

Lent 2

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Psalms 22:23-31

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38



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If you are new or visiting Adelaide West Uniting Church we are pleased you are here. A Welcome to Adelaide West information sheet is available in the foyer or from the stewards.

Rod's Space

Compassionate God, Compassionate People

This week we will focus on compassion as seen in Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

Questions for discussion:

Reflect on Mark 8.31-38. What surprises you about this passage?

In what ways do 'the things of God' challenge how you live?

How is cross-carrying related to compassion?

How does being compassionate lead to life?

Luke 4.16-22 is presented as Jesus' mandate for ministry. How is it connected with compassion?

In what ways does this Luke reading describe your life?

In what ways could you act more in sync with this passage of scripture?

What compassionate act can you do this week to demonstrate the way that God loves you?

Rod Dyson

Sunday Worship times:

creative traditional 9.15am

family worship 10.45am

youth & young adults 5.00pm



Uniting Church. **Uniting People.**

Engage Youth News

This Friday Dr Dave Overholt will be speaking at Engage Youth.

6pm for dinner (\$5). Bring a friend....first time dinner is free!



On Saturday Dr Dave Overholt is the key speaker at a 1 day conference being jointly run by the Baptist and Uniting Churches in SA.

I highly recommend every parent, leader and person interested in building faith in the upcoming generation to consider this event.

BUILDING LASTING FAITH IN CHILDREN & TEENAGERS

Saturday 7 March, 2015 / 9.30am – 3.30pm / \$40

Clovercrest Baptist Church, 2 Famechon Crescent, Modbury North Australia's young people are leaving the church... and not returning. Why are young people leaving? What can we do about it?

'Building Lasting Faith' is for parents, pastors, key leaders and volunteers. Dr Dave Overholt, Senior Pastor and founder of Church on the Rock, one of the largest and longest running youth-targeted churches in North America will unpack these two questions, and equip us with the tools to make changes for a positive future.

Parents, if you can't make the whole day consider just coming out for the free Afternoon Parents Interactive Session (Free for parents) 2pm-3.30pm

More info check our facebook feed, facebook.com/engageyouth

John Harris

Youth & Young Adults Pastor

Secret Women's Business is meeting this Tuesday night from 7pm in the hall. Bring along any craft you would like to work on, or just come for a chat.

We would like to come up with some ideas for projects to sell at our **Spring Fair in October** and our **Mother's Day mini-market in May**, that we can either work on as a group or individually.

If this interests you, come along.

Contact Suzi Cousins in the office for more information.



At Adelaide West we believe every child is precious and is part of our church family. Children are included in worship and also have their own special time in groups tailored to their ages. We start each Sunday with morning tea in the hall from 10.15am with the whole church family, then move into the 10.45am service. At approximately 11am we

gather in the hall for our opening session then separate into our groups and finish at 12 noon.

Our Groups are Squirts (0-2 years), Seahorses (3-4 years), Mussels (5-6 years), Dolphins (7-9 years) and (Orcas 10-11 years).

We would love for you to join us!

Blessings Lorraine

Children and Families Pastor

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



We are 27 days away from KCO this year! If you are 7 – 12 years old and would like to come along, or would like to know more about KCO come and see me!! The theme this year is A-OK! (Acts of Kindness) and the dates are 21st and 22nd March. This year we are doing things a little differently and would encourage cash donations that can be used for Food and Transportation. We are hoping that this will make the shopping and transport more streamlined. If you are willing to donate to our group attending KCO, please either hand it to me or put it in the offering marked KCO 2015.

Lorraine

Children and Families Pastor

Church Council elections

At the May congregation meeting (May 17) we will be electing 5 members of church council. Please support this process in prayer. Nomination forms will be available next Sunday. We are seeking people who have the capacity to facilitate the mission and ministry of the whole church.

Don't forget to keep reporting your bike, walking, car-pool or public transport km to Suzi by emailing shininglight@awuc.org.au.

After a break from reporting over the new year I have now updated the map and we are not far from the cross-over.

Walking and bike riding are well up the Western Australian coast and are having a break at the Sandfire Roadhouse.

Public Transport and Car pooling have crossed the border into the Northern Territory and have just passed Borraloola.

No room for photos, but both places are incredible and well worth googling!

Some fun bike events are planned for AWUC and our wider community! The first one is all about getting out and enjoying the beautiful bike path along Linear Park:

Enjoy Linear Park – Sat 14th March

Anyone can be part of it. Meet 9am Tedder Reserve Shelter on Torrens Linear Park about 100m east of Rowells Road Dog Park carpark.

The [Adelaide West U.C. Friendship Club](#) will meet again at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesday 4th March in the Chapel.

Rev. Rod Dyson will be the speaker, and will conduct Holy Communion.

A discussion will take place re future arrangements of the Club.

All previous Members are invited to attend and any new Members are very welcome.

The Meeting will be followed by Afternoon Tea.

Enquiries to Office, Graham Galpin 82975154, or Joan Kelley 81795639

[Adelaide West Annual Review](#)

We thank Leon Broster for his extraordinary contribution to the AWUC review over many years. This year we have decided to report in a different way. We will produce a smaller report for the congregation with more of a future focus. This means that each group in the church does not need to write a report on 2014. We will also produce a report that will be aimed at those outside of the church and this will focus on what our church is like and the ways that people can engage in church life.

Garden Coordinator

Expressions of interest are invited from people who may be prepared to be garden coordinator. The role is principally as a point of contact for garden related items and for communication with the many wonderful people who give God's garden a hand.

Please contact David Bailey 0408 207 675

Lent Event Project 1 TRAINING MIDWIVES, SOUTH SUDAN



For the last three years UnitingWorld has worked with local partner the Presbyterian Relief and Development Agency to train midwives at the Leer Midwifery School. After conflict broke out in the area in late 2013, the school was relocated to the Kenya border where students are continuing their training in safety. Lent Event is supporting this vital project at a time when it's needed most. Improving maternal and child health typically means mothers have fewer pregnancies, healthier babies and more opportunities for women to contribute to community life. As South Sudan continues on its rocky path of development, each young woman trained by PRDA will be able to deliver quality care to mothers and teach new parents to care for their children.

Mother's Day mini market Sunday 3rd May

The Spring Fair planning team have decided to hold a Mother's Day mini market in the hall on Sunday morning 3rd May - the week prior to Mother's Day.

The idea is to have a garden, craft and produce stall during morning tea and the money raised will go towards AWUC projects (as does all the Spring Fair money raised). Please contact Beryl Venner for plant donations or offers of help, Judy Johnston for craft and we are looking for someone to coordinate the produce table - please contact Suzi Cousins in the office.

World Day of Prayer Service, Friday 6 March 2015

The Bahamas is the focus of prayer this year under the banner of "*Do You Know What I Have Done to You?*"

Come to learn about life for these people in a service prepared by their women.

The Service will be held at Adelaide West Uniting Church at 10.00a.m.

What's on this week...

Today

Communion all services

9:15am Rod Dyson

10:45am Rod Dyson

5:00pm John Harris

Monday 2nd

6:30 - 8:30pm Girl's Brigade AWUC hall

7:30pm Men's choir AWUC chapel

Tuesday 3rd

9.30 - 11.30am Coffee chat & share craft group
AWUC hall, all welcome.

7 - 8pm Prayer & fasting AWUC chapel all welcome.

7:00pm Secret Women's Business AWUC hall

Wednesday 4th

1:30pm Friendship club. AWUC chapel

7:30pm Healing Service AWUC chapel

Thursday 5th

9:00 - 11:30am mainly music AWUC hall

7:30pm AWUC church council meeting
AWUC chapel

Friday 6th

10:00am World Day of prayer service AWUC

6:00 - 9:30pm Engage Youth AWUC

Next Sunday 8th March

9:15 Rod Dyson

10:45 Rod Dyson

5pm John Harris

March 21st & 22nd KCO

March 27th & 28th SYNOD at AWUC

April 17 - 20 Revs Camp

May 3 Mother's Day Mini-market

May 17 AGM

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Costs are:

standard pin \$6.00;

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\$7.00;

magnet \$9.00.