

Lent 3

Isiah 55: 1-9

Psalms 63: 1-8

1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

Luke 13: 1-9



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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.

Today is the fourth Sunday in Lent. We continue to focus on the theme "A life Poured out." The particular focus this week is on reconciliation. One of the key reasons that Jesus came to earth was to bring reconciliation between people and God and indeed between God and the whole creation. This is central to the gospel of Christ.

When you think about reconciliation what is your focus? When someone has hurt you and the relationship has been damaged what gets your attention. It could be getting back at the other person. It could be making them pay so the ledger is squared. Or the most important thing might be re-establishing the relationship. In the story of the prodigal son it seems to be the latter. When the father sees his youngest son in the distance he is filled with compassion and runs and embraces his boy. He does this before he knows what attitude his younger son is returning home with. Imagine the ripples of compassion and restoration where our focus in the strained relationships in our lives.



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,

Here we are at the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent!  
In our “hall” time today Matt Cragg will talk to the Mussels, Dolphins and Orcas about “Reconciliation”.

Our Seahorses are talking about “The Flood”.

This weekend some of our leaders have had the opportunity to attend the Invigor8 Children and Families conference that was held in Hahndorf yesterday. It was a great day of discovering new ideas and networking with others who work with children. We, as the Uniting Church, partner with the Lutheran and Churches of Christ, to host this event.

If you have any questions for Kids' Space this morning please ask any of our “senior” leaders (Linda Story, Louise Fielke or Lynton Willcocks) I am taking the opportunity to recover from the conference yesterday. See you all next week!!

Blessings Lorraine,  
Children and Family Pastor.

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

Evening fellowship will meet on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 p.m. This will be our Easter meeting and we look forward to hearing Liz Dyson speak to us.

Prayer teams.

We would like to see you regularly blessed. We are seeking to establish a prayer team for each morning service. This team would be prepared to offer blessing and prayer for anyone who seeks prayer.

Do you feel in anyway called to join this ministry? If just to learn more, talk to Bryan Crosby at Church or by phone 0403868135.

If you value prayer in your faith journey, please consider...

## Shining Light

### A word from Dorothy

On Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> Feb a group of twenty of us shared the opportunity of a community bike ride as a continuation of the “shining light” initiative during Lent. We were blessed with the weather, each other’s company as well as David Baileys organisational skills which skillfully mapped out our route as we cycled around the airport on paths many of us didn’t know existed.....but will definitely use again. Sincere thanks to David for arranging this opportunity.

My lent challenge to cycle distances under 10km return is progressing well.....this week I have totaled 256 km of cycle time since the start of lent. These are mostly journeys that ordinarily I would have used the car for....with a few extra adventures thrown in. I am really enjoying the challenge as much as I did last year, reflecting on the beauty of the journey to a destination and the space it provides for me to notice the beauty around me rather than the race to a destination. I know many others in the AWUC community are enjoying cycling more so if you feel inclined to join us...Do it.

### Bike to Port, Coast and Back

David is busy organising the next Shared bike ride. It will be on Saturday 2nd April, leaving Mellor Park in Lockleys. This ride goes to Port Adelaide and Semaphore, then down the coast and back along the linear park, returning to Mellor Park. Two breaks, one a picnic style lunch or opportunity to buy lunch as well as a coffee somewhere along the way. It’s around 36 kms to be taken at an easy pace. Suited for people with some cycling experience. Details to follow but for now save the date. More info, David Bailey 0408 207 675

*This project is sponsored by the Motor Accident Commission and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure’s Community Grants funding.*

*Shining Light has also received generous support from Standish Cycles Mile End who can service existing bikes and advise on new bikes or cycling equipment.*

### Engage Youth News

Join us on Friday from 6pm for dinner (\$5), followed by games, worship, small groups and more!



# SOUTH SUDAN MIDWIFERY TRAINING

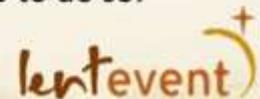
## What's the situation?

South Sudan is the world's newest nation, full of promise for the future. But as a legacy of a long running war with the north, it struggles with a lack of resources, including roads, schools and hospitals. Both maternal and infant mortality is among the highest in the world, with 10,000 mothers dying each year. Over the last two years, conflict within the country has displaced thousands of people and destroyed homes, schools and businesses.

The Presbyterian of South Sudan is actively involved in the peace process but as yet, stability has not yet returned to this young country.

## How are we helping?

In response to the need for more midwives to care for a new generation of babies and mothers, the Presbyterian Relief and Development Agency developed a midwifery training school in Leer. Recruiting from all over the country, 22 young midwives supported by UnitingWorld began training in 2012. The School was destroyed by conflict late last year and the midwives re-located to Lockikoggio in Kenya, where they're completing their training and practising midwifery in the refugee hospitals of the Kakuma Refugee Camp. They will return to South Sudan as soon as it's safe to do so.



## Easter Service times

Maundy Thursday 7pm

Good Friday 9:30am

& 7:30pm

Easter Sunday  
services as usual

NB no shared lunch



## CC.W.C.I Woman's Convention weekend

March 18 & 19; Westminster College Adelaide (for the first time instead of Victor Harbour)

Early bird full registration \$150 by February 26th

Or \$160 full by March 4th

Friday only \$25; Saturday only \$50 includes morning tea and light lunch

Registration forms from Betty Rowe 8235 9654 or Mrs Sally Gray  
8258 3132

More details on blue notice board.

### Concert

#### Raising funds for Frontier Services

Adelaide West Men's Choir

Sunday April 3rd

Adelaide West Uniting Church

Doors open 1:30pm

Concert starts 2:00pm

Afternoon tea provided

Tickets from Beryl Venner—9:15 service on Sunday 20th & 27th March  
or pay at the door.

Adults \$15

Children \$5

### The Scrimshaws' are on the move

Unfortunately we are not moving to Victor Harbor, as we had a letter saying that there was a 2-3 year waiting list, but another group that we had our name down with rang us just after New year to offer us a unit at Payneham, so we have accepted it and hope to move early in March 2016.

Our address will be: 4/14 Victoria Street Payneham SA 5070

Norm's mobile

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We will not have a landline when we move.

Please call in and have a cuppa with us sometime,  
we would love to see you.

## What's on this week...

Today	Communion all services
	9:15am Rod Dyson
	10:45am Rod Dyson
	5:00pm Mark Wardrop
Monday 7th	6:30 - 8:00pm girls brigade AWUC hall
	7:30pm Men's choir AWUC chapel
Tuesday 8th	9:30 - 11:30am Craft Group
	7:00pm prayer & fasting AWUC chapel
Wednesday 9th	7:30pm Evening Fellowship
Thursday 10th	9:30 - 11:30am mainly music playgroup AWUC hall
Friday 11th	6:00 - 9:30pm Engage Youth AWUC

### Next Sunday 13th March

9:15am	Rod Dyson
10:45am	Rod Dyson
5:00pm	Lachlan Hillier

### Key dates this term:

20th March	Men's choir concert—Owen
3rd April	Frontier Services fundraising concert AWUC
9th April	8am—1pm AWUC working bee
15 - 18 April	Rev's Camp

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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AWUC personal name tags can be ordered from the office.

Costs are:

standard pin \$6.00;

dual pin and pocket clip \$7.00;

magnet \$9.00.