

## Pentecost 23

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

Psalms 119:137-144

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4,  
11-12

Luke 19:1-10



# Adelaide West Uniting Church

Acceptance, Hope and Transformation in Jesus

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**30th October, 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.

We will focus on the story of Zacchaeus today. The story can be approached in many different ways and you might like to think about it from a personal perspective. An encounter with Jesus often starts with us looking for him. Zacchaeus was determined to see Jesus and he used a sycamore tree to improve his line of sight. What is the sycamore tree that will help you to see Jesus: reading the scriptures and praying, worshipping, caring for your neighbour, using your money to foster justice and equity in our society?

As it turns out it seems that Jesus was looking out for Zacchaeus too. That's what the incarnation is – Jesus coming to be with us. So whatever you are doing keep your eyes peeled and as you are looking for Jesus in any area of your life you may well find that he is looking back at you. He will want to come to your house and spend time with you. Like Zacchaeus I hope that you welcome him into your lives again and enjoy his company.

**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 our Seahorse room (2-3 year olds) we will be talking about Naaman. In our Mussels (5- 6 year olds) , Dolphins (7-10 year olds) and Orcas (10 ½ - 12 year olds) our title today is "Missing Something" based on James 2:1-8.

We have our Kids' Space Celebration Service on **November 27<sup>th</sup>** where the children will lead us in worship. Please put it in your diaries now! This year, that will not be the end of our Kids' Space year. We will go back and talk about Christmas in our groups on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> and celebrate together weeks 2 and 3 of Advent.

NEWS FLASH on the **18<sup>th</sup> December we are having a party** and we would like everyone to come along. Children will be in church for the start of the 10.45 service as usual. When we "go out" we will be having some activities on the lawn area in front of the college. These games will be run by some of our youth. Following the service, Kids' Space will be providing a sausage sizzle lunch and some ice-cream and everyone is invited. I would love to hear from you if you are able to help us cook!!! See me really soon!!! As this is week 4 of Advent and the theme is LOVE, what better way to show this than to share a light meal together.

**Blessings Lorraine,  
Children and Families Pastor**

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

### Engage Youth News

This Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November we are meeting at the college for dinner and small groups, (normal time 6pm) then heading to BOUNCE at 7:30pm.

**Pick-up is from BOUNCE at 9:30pm**

Normal cost of \$5.00 includes dinner and BOUNCE.



Anyone in years 7 – 12 is very welcome.

**Visit [www.engageyouth.com.au](http://www.engageyouth.com.au)**

**SYNOD is this week** starting with the installation of the new moderator on Wednesday night at 7:00pm. A few helpers to arrange tables from 8:30pm are required please.

There is a list on the blue notice board with blanks to fill for car-park assistance and welcoming. Please fill-in if you can help.

Ruth is also looking for additional helpers on Saturday.

Pack up is a bit tricky to put an exact time to. There will be things to do from about 2:30 and the event is due to finish at 4pm. We can't finish the auditorium until UT are done and that is likely to be about 5pm. Even if you only have a hour to help, please do.

A runner is still required for Thursday.

### **AWUC nametags**

I have a couple of people wanting magnetic nametags so I will be placing an order this week.

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

### **IMPORTANT - CHANGE OF DATE BECAUSE OF SYNOD.**

**Adelaide West U.C. Friendship Club** will meet in the Hall at 1.30p.m on **Wednesday 9th 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



**mainly music**  
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**mainly music** will relocate this Thursday (3<sup>rd</sup> November) at the normal session time of 9.30 am – 11 am. We will meet at the Apex Park Playground, Burbridge Road, West Beach.

Morning tea will be provided. Please join us for the morning **at no charge today.**

Contact Lorraine for further details, 0407 266 966.

## Small Groups Coordinator

Dorothy Crosby has taken on the role of small group coordinator for Adelaide West. Small groups are places that offer connection, care, learning and service and you may be involved in several of them. By small groups I mean any small group that meets: fellowship, bible study, choir, discussion group, mainly music etc. As a first step to Dorothy understanding all the groups in our church I ask that small group convenors put a list of those who attend their group in the letterbox in the church foyer in an envelope marked Dorothy Crosby.

## National Christian Life Survey (NCLS)

Every five years we participate in this survey. The NCLS is based on a questionnaire that takes about 20 minutes to complete. The survey gives a wonderful insight into the life of the congregation, our denomination and indeed all participating denominations. The normal practice is to fill out the survey at the end of a shortened worship service so that most members can participate. The three Sunday services will fill out the surveys at the end of the services on November the 13<sup>th</sup>. The Friday evening service will complete the survey on November 25<sup>th</sup>.

Please bring a pen on those days.

## Congregation Meeting and shared lunch

A reminder that our congregation meeting is **TODAY** 1.30 pm. It is also shared lunch at around 12.15 pm.

### **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.

Join the  
**Adelaide West Men's Choir**  
and Associate Artists



For a joyous afternoon of fun and music  
Afternoon tea included

Sunday November 20th, 2pm  
Adelaide West Uniting Church Auditorium  
Sir Donald Bradman Dr, Brooklyn Park

Adults \$15, Concession \$12, Children free

**Tickets available at the door or from a  
member of the choir**

## What's on this week...

<b>Today</b>	9:15am	Rod Dyson
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	<b>Followed by share lunch</b> <b>1:30 Congregational meeting</b>	
	5:00pm	Lauren Andris
<b>Monday 31st</b>	6:30 - 8:30pm Girls' Brigade AWUC hall	
	7:30pm Men's choir practice AWUC chapel	
<b>Tuesday 1st</b>	9:30 - 11:30am Coffee, chat & share Craft Group AWUC hall	
	7:00pm prayer & fasting AWUC chapel	
<b>Wednesday 2nd</b>	<b>7:00pm Installation of Moderator-elect</b>	
<b>Thursday 3rd</b>	<b>SYNOD meeting all day</b>	
	9:30 - 11:30am mainly music playgroup Apex Park, West Beach	
<b>Friday 4th</b>	<b>SYNOD meeting all day</b>	
	6:00 - 9:30pm Engage Youth AWUC <b>Remember pick-up at BOUNCE 9:30pm</b>	
<b>Saturday 5th</b>	<b>SYNOD meeting until approx. 4:00pm</b>	
	SYNOD pack up - drop in and lend a hand when you can.	
<b>Next Sunday 6th November</b>	<b>- Communion all services</b>	
	9:15am	Trevor Story/Rod Dyson
	10:45am	Trevor Story/Rod Dyson
	5:00pm	Rod Dyson

## Planning ahead.....

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.**