

Pentecost 21

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Matthew 22:34-46



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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 Kurna people. We pay respect to their traditions and their elders and commit to working toward reconciliation in our land.

500 years ago, Luther put a theological bomb under what by then had become an oppressive, institutional church. When the dust eventually settled, there emerged a reformed community; that staked its spirited liberty and joy on one thing alone – the Grace of God. Favour to the unfavourable!

500 years later, remnants of that renovation are seeking another saintly Guy Fawkes with appropriate pyrotechnics, to do an encore. The mounting morbidity and rigidity of the revised church, reveals that grace is not enough. Frankly, that should have been obvious. Why else would Jesus have kept underscoring the Great Commandment to love, if it was just *sole gratia*! So, while Grace saves the individual, it doesn't save the body of Christ.

You may like to reflect on the possibility that the coming reformation in the 21C, will be one that pays prodigious attention to reciprocating this grace of God; **and pay it forward**. When faith will have us loving sacrificially, reverencing all creation, and being willing to lay down one's life in the process. This will touch every aspect of our life. For faith in Christ will turn out to be as the great commandment keeps stressing...**love actually!**

Phil Carr

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 Kids' Space our Seahorses will be looking at "Telling others about Jesus". Our Mussels, Dolphins and Orcas are learning about Phillip from Acts 6: 1-7, 8:26-40.

In our groups we are also exploring what our celebration Service on Sunday December 10th might look like. You may want to talk to your

children about what a "Worship Service" could look like! Watch this space for more news.

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

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

Congregation Meeting

Our next congregation meeting is on Sunday 12th of November at 1.30pm. The agenda will include:

- A report on the refurbishment process at the college next door
- Sharing of key information from the National Christian Life Survey
- Report from Council
- A Financial report and presentation of the draft 2018 budget

Please attend and be part of our decision making.

Engage Youth | 3rd November.

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!

This week we have a Pirate theme - please dress up.

We will continue our series #Blessed!

Looking at Matthew 5 verse 5

Happy are those who are humble; they will receive what God has promised!

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

Any questions? Please contact Jack: 0433 763 908 or youth@awuc.org.au

Jack Harington | Adelaide West Uniting Church

PASTORAL NOTE: Marj. Burt and Marj. Maidment both pass on their best wishes to all those at AWUC who still remember them.

John Maddern

A huge thankyou to everyone who helped out with the fair last week in planning & preparation, set-up, pack up and on the day or just turning up and enjoying the day.

Bits of money have continued to dribble in during the week with the final result being an income of just under **\$11,000**.

Thank you to the wonderful helpers on the plant stall at the spring fair. To Helen, Irene, Heather, Lynette & Brenton, well done!

Also, congrats to the new crew in the café and entertainment area. A job well done to you also.

Beryl Venner | Garden stall convener.

I would also like to especially thank Beryl & Helen for their years of service to the Fair. They have propagated, potted and cared for plants every year that we have had a fair and also for the Mother's Day stall. They have decided it is time to stop and smell the roses and are handing in the convener role.

They would love to hear from anyone who feels they would like to take on this role for 2018 and are happy to guide and mentor them.

Suzi Cousins.

The proposed date for 2018 is Saturday 20th October.

Adelaide West U.C. Friendship Club will meet in the hall next Wednesday, 1st November, at 1.30 p.m. when they will be entertained with a Concert given by the Encounter Ensemble Group and afternoon tea will follow.

There is an invitation to all to attend.

Enquiries to Joan Kelley 81795639

AWUC will once again be hosting the **SYNOD meeting** here from **Thursday 23rd - Saturday 25th November**. This meeting runs all day Thursday and Friday from 9am - 9pm and Saturday 9am—approx. 4pm. There will be set up on Wednesday afternoon and pack up on Saturday afternoon. Pam Young will also be looking for baking. More details to follow, but please start to think about what you are able to do to assist with this important support of the wider Uniting Church in SA.

What's on this week...

Today	9:15am	Phil Carr
	10:45am	Phil Carr
	Share lunch after 10:45 Service	
	5:00pm	Ross Bouchier
Rod is at an intensive all this week.		
Monday 30th	6:30pm	Girls Brigade AWUC hall
	7:30pm	Men's choir - AWUC Chapel
Tuesday 31st	9:30 - 11:30am	Coffee, chat & share Craft Group AWUC hall
	7:00pm	Prayer & fasting - AWUC auditorium
Wednesday 1st	1:30pm	Friendship group AWUC hall
	3:30pm	9:15 worship leaders meeting AWUC Chapel
	7:00pm	Space for Grace 2nd meeting AWUC chapel
	9:30 - 11:00am	mainly music playgroup AWUC hall
Thursday 2nd	7:30pm	Church Council meeting AWUC meeting room
	6:00pm	Engage Youth AWUC
Friday 3rd	6:00pm	Engage Youth AWUC
	5th November	
	9:15am	Rod Dyson
	10:45am	Rod Dyson
	5:00pm	Jack Harington

A few key diary dates:

12th November	Congregational meeting
23rd - 25th November	SYNOD meeting @ AWUC

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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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.