*

### Iphone Xs or later?

Does anyone have an iphone Xs or later that they no longer require and could be donated to the church. We require this to set up contactless payments (Tap and Go) that can be used for Messy Church, fundraising events etc. Please contact treasurer Glen Luestner on 041 052 842.

### 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.

## WIDER CHURCH

### Festival of Hymns

As part of the Fringe Festival, James Lloyd, one of the organists at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral in Wakefield Street, Adelaide is leading an hour of hymn singing on Sunday 16 March at 1 pm in the Cathedral. Admission is Free! It's a fantastic opportunity to gather and sing some favourite hymns. Please see flier on the noticeboard.

### Easter Sights and Sounds

Members of our congregation have been invited to join Spicer in this wonderful ministry event. They are looking for people to serve God with them and for them to bring their family and friends to experience the Sights and Sounds of Easter. There is a \$5 entry fee. Please see the noticeboard for more information.

### 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/>

## CHURCH BUILDING BOOKINGS

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

Day	Time	Location	Hirer/User
Monday 17 March	10.30 – 11.30 am	Auditorium	Gain Momentum Pilates
Monday 17 March	4.45 – 6.45 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Monday 17 March	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Tuesday 18 March	9.30 – 11.30 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Tuesday 18 March	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Wednesday 19 March	9.30 – 10.30 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Thursday 20 March	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Thursday 20 March	7.00 – 8.00 pm	Auditorium	Worship Practice
<b>Friday 21 March</b>	<b>12.00 – 3.00 pm</b>	<b>Lower Hall</b>	<b>Private Hire – GM Pilates Event</b>
Saturday 22 Mar	9.00 – 11.00 am	Lower Hall	Gain Momentum Pilates
Saturday 22 Mar	9.30 – 12.00 pm	Auditorium	Waratah Calisthenics
Mon, Wed, Fri	9.00 – 3.00 pm	Top Hall	Australian General Practice Network

*Athelstone Uniting Church acknowledges the Kurna 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*

## SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP ROSTER

2025		Sun 16 Mar	Sun 23 Mar
<b>Preaching &amp; Liturgy</b>	Worship Leader	David Walker	Robyn Stevenson
	Preacher	Do Young Kim	Do Young Kim
	Pray with Preacher	Glen Luestner	Lee O'Connell
	Notices	Lee O'Connell	Sylvia Maywald
	Bible Reader	Ann Brown	Friederike Ashby-Weiss
<b>Music Team</b>	Piano / Keyboard	Celine Leslie	Di Curtis
	Singers	Ann Brown	Bob Stevenson
		Shelley Walker	Sylvia Maywald
		Janet Luestner	Allan Amber
	Guitar	Chris Pritchard	David Walker
	Bass / 2nd Guitar	Scott Tilley	Shelley Walker
Drums / Percussion	Glen Luestner		
<b>Technical</b>	Sound Desk	Don Brown	Noel Maywald
	Data Operator	Samantha Walker	Samantha Walker
	Zoom Production	Graham Jennings	Tara Shirlock
<b>Engagement</b>	Flowers	Carole Walter	Di Curtis
	Door Greeters	Carole Walter	Hayeon Kim
		Ray Walter	Dana Lim
<b>Administration</b>	Building Steward	Eric Hurrell	Noel Maywald
	Chair Stewards	Glen Luestner	Bob Stevenson
		Janet Luestner	Trevor Goldsmith
	Tick and Flick	Brenton Summers	Trevor Curtis
Count Offering	Glen Luestner	Bob Stevenson	
	Ray Walter	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.*



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



## Welcome Back Messy Church 2025

Messy Church is a fun and welcoming space for all ages to explore faith together. Join us for creative activities, engaging stories, uplifting worship, and a shared meal!

Come laugh, learn, and experience God's love at Messy Church!



**Support Messy Church with Your Donation!**

Your generous donation helps sustain and grow the creative, faith-filled experience of Messy Church. Every contribution, big or small, makes a difference in sharing God's love with our community.

For your convenience, donations can be made via Tap & Go or cash.



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### 2025 Schedule

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Sunday, July 20	4:00 PM
Sunday, Sep 14	4:00 PM
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