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Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing
Sunday 15th August 2021

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to sign in!



Readings

15th August

1 Kings 2: 10-12; 3:3-14
Psalm 111.
Ephesians 5: 15- 20
John 6: 51- 58

22nd August

1 Kings 8: 22-30,41-43
Psalm 84
Ephesians 6: 10-20
John 6: 56-69

G'day folks,

What lovely weather we've been having (sort of). I'm writing this on Wednesday, which is becoming the day for a walk in Belair National Park. That couldn't happen this morning because I had something on, and it was pouring with rain. The sun has come out, and it's a beautiful Adelaide afternoon.

As some of you know, I have the enviable task of looking after someone else's chickens. I have started getting into the practice of driving all the way out to Pasadena of an afternoon and collecting half a dozen eggs. Today is such a lovely afternoon, I have decided to light a small fire in the outdoor fire pit and write a few thoughts down. It's a practice I began in earnest in Darwin, but I can trace it back to New Norcia.

New Norcia is a funny little town in the Wheatbelt of WA. It's ostensibly a Spanish monastery town in the middle of a 'classic Australian' scene. It's a Benediction community that welcomes all sorts - even heathen Uniting Church folk like us! They have a lovely old hotel with several chesterfields and open fireplaces. I would go there on writing retreats with some colleagues. We rarely had an agenda or topic. After a few days of long walks in the country (and nights with the Abbot's Ale), I would find myself sitting in front of the fireplace writing. From time to time, my eyes would be drawn to the flames dancing away, and in the process, thoughts would distil in my mind. Without much effort, I found myself writing freely.

It's a practice I find to be nourishing and sustaining, even without the beautiful chesterfields and Abbot's Ale! Our community has had a hard few weeks. Loved ones have passed away, close friends and family are unwell. At times like this, it's essential to take the space to be fed and nourished by our God, made known in the Living Bread.

Blessings on you as we hold each other close,
Richard.

MEETING of CONGREGATION

Please be advised that there will be a Meeting of the Congregation immediately following the service on Sunday 22 August 2021.

The main item for discussion is the purchase of a suitable property for the Minister to reside in.

The full Agenda will be available closer to the meeting.

Dianne Peberdy
Chair, Church Council

Brenton Schulze
Chair, Congregation

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: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9607672787?pwd=ZVJZeWVPRUlvR2xuZENQVjJlcWk0dz09>

Maureen Jennings.

Phil, Andrew (Garry), Kimberly and little Joshua Jennings and Rachel and Steve Bills would like to thank all Rosefield folk for their generous prayers and support in many ways during Maureen's long debilitating cancer battle and following her passing early on Friday 6th August at Mary Potter Hospice.

Her funeral service will be next Wednesday 18th August in the afternoon; however unfortunately due to Covid19 restrictions, only her family members from both Tasmania and SA and a few others can be accommodated. The service will be livestreamed and the link to this will be circulated by email when it becomes available. There will be a time for remembrance for Maureen during the 9.30am service on Sunday 22nd August. In the future when COVID restrictions hopefully allow, there will be a larger memorial service held.

COMMUNITY NEWS



WOW (Women on Wednesday)

A letter from Northern Adelaide Local Health Network

Over the last two months, Dr Lawrie Palmer has brought more of your beautiful donated quilts to the Northern Adelaide Palliative Care Unit, Modbury Hospital.

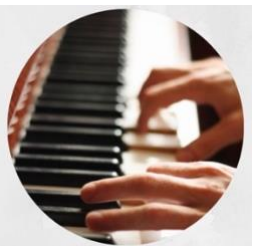
This photo is of our latest delivery.

Thank you for your wonderful generosity. Our patients and their families are so grateful, and often quite emotional, when gifted a quilt. It is such a beautiful gesture. From Kerri Grant,

advanced Nurse Unit Manager, Northern Adelaide Palliative Service.

WIDER COMMUNITY

The Grove Op Shop thanks all those who have donated goods. Due to the government grant for Food Bank finishing after 6 months, the Op Shop has decided to use the money from bike sales to fund this project. Over the last 4 weeks this has been more than \$700. (Today 1 lady bought 5 kid's bikes!) All goods are much appreciated. Thanks Helen & Dave Filby



CMLA Music and Worship Day – Postponed

Music is important in worship, it can enliven and deepen worship, and it can do the opposite. What we sing shapes our theology and our knowledge of God.

Owing to Covid restrictions this event has been postponed until October 23rd, 2021. Further Information will be circulated nearer the time.

Marj Stewart