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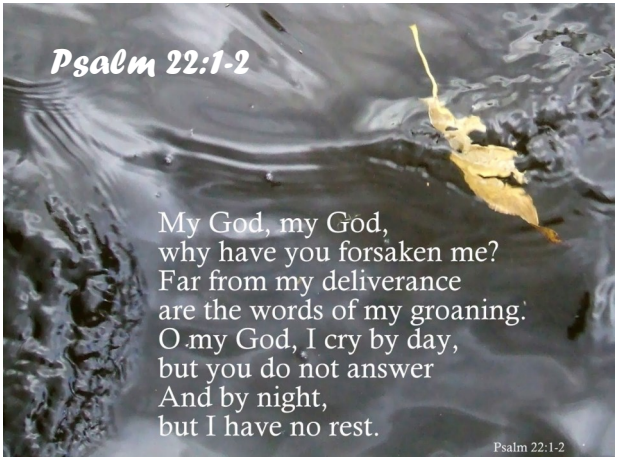
NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2021 - PENTECOST 20



Experiences of death and loss, natural disaster, illness, failure, brokenness, separation and inability to 'fix' things raise questions. Deep questions. Hard questions! Can we give them any space? Often people can't. We, like Job, may have had people give us glib and 'easy' answers about our suffering.

How do we manage when we feel abandoned by, deeply confused about, and experience the absence of, God? It's a tough and important question. Psalm 22 shows that we may bring our feelings to God – however raw and painful they are. Jesus said those words on the cross.

Michael Hare Duke, Scottish Episcopal bishop, whose base was in Perth, Scotland, speaks in a surprising way about God's *"inefficiency"* in the process of human history.

> "*I continually find stories that say, 'That's God'; though I recognise them looking backwards, I never know beforehand …* [God] *seems to me to be around in … all sorts of places, but I can't go along with people who say that God's in charge and that therefore the person you met at the bus stop was meant. That makes us simply all puppets. The fact is, we're here to grow and that's a messy business."*

These words are provocative – deliberately so, I think. We are here to grow ... It's as if Duke wants us to be very careful about how we speak of God and how we speak to people who don't experience God as "in charge" – including when we talk to ourselves. *Ian*

OUR CHURCH LIFE

This Week: 10 October Pentecost 20		Next Week: 17 October Pentecost 21	
9.30am Family Service **Rev Dr Ian Tozer**		**9.30am Family Service** **Rev Dr Ian Tozer**	
Job 23:1-9, 16-17	P.521	Job 38:1-7,(34-41)	P.532
Mark 10:17-31	P.60	Psalm 104:1-9,24,35c	P.600
		Hebrews 5:1-10	P.278
		Mark 10:35-45	P.61

Hymns Sunday 3rd October

TiS	87	*You are before me , Lord, you are behind,*
Overhead		*When, O God, our faith is tested*
TiS	262	*When pain and terror strike by chance,*
TiS	392	*At the dawning of salvation;*

A warm welcome to all visitors worshipping with us today
We invite you to join us in the Hall after the service
for Morning Tea and a time of fellowship

ROSTERS	Sunday 10 October	Sunday 17 October
Welcomer	Lee-Anne Burnett	Lee-Anne Burnett
Attendance Recorders	Beth McKechnie Bob Sumner	Mavis Coughlan
Elder	Jill Heaney	Els Mengler
Bible Reader	Michael van Drunen	Deborah Marshall
Flowers	Debbie Thornton	
Morning Tea		Carol Brearley, Marie Yuncken
Music	*Glenn, Joseph & Choir*	*Two Pianos*
Multimedia	Richard Smith	Richard Smith
KUCA	*School Holidays*	TBA

***Visit All Saints website* for the latest news & events at www.unitingchurchwa.org.au/floreat**

OUR CHURCH LIFE

THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP WILL NEXT MEET ON THURSDAY 21ST OCTOBER AT 1.30PM

at Villa 77 Ocean Gardens Retirement Village, 60 Kalinda Drive, City beach

This month our meeting will be held at Amanda Brown's home and you are invited to join us for afternoon tea, sea views and a fun brain teaser.

All are welcome!

Contact Amanda Brown mob:- 0434 260 117

CHURCH COUNCIL AND ELDER TRAINING

FRIDAY, 5 NOVEMBER: 6:30pm – 9:00pm

SATURDAY, 6 NOVEMBER: 9:00am – 4:00pm

This church council and elder training will examine how to improve upon the responsibilities you are charged with in the Uniting Church tradition:

- **spiritual oversight and pastoral care**
- **building up the congregation in faith and love, sustaining its members in hope, and leading them into a fuller participation in Christ's mission in the world.**

The course begins Friday night and continues on Saturday and helps each group of leaders think through core elements of oversight in the congregation – spirituality, talking about difficult topics, having a theological viewpoint, being missional, and governance issues.

A minimum of three from any church council taking part aids the conversation and learning. Course schedule:

FRIDAY, 5 NOVEMBER: 6:30pm – 9:00pm. ***Starting with coffee/dessert***

SATURDAY, 6 NOVEMBER: 9:00am – 4:00pm. ***Morning and afternoon tea provided, bring your own lunch or purchase from nearby cafes.***

LOCATION: Star Street Uniting Church, 43/45 Star Street, Carlisle

Cost: $50 for each congregational group.

Registration: Via email to PA.Education@wa.uca.org.au

Rex Harrison, Caden and Erin Potts enjoying the UCWA-KUCA Music Jamboree

Rex, his grand-daughter Aurora, and Caden and Erin Potts all had a great afternoon at Nedlands Uniting Church - the African drumming group was fantastic, they loved the singing and they had great fun with a drum making session.

Congratulations to Janine McDonald, Uniting Generations Coordinator, and her Committee for organising such a successful event.

OUR CHURCH LIFE

NOTE! MINISTER ON LEAVE

Rev Dr Ian Tozer will be on leave from Wednesday 3rd to Thursday 25th of November. Members are asked to contact their Elders for all matters pastoral during this time.

THE GREAT OUTBACK BBQ IS ON AGAIN AT ALL SAINTS!

Sunday 7th November following Church

Menu: Sausages, buns, salads, sauces. Adults $10; Children $5

Tea and coffee and orange juice will be available

Beth McKechnie, with her great team of willing helpers, will once again be organising the BBQ, so put it in your diary now!

RSVP: Sunday 24 October to Beth McKechnie

Phone: 0421 545 583 or Email: bethmckechnie1@gmail.com

NB! Please let Beth know if you have any dietary restrictions

NOTE! CONTACT REGISTRATION IS STILL MANDATORY, SO PLEASE USE THE SAFEWA APP ~ OR SIGN IN ~ WHEN ENTERING THE CHURCH AT ALL TIMES

SafeWA

When attending Sunday services, please use your phone to sign in with the SafeWA app as you enter the church.

If you don't have a phone to sign in with, please be sure to have your name registered with a tick by the Attendance Recorder in the Foyer.

FOR INFORMATION ON BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION OR CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, PLEASE CONTACT REV DR IAN TOZER - PHONE: 9387 6371; 0408 943 685

Upcoming dates to be noted

- **Sunday 10 October Women Leaders in the Abrahamic Tradition**
- **Sunday 10 - Thursday 14 October Trinity Art Craft Exhibition**
- **Friday 15 October 12.30pm: Uniting Aid 40th Anniversary celebration**
- **Sunday 31 October 1.00pm: CARAD Fundraising Concert (flyer on glass door)**
- **Sunday 7 November 11.30am: Great Outback BBQ**
- **Saturday 27 November 2.00pm: Combined Friendship Variety Show**

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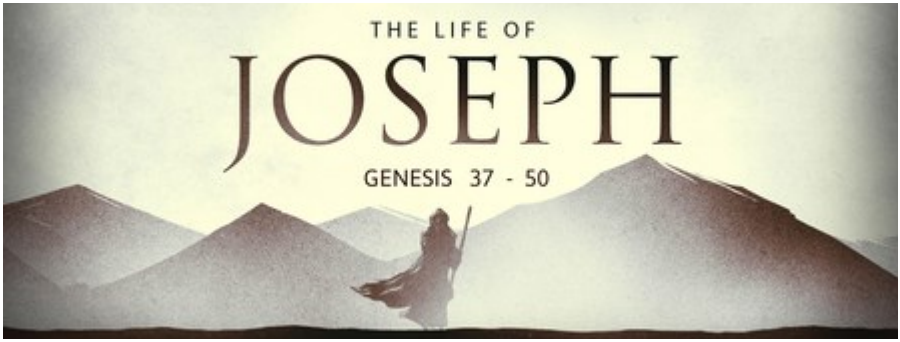
KYB (KNOW YOUR BIBLE) - Thursday 14th October 9.45-11.30 am

We will be meeting in the Vestry at Church - please note change of venue



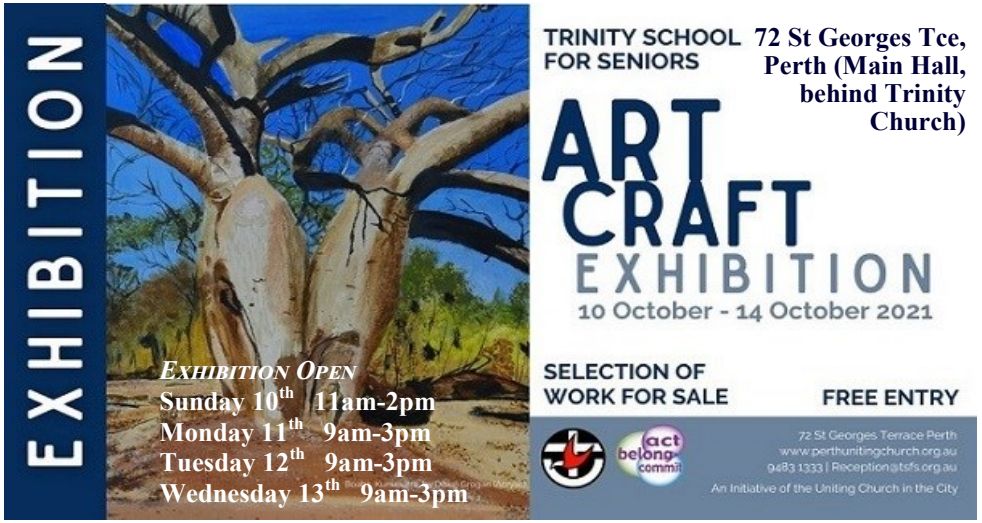
Fourth Term will commence with an Introduction to "Genesis 37-50" and books will be given out. Contact Sylvia Ryan (9387 4216) or Val Chew (0411 478 833) if you would like more information.

ALL SAINTS FLOREAT OPEN HOUSE PLAYGROUPS 2021

TERM 4 COMMENCING TUESDAY 12 AND WEDNESDAY 13 OCTOBER

A time for parents/grandparents/carers to bring their pre-schoolers (0-4 years) to play happily and enjoy activities as the adults socialise and get to know each other - $3 per family – bring your own snack box and water bottle - just come along on a Tuesday or Wednesday - or both!

Call Margaret Oliver: 0437 654 427 or Sylvia Ryan: 9387 4216 for info.



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It's that time of year again! The blank Duty Roster for November, December and January is now on the Hall Door awaiting your signature!

The Abraham Conference plays an important role in bringing Jews, Christians and Muslims together to discuss contemporary issues of concern for the members of the three religions and for the wider society.

As former Executive Producer of ABC Radio's 'Religion & Ethics', Jane Jeffs headed the ABC's Religion and Ethics unit, dealing with the role of religion and faith-inspired individuals and organisations in the modern world.

This year, the Abraham Conference wants to highlight the positive role of women in the Abrahamic traditions.

The Jewish speaker: Jacquie Seemann Charak, is co-founder & committee member of Or Chadash, a Modern Orthodox Synagogue, & Sydney Women's Tefila Group.

The Christian speaker: Sr Michele Connolly rsj, is a lecturer in Biblical Studies at the Catholic Institute of Sydney.

The Muslim speaker: Yamamah Agha, is General Manager of the Humanitarian Settlement Program at Settlement Services International.

To receive your link to this highly anticipated event, register for free at - https://events.humanitix.com/2021-abraham-conference

The Future of Christianity

DVD series of five studies featuring John Dominic Crossan, Marcus Borg, Sr Joan Chittister and Dr Val Webb

The last studies in this series, presented by Val Webb and Joan Chittister, will be held on Wednesdays 13th & 20th October from 3.30-5.30pm

- **13th October 'Women in the World' Val Webb and Joan Chittister**
- **20th October 'The View from Where I Stand Today' Val Webb**

Format: DVD with discussion - *Live Streamed*

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