

Pentecost 23

Joel 2:23-32

Psalm 65

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14



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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.

In some cultures it is bad manners to not look someone in the eye when you are talking to them. Many Anglo Australians would teach their children to do this. In other cultures it is rude to look people in the eye when you are talking to them. In today's gospel reading (Luke 18.9-14) we have a Pharisee who is so confident in his own righteousness that he looks down on everyone. We also have a tax collector who is so overwhelmed by his sinfulness that he cannot lift his eyes from staring at the ground. Perhaps this is not a story of either or but it points out that we can act like both of these characters.

In fact whenever we come to God asking for mercy that is what we will receive. Psalm 3.3 says, "But you, O Lord, are a shield around me, my glory, and the one who lifts up my head." When we come before God unsure of where we stand we find a loving God who lifts our head and even anoints it with oil.

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 our Kids' Space program returns! This term we are working toward Christmas and also our Celebration Service on Sunday 27th November, where we will lead the 10.45am worship service.

On Thursday night the Kids' Space team gathered and we learnt more about what "Godly Play" is and started to think about what and how that could enhance our program here at Adelaide West. It is an ongoing conversation and we are a little excited at what might be in store for us!! Please pray for the leaders and children that together we can explore faith and the journeys that we are on together.

**Blessings Lorraine,
Children and Families Pastor**

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

Engage Youth News

Please join us from 6pm - 9:30pm.

Dinner & dessert (\$5.00 cost).

Anyone in years 7 – 12 is very welcome.



Adelaide West U.C. Friendship Club will meet in the Hall at 1.30 p.m on Wednesday week, 2nd November when the speaker will be Lorraine Schroder who will talk about her visit to Iona. Afternoon tea will follow.

At 12 noon there will be a three-course lunch, provided by The Experience Café at a cost of \$12.00. The meal will be gluten free if requested.

For catering purposes people wanting to attend the lunch are asked to advise John Burton either today or next Sunday at the latest. John's phone No. is 84438746

Wanted

Drivers to help Learner drivers gain their 75 hours of supervised driving practise.

Do you have one or two spare hours a week or fortnight?

All learner drivers have their own car and insurance, and will have done about 20 hours preliminary driving.

You need: a full licence and a police clearance. There may be some cultural requirements i.e. women with women.

Contact: ruthghg@gmail.com M: 0450 684 844

Only a couple of weeks until SYNOD

We really need a "runner" to assist with SYNOD **on Thursday 3rd & Saturday 5th. Friday is now sorted.** This can be one person or a couple of people in shift work. They are needed to help especially with moving chairs and tables around and filling and emptying coffee urns and clearing dishes and rubbish as needed. There are busy times and slow times and the need is from at least 9am until 9pm on Thursday and 9am - end of pack up on Saturday.

Please contact Suzi Cousins in the office.

Set up & pack up requirements.

Many of the finer details of set-up and pack times are not yet available. There is likely to be a need for helpers on Wednesday night to arrange tables after the installation service (approx. 9:00pm). The final pack up time depends on when SYNOD finishes and then when UT can exit the auditorium. There are a variety of jobs to be done on Saturday from 2:30pm - so even if you only have an hour or so, drop in and we can find you something to do to help out.

AWUC nametags

I have a couple of people wanting magnetic nametags so I will be placing an order in the next couple of weeks.

If you want to order one please advise the office asap.

AWUC Bus drivers - URGENTLY NEEDED.

After many years of service, Wes Ashman is hanging up his bus driving hat. This will leave us with a team of only 3 drivers. We have one person about to start training, but we need more. Currently 14 people regularly rely on the bus to get to morning services.

A current UCA police check is required before you can join the team.

Thankyou from Finda.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed items to fill a container of goods to send to Africa. The 40 foot container was completely filled and is now on its way to Sierra Leone. I know that the people there will greatly appreciate the clothing and household goods, since they can not buy such items in Sierra Leone because of the civil war there over many years. Thank you to those who contributed cash to help with the high cost of shipping the container and thanks also to the church for allowing me to place the container in the car park, making it easier to pack.

God Bless you all,
Finda Morsay.

Bereavement:

Our sympathy is extended to Beatrice Manu and family on the recent death of her youngest brother Abubakarr William Bangura in Sierra Leone, aged 46.

Our loving thoughts and prayers are with Beatrice at this difficult time.

Congregation Meeting and shared lunch

Our next congregation meeting is at 1.30 pm on **Sunday the 30th of October**. As the last Sunday of the month there is also a shared lunch at around 12.15 pm. Why not come back after the 9.15 am service for the lunch and stay for the congregation meeting. And 10.45 am members please stay for lunch and the congregation meeting. Just bring some food to share and have fun meeting some new people!

The congregation meeting will include:

- Church Council report
- An update of our vision, mission and values statements
- A finance report
- A proposed budget for 2017
- Property report including an update of the refurbishment at the theological college and how this will affect us.

This is an important meeting for the mission and ministry of Adelaide West.



Come 'n' Try Girls' Brigade

All Girls aged 5-18 years

Monday Nights

Adelaide West Uniting Church

6:30-8:00pm

Come and join in making crafts, cooking, playing games, singing songs, making new friends and learning about Jesus.

In a Safe Environment.

For any further details please contact Joan Bourn 0403793871.



the girls' brigade
girls' lives transformed
god's world enriched



What's on this week...

Today

9:15am Rod Dyson
10:45am Rod Dyson
5:00pm Jack Harington - Daniel wrap up.

Monday 24th

6:30 - 8:30pm Girls' Brigade AWUC hall
7:30pm Men's choir practice AWUC chapel

Tuesday 25th

9:30 - 11:30am Coffee, chat & share Craft Group
AWUC hall

7:00pm prayer & fasting AWUC chapel

Wednesday 26th

Nursing home visitation

Thursday 27th

9:30 - 11:30am mainly music playgroup AWUC hall

Friday 28th

6:00 - 9:30pm Engage Youth AWUC

Next Sunday 30th October

9:15am Rod Dyson

10:45am Rod Dyson

Followed by share lunch

1:30 Congregational meeting

5:00pm Lauren Andris

Planning ahead.....

2nd November

Installation of new Moderator

3rd - 5th Nov

SYNOD meeting AWUC

13th Nov

Henley & Grange Band Concert

20th Nov

AWUC Men's Choir Concert

26th Nov

Back to Bethlehem

21st December

Mellor Park Carols

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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.