

## Epiphany 2

1Sam 3:1-10

Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18

1Cor 6:12-20

John 1:43-51



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Acceptance, Hope and Transformation in Jesus

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**If you are new or visiting Adelaide West Uniting Church we are pleased you are here.**

**We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Kaurana people. We pay respect to their traditions and their elders and commit to working toward reconciliation in our land.**

This week, the second week of the season of Epiphany, we are focusing on 1 Samuel 3.1-10 and John 1.43-51. The scriptures talk of two different scenarios. In the Old Testament reading it was a difficult time when the word of God was rare and visions were not widespread. Samuel did not recognise God's voice at all. Indeed he did not know God and God's word had not been revealed to him. When Samuel was advised by Eli to reply to God, "Speak Lord for your servant is listening," his whole world changed.

In the New Testament God is coming in a new way, in Jesus Christ. Jesus is new to everyone and everyone who wants to know Jesus needs to spend time with him. People need to 'come and see' the one who God has sent.

In Epiphany we are invited to listen for the voice of God and to 'come and see' (i.e. spend time with) the one whom God has sent. Later in John 15 Jesus uses the phrase 'abide with me'. Let's make 2018 a time where we are attentive to abiding in Jesus.

Rod Dyson | Lead Minister

### Sunday Worship times:

creative traditional	9.15am
family worship	10.45am
youth & young adults	5.00pm



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## Welcome to Worship,

Kids' Space is on School Holidays and will return on February 4th, 2018.

Blessings Lorraine,  
Children and Families Pastor.

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

## Engage Youth | returning in 2018

Engage Youth welcomes all youth in years 7-12 to come, hang out, relax, eat, make new friends, meet awesome leaders and most importantly *Engage* with God!

Engage Youth runs from 6-9:30pm at AWUC and includes dinner and dessert for \$5.

Questions? Please contact Jack: 0433 763 908 or [youth@awuc.org.au](mailto:youth@awuc.org.au)

Jack Harington | Adelaide West Uniting Church

*The Tuesday Prayer group will resume on the 16th January at 7pm.*

## Solidarity with African Youth

The President of the Uniting Church, Stuart McMillan, has publicly expressed solidarity with the Australian African community in the wake of recent negative political and media commentary. The Uniting Church has a strong South Sudanese community and Uniting Church Sudanese leaders from Adelaide and Brisbane have also spoken out in protest. Please pray for the African Australian community. The President's full comments are on the blue notice board.

## Church Anniversary

We will be 15 years old in February this year and will include that in services on Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> of February. Our custom is to celebrate every five years so this year is a celebration year. There are already some plans for a photo exhibition but maybe you have other ideas of how we can celebrate. Talk to Rod Dyson if you would like to be involved.

## Tickets for 'Child of the Killing Fields'

Mark-John Winter is a filmmaker and friend of Fergs. His latest work is a documentary called 'Child of the Killing Fields' which has been getting excellent reviews. It's the story of a child who miraculously survived the horrors of Pol Pot's brutal regime and grew up to become an inspirational leader in his community. We are hosting a fundraising screening of the movie at Adelaide West Uniting Church on Saturday, 10 February 2018. These tickets go on sale from this Sunday. They are available from Ferg A Ferguson, Ruth Harbinson-Gresham, Louise Fielke or from the church office. \$20 adults, \$10 for students. Don't miss this amazing documentary. There will be live music by Fergus Maximus at 7.00pm and then the movie will start at 7.30pm.

**Wanted – TV** Josephine Nyande of our 10.45 am congregation is looking for a TV in good working order to send to Sierra Leone. The older-type TVs still work in Sierra Leone so if you know of one that could be donated, please see Josephine or Mathew, Meredith or Esmond Dowdy, or let the office know.

**Wanted – King or Queen sized bed.** Doris Koroma of our 10.45 am congregation is looking for a king or queen-sized bed and mattress in good condition. If you have or know of one available for donation, please see Doris, Meredith or Esmond Dowdy, or let the office know.

***Pray for our team being a part of and leading the  
Big Week Out  
all next week***



**Progressive Christianity Services** in 2018 will commence on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> January at 7.00pm in the chapel. Our Guest Presenter will be Rev Dr Greg Elsdon, recently appointed Minister at Pilgrim Uniting Church. His topic will be **“Conducting 'respectful conversations' in controversial environments: *the challenges and opportunities.*”**

For further information on Progressive Christianity, you are invited to contact John Maddern or Esmond Dowdy, or visit <https://progressivechristianity.org/the-8-points/>

## What's on this week...

<b>Today</b>	9:15am	Rod Dyson
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	5:00pm	Jack Harington
<b>Tuesday 16th</b>	7:00pm	Prayer & fasting AWUC auditorium
<b>Wednesday 17th</b>	7:00pm	Progressive Christianity Service AWUC Chapel.
<b>21st January</b>	9:15am	Simon Story
	10:45am	Simon Story
	5:00pm	Lauren Andris

*Rod is on leave from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> of January. Please contact John Maddern or Esmond Dowdy if pastoral support is needed.*

*An audio copy of every sermon is available on our web site if you want to hear it again or you miss attending any week. You can also catch up with newsletters or join a mailing list to receive them every week.*

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