

Pentecost 6

Genesis 25:19-34

Psalms 119:105-112

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23



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

What does a flourishing life look like? Who do we look at and think "That person has it all together!"? We are all created to flourish. In the Christian life, flourishing is concerned with the relationships we share with others and with God. Humility is such an important part of what makes a relationship flourish. We can see this in the way in which God's life is lived out. A classic example is found in our text for today whereby Jesus says "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you." (Jn. 17:1) God's life is the image in which we are created. Therefore, how things play out between the Father and the Son, through the Holy Spirit, gives us the lead by which we follow as disciples. My prayer for each of us today is that we might discover something new about God's life and that the relationships we share might flourish in new and exciting ways.

Rev Nigel Rogers

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 Holidays, returning on Sunday 30th July, but don't worry, we will still have exciting activities for the children during the break and today we are decorating biscuits (and probably eating them too!). If we have any left we will share them at the end of church.

You won't want to miss out.

On **Sunday 23rd July** we will be making paper planes then flying them — hopefully! For anyone who chooses to make something else there will be lots of fun things to “create” with...sorry, kids only!!!

**Blessings Lorraine,
Children and Families Pastor.**

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Engage Youth is taking a break over the school holidays but we'll be back at it with the new school term, starting on the **28th July**.

We welcome your prayers over God's youth ministry here at Adelaide West. Any questions? Please contact Jack: 0433 763 908 or youth@awuc.org.au



Progressive Christianity Service Wednesday, 19th July at 7.00 pm in the Chapel.

Have you ever wondered about the parables, which make up approximately one third of Jesus' recorded teachings? Are they simple and memorable stories or are they much, much more? Come along and hear Rev Dr Bruce Grindlay, retired UC Minister, discuss the subversive nature of the

parables of Jesus. For further information on Progressive Christianity contact John Maddern or Esmond Dowdy, or visit

<https://progressivechristianity.org/the-8-points/>

Please note there is **no prayer and fasting gathering** at AWUC this Tuesday 18th July, but they will be back the following week..

First Peoples Discussion Group Our first gathering is this Thursday 20th July, then the 10th & 17th August 7.30 - 9.30 pm

Ruth Harbinson Gresham and David Bailey

Community Fair needs...we need to produce our flyers and posters for our annual community fair—this year being held again in Spring on the **21st October**. We are looking for someone with creative talent to design them. If you feel you have this talent, please contact Suzi Cousins in the office (office@awuc.org.au), as soon as possible as ideally we would print these in early August.

Bryan Crosby has kindly offered to co-ordinate the café area for this year and he will need a team of helpers to cover quite a list of jobs. Anyone who feels they could assist Bryan in any way, please let him know asap. Some of the areas you may like to consider are:

Space set-up - creative ideas in the lead up and actual setting up on the Friday.

Cooking/baking/preparing - maybe some new menu items. We would like to include at least one breakfast item this year as we plan to have the café open from the start—not 10 as previously.

Serving

Clearing away and washing dishes during the event.

I know some people have already offered help and that is really appreciated.

Recently, the worship leaders of Adelaide West, and any person interested in worship, were invited to an evening of teaching and discussion, lead by Rev. Linda Driver and Ann Phillips. This was a wonderful evening where we looked at worship more broadly, as an ongoing response to God's gift of grace in our day to day lives, as well as more specifically at the formation of a worship service. We had leaders from each of our worshipping communities, and together we explored what we do in preparing a service, why we do what we do, and some important aspects to consider in this preparation process. For some, it was a timely reminder of important aspects that had been somewhat lost in the trap of "this is how we always do it", and for others, there were new aspects to preparing a service which had not previously been considered. As a result of this evening, many of the worship leaders came away with a fresh understanding and enthusiasm for preparing their next service, which I believe we will see the fruits of in coming weeks and months. This evening was a wonderful celebration of all worship styles, under the unifying banner that it is one true God we serve, with many different expressions of authentic worship as our response.

Simon Story

What's on this week...

Today	9:15am	Nigel Rogers
	10:45am	Nigel Rogers
	5:00pm	Tim Stevens

Many of our regular weekly programs are having a break during school holidays.

Monday 17th 10:00—3:30 Stitches AWUC hall. BYO stitching and lunch. Everyone is welcome.

Wednesday 19th 7:30pm Men's Choir practice AWUC Chapel
7:00pm Progressive Christianity AWUC Chapel

23rd July	9:15am	Sean Gilbert
	10:45am	Sean Gilbert
	5:00pm	Jack Harington

Rod Dyson is on long service leave until 7th August.

Make sure you have this in your diary...

AWUC Community Fair is Saturday 21st October.

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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.