

Lent 1

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalms 91:1-2,9-16

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13



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14th February, 2016

If you are new or visiting Adelaide West Uniting Church we are pleased you are here. A Welcome to Adelaide West information sheet is available in the foyer or from the stewards.

This week we begin our journey to Easter. This is a familiar journey. We have done it year after year after year. And yet it is new. We follow a living God and each year God draws us further into 'God-life'. We have decided to focus this Lent on *A life poured out*. Jesus is tempted in the wilderness in a variety of ways – tempted to follow an easier and more exciting path, tempted not to pour his life out for the world. He chooses to follow the path of sacrificial love. Throughout life we will be tempted to choose the easier and more exciting path – to hold tightly to our life imagining that we know best. The irony is that the more we hold onto managing our own life the more we lose it. Indeed Jesus said, "... whoever loses their life for my sake will find it."

This week we have the opportunity to choose to pour out our life for the sake of Christ and his love for the world. Along the way we will be given the bread of life, we will discover a glory that does not fade and a trust in God that is sure and does not need to be constantly tested.



Rod Dyson
Lead Minister

Sunday Worship times:

creative traditional 9.15am

family worship 10.45am

youth & young adults 5.00pm



Uniting Church. **Uniting People.**



Welcome to Worship,

Today in Kids' Space we commence our Lent Journey and will be discussing "choosing".

In our Seahorse room we are talking about Creation. In Mussels, Dolphins and Orca, our group time is titled "How Jesus picks his team".

A forward date for your diaries. KCO will be 10th & 11th September and we are moving venues and heading to Adare. There are still a lot of details to sort out and we are excited about a new adventure. Please keep this date free and details will follow once known.

Blessings as we all head into Lent!

Lorraine, Children and Family Pastor.

Have you returned your contact details for 2016???????

A place to belong, learn to believe in & become like Jesus



The next Progressive Christianity Service will be held on Wednesday, 17th February at 7.00 pm in the Chapel, when the theme for the evening will be *What does it mean to be a person of faith?*

You are very welcome to attend.

Please contact John Maddern or Esmond Dowdy if you require any further information.

Come and try Girls Brigade for all girls aged 5 and up every Monday night during school term between 6.30&8.00pm in the hall at Adelaide West Uniting Church. Come join in activities like cooking, games, crafts, singing, devotions and making new friends.

More details contact Joan Bourn 0403793871.

John Harris's last services

John's last services at Adelaide West will be on Friday night the 19th of February and Sunday night the 21st of February. We will also have acknowledgements in the morning services. Please support John and Chelsea in prayer as they conclude here and begin the transition to a church plant.

Rod Dyson
Lead Minister



Small group dinners...(or lunch.)

Would you like to get to know others at AWUC?

Your dinner party could include youth, young adults, people from the 9.15, 10.45, 5pm services, those new to the Church or visitors.
(Up to about 8 people)

Soon...

Dinner at your place

Dinners of Eight...

Register your interest. Your dinner date can be arranged to suit your preferences. Please email or phone to indicate your interest and leave your contact details.



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Engage Youth News

Join us this Friday for youth, 6pm for dinner (\$5) followed by games, worship and more!

Engage Church: Next Sunday 21st the 5pm service will be slightly shorter. Following the 5pm service young adults will be meeting at 6pm to travel together to the Ignite Adelaide picnic and worship night at the Verdun Orchard (lot 4

Onkaparinga Valley Rd, Verdun), if you're a young adult we'd love you to join us! For more info see igniteadelaide.org.au or track down the facebook event page

John Harris

Youth & Young Adults Pastor



Shining Light Riding by Bike

Bike Training - The first session of bike training in the AWUC car park last Sunday high lighted the generosity of this congregation in allowing the car park to be used. The welcome extended by members of the 5pm service was amazing and their rehearsing provided some great music as participants had their afternoon tea. Three young women from the Northern suburbs will need help today getting their bikes home **after the second and final training session**, please let Uma know if you can assist.

Shining Light Lent Challenge – A requirement of our funding is that participants in training need to keep a log of their kilometers of cycling so that it can be determined if the training has assisted people in increasing their bike riding. Hence the Lent Challenge. All are welcome to join the training participants in setting themselves a personal target during Lent to increase the amount of cycling. Keep a log of the km of bike travel or walking you or your family do and report how you go Uma.preston@gmail.com.

Hope to have some new people back on their bikes and riding to church and elsewhere at the end of the Lent period.

Social Ride and Coffee 27th Feb 9am – 11am – David Bailey has organized a social ride **along a safe route** around the Airport and along the coast to West Beach Surf Life Saving Club. Those just interested in the coffee please feel free to join us at the surf life saving club at 10am. Brochures on table at entrance.

See Uma with your needs or email uma.preston@gmail.com

A gathering will be held on **Saturday 5th March from 9:00am** in the church foyer space, for all people interested in the AWUC garden and its upkeep. It won't be a long meeting but we do need a chance for everyone to chat about the prayer garden, car park diamonds and irrigation in particular.

We promise to supply coffee!

For more information please contact David Bailey 0408 207 675 or Suzi Cousins in the office 8234 1199.

New Chair of Management Committee We thank Wally Woehlert who has accepted the role of the Chair of the Management Committee effective the next meeting (February 16). We look forward to Wally joining this team. We also thank Richard Young, who is standing down from this team, for all his commitments to AWUC both historically and on going.

Blessings,
Matthew Cragg
AWUC Council Chairperson

Not just a Spring Fair meeting.

This year we have a budget of approx. \$14,000 for fundraising to reach for 2016 and historically the bulk of this money has been raised by our annual community Spring Fair.

On Wednesday 24th February at 7:30pm in the AWUC chapel we are holding a meeting to discuss how we propose to achieve this budget. This is an exciting time to discuss change; keeping things as they are; getting new ideas and new people involved - all we know is we have a budget to meet and we are excited about how that might happen.

If you have ideas but can't attend, please email or phone Suzi in the office office@awuc.org.au

World Day of Prayer, Friday 04 March, 2016.

Cuba is the focus of prayer this year under the banner of "Receive children. Receive me."

Come to learn about life for these people in a service prepared by their women.

Held at the Brooklyn Park Church of Christ, 3 Allen Avenue at 10.00am.

ZIMBABWE LIVELIHOODS

Projects that give people the power to live with dignity

What's the situation?

Drought makes living in this area incredibly difficult – most people grow their own food to survive and sometimes live on one meal a day

Water is also hard to find and keep clean.

Resources to build and maintain toilets are rare.

How are we helping?

Through MeDRA (Methodist Development and Relief Agency) people are trained to build their own chicken coops, form groups to breed and sell animals at market and save money to pay for food and other essentials. Groups are also taught to build and upgrade wells and toilets and taught about health and hygiene.

What's on this week...

Today	9:15am	Rod Dyson
	10:45am	Rod Dyson
	2:00 - 4:00pm	Shining Light rider training (2nd week)
	5:00pm	John Harris
Monday 15th	6:30 - 8:00pm	girls brigade AWUC hall
	7:30pm	Men's choir AWUC chapel
Tuesday 16th	9:30 - 11:30am	Craft Group
	5:30	Management committee AWUC hall
	7:00pm	prayer & fasting AWUC chapel
Wednesday 17th	7:00pm	Progressive Christianity AWUC chapel
Thursday 18th	9:30 - 11:30am	mainly music playgroup AWUC hall
Friday 19th	6:00 - 9:30pm	Engage Youth AWUC

Next Sunday 21st February

9:15am	Rod Dyson
10:45am	Rod Dyson
2:00pm	Ordination Service
5:00pm	John Harris

Please note that Suzi is on annual leave from the office this week.

A summary of the previous AWUC church council meeting minutes is now available on the blue notice board and will shortly be accessible on our website. Everyone is encouraged to read these.

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Costs are:

standard pin \$6.00;

dual pin and pocket clip
\$7.00;

magnet \$9.00.