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Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing Sunday 11th April 2021

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Readings April 11th Acts 4: 32-35 Psalm 133 1 John 1: 1-22 John 20: 19-31

April 18th Acts 3: 12-19 Psalm 4 1 John 3: 1-7 Luke 24: 36b - 48

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TODAY, 11 April at 10.45 am immediately following the Church Service. Please collect the Agenda, Annual Report, Financial Statements (2020) and the Annual Budget (2021) from the foyer. Brenton Schulze, Chair, Congregation. Belinda Smith, Secretary, Congregation

The Easter Season

Easter for Christians is not just an Easter holiday weekend. It is a 50-day period called Eastertide and begins from Easter Sunday and ends at Pentecost, the day we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. Nor is the Easter season an extended celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. In the early church, Lent was a season for new converts to learn about the faith and prepare for baptism on Easter Sunday. The initial purpose of the 50-day Easter season in the ordering of the Christian Church, was to continue the faith formation of these new Christians. In these days, we continue to use this season to rejoice and experience what it means to say, 'Christ is risen!' In this season we remember our baptisms and how, through this sacrament, we are 'incorporated by Christ into his body', and now participate in Christ's life and mission today. (Basis of Union, Paragraph 7) As "Easter people" we celebrate and ponder the birth of the Church and the gifts of the Holy Spirit released in power at Pentecost, and how we live as faithful disciples of Christ. In this Easter Season, our congregation will be invited to consider what it means to belong to the Uniting Church and the particular call on this community of believers in Australia, in covenant with the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress. Sue Ellis

We welcome Rev Dr Tony Nancarrow to the pulpit this week, while Rev Sue Ellis is attending a family reunion at Melrose. Next week, Sue will be the preacher at Newland UC's 175th Anniversary at Victor Harbor and Rev Robyn Caldicott will be our preacher. We give thanks to God for the richness that retired ministers bring to our congregation, as we await the arrival of Rev Richard Telfer in July.

Sunday 11th April - This Week's Scriptures

The common thread throughout the scripture readings this week is the power of shared experience, shared faith, shared sightings of Jesus, shared property, shared spiritual support. We are part of a western culture where we talk a lot about self-sufficiency and making sure we have enough for ourselves. The invitation to be part of a sharing community is a countercultural viewpoint. Australian First People have a culture that is about sharing - if someone has a need, people share what they have. The Bible tells us that the early Christians in Jerusalem shared everything. What would it be like to share everything in your household? We airway share many things: we share all the earth with other people. We share the air, lakes, mountains, oceans, so we can all enjoy these things. We also share the Good News that Jesus is alive, so people may know hope, comfort, courage and love in times of need and in times of rejoicing! Is there something you are being asked to share in response to the Gospel and your Lenten discipline this year?

Easter Bible Study - "A Voice in the Wilderness:

Listening to the Statement from the Heart" by Celia Kemp, who is the Reconciliation Coordinator, Anglican Board of Mission. Originally offered across congregations as an ecumenical Lenten study this year, Rev Sue Ellis will lead this 6-part study from Monday 19th April until Monday 24th May. The study will be in the evenings from 7:15 pm - 9.00pm at the Rosefield Church. The study may be downloaded for free from the Anglican Board of Mission, <u>abmission.org</u>. Click on Resources and scroll down to find A Voice in the Wilderness. The artwork is beautiful and worth keeping. 3 printed soft cover copies are available from the South Australian Council of Churches at a cost of \$11.50. <u>Please</u> register to attend the Bible study in the foyer.



Heart of Highgate Art Project

Please share our art project with any visitors today and invite them to add a fabric ribbon and join the many others. The heart is filling with signs of the people we know and love and others we can get to know. It has been a blessing to see the project unfold. The artwork will remain in place until Pentecost.

Richard Telfer our new Minister.

Richard's first worship service will be on 4th July 2021.

He will be Ordained as a Minister of the Word at a service at the Palmerston Uniting Church in Darwin on 15 April 2021. Please pray for him as he prepares for Ordination and moving to SA. We look forward to welcoming Richard into the Rosefield Community.



COVID-19 Please remember that compliance to COVID-19 regulations for our Church, relate to the specific requirements for "Places of Worship" determined by the Federal and SA Governments and also by the South Australian Uniting Church Synod. These requirements are different to those applying to commercial properties, sporting venues and restaurants and cafes in many instances. We ALL need to do the best we can to obey the rules, and ensure we have a Safe and Compliant Church.

PASTORAL CARE

ROSEFIELD PRAYER MEETING - 8:00am Wednesday mornings (online)

A half-hour time of prayer for our church and community. Come online at 8:00 am on Wednesday mornings if you would like to be part of praying for our church, or if you would like prayer (for yourself or someone else) or would like to pray for something on your heart. Everyone is welcome. Scott Hutchinson and Rob Rodenburg. Go to: <u>https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9607672787?pwd=ZVJZeWVPRUlvR2xuZENQVjJlcWk0dz09</u>

Get your best smile out! we have asked our "official" photographer (Richard Clarkson) over the next couple of months to take photos of the Rosefield Congregation for the exclusive use of collating a book so that our new minister has half a chance to get to know our names! This will be done according to the privacy guidelines of the Uniting Church.

Mary Magdelene dinner for Adelaide people do-life-tough sponsored by Rosefield UC

Thank you for **ALL** food suppliers, money donors, and helpers on-the-night for supporting the dinner around 80 – 90 satisfied-appreciative guests enjoyed a 3-course meal, and many took takeaways. The meals were served in the adjoining laneway, a COVID-19 requirement John Carrangis

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Uluru Statement from the Heart. You are invited to attend a public meeting on Sunday 11th April 2021, 2pm – 4.30pm at the Living Choice Auditorium, 123 Fisher Street, Fullarton. The aim of the meeting is to launch an ongoing Uluru Statement Support Group in the Unley Council Area. See flyers on information table and on the notice board in the foyer of the church.

Going on a road trip to regional SA, VIC or NSW?

If you have any space in your car coming back, Aussie Bread Tags for Wheelchairs have bread tags everywhere that need to get back to Adelaide.

Contact Jenny Cooper if you're happy to help: 0418 807 072 jcooper@adam.com.au.

Prayer support for Kairos Torch: A Torch program will be held at the Kurlana Tapa Youth Justice Centre from Monday 19 April to Wednesday 21 April. Scott Hutchinson is the Leader of this program, and Jean Hutchinson, Phil Hearnden and Brian Sampson from Rosefield are members of the team. Your support by praying for the program would be greatly appreciated.

Please register your name on the on-line prayer vigil sign-up sheet for one or more of the half-hour prayer vigil time slots. The roster can be reached via the following link: <u>https://signup.com/go/QHOrwJh</u>. Surnames are not necessary, just Christian names and the initial of your surname and where you're from (eg, John C,

Adelaide). Note that to see a whole day, you need to click on "show more spots".

Grateful thanks to the Women's Breakfast group which has donated \$250 towards Bibles that the Chaplain gives to young men and women in the Kurlana Tapa Youth Justice Centre (new name for Adelaide Youth Training Centre). Jess, the Chaplain was overwhelmed with gratitude to receive the box of "The Message" Bibles and asked for her thanks to be passed on. Jess is a blessing to all those she interacts with at the Centre and to the Kairos Torch program

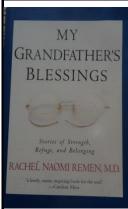
The Uniting Church in Australia, South Australia Historical Society invites you to hear Dr Meredith Lake speak on 'Under the Skin? Contesting the Bible in Australian History' on Sunday 16 May 2021 at St John's Anglican Church, Halivax Street, Adelaide. Please see the flyer on the Church notice board for more information.

Center for Music, Liturgy and the Arts present "Autumn, an art and reflection workshop in mixed media" at Brougham Place Uniting Church, North Adelaide Saturday 17th April, 10am – 4pm. Tickets \$120 (includes all materials) BYO food and drinks. In order to maintian social distancing there are limited tickets for bookings visit our website (cmla.org.au) or Trybooking. Alternatively, to reserve a place email admin@cmla.org.au. See notice church noticeboard to see flyer.

Mostly Music @ Malvern is pleased to present "The Beggars" (Normie Rowe said "The Best Australian Vocal Band since the Seekers"). Sunday 11th April at 2pm. Admission Adults \$25, Seniors/concession \$20, Children (under 12) \$5 only available at the door including afternoon tea in the adjoining hall at the conclusion fo the concert. See notice church noticeboard to see flyer.

ROSEFIELD CHURCH LIBRARY

New books in the Rosefield Church Library: You can browse the contents of the Rosefield Church Library at <u>https://rosefielduc.libib.com/</u> The library can also be accessed from the link on the Rosefield UC website (look for the library under 'Resources'). Borrowing a book is easy—just add your name to the Borrowers book by the collection in the Church Foyer. Small group & Bible Study Resources are also available for borrowing by individuals or groups. Ask Lorraine for assistance during Office hours. For assistance or to place a hold on a book, please contact Wendy Davis Please see over the page some new books to the library



My Grandfather's Blessings – Stories of Strength, Refuge and Belonging/ Rachel Remen

In My Grandfather's Blessings, Rachel Naomi Remen, a cancer physician and master storyteller, uses her luminous stories to remind us of the power of our kindness and the joy of being alive." "Dr. Remen's grandfather, an Orthodox rabbi and scholar of the Kabbalah, saw life as a web of connection and knew that everyone belonged to him, and that he belonged to everyone. He taught her that blessing one another is what fills our emptiness, heals our loneliness, and connects us more deeply to life." "Life has given us many more blessings than we have allowed ourselves to receive. My Grandfather's Blessings is about how we can recognize and receive our blessings and bless the life in others. Serving others heals us. Through our service we will discover our own wholeness -- and the way to restore hidden wholeness in the world

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A Lot with a Little/Tim Costello

In this evocative memoir, Tim Costello explores the people and experiences that have shaped him into a socially active fighter for the world's most challenging issues. Tracing each defining stage of his life with stark insight and honesty, Tim untangles his ongoing struggle to align his self-perceptions with his choices and what his life represents. More than a simple life story, this is a book about individual and community, public and private, spiritual and material, equality and liberty - and, most of all, about faith and its power to sustain in the face of the world's big issues. Challenging and thought provoking no matter what your beliefs, this is a book to savour and re-read



Art of Discernment: Making Good Decisions in Your World of Choices (Ignatian Impulse)/ Stefan Kiechle

An explanation of the discernment process first developed by St. Ignatius of Loyola.