



# NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021 - PENTECOST 21



Can God be trusted ...? That is what the book of Job is about. How do we deal with the worst of traumas and griefs, whether they come suddenly and unexpectedly, or whether they creep along, slowly drawing out our pain – sometimes over years?

No wonder people ask, ‘Can God be trusted?’

For many, that’s where it stops. They give up on God.

Job wrestled and tried to make sense of things, but when God spoke back, all struggles ceased. Frederick Buechner wrote\*: *“You can think of God as a great cosmic bully if you want, but you can also think of him as a great cosmic artist, a singer, say, of such power and magnificence and so caught up in the incandescence of his own art that he never notices that he has long since ruptured the eardrums of his listeners and reduced them to quivering pulp.”*

Buechner goes on to speak of Job’s reaction: *“[Job] had seen the great glory so shot through with sheer, fierce light and life and gladness, had heard the great voice raised in song so full of terror and wildness and beauty, that from that moment on, nothing else mattered. All possible questions melted like mist, and all possible explanations withered like grass, and all the bad times of his life together with all of the good times were so caught up in the fathomless life of this God, who had bent down to speak to him ...”*

We may not be where Job is when it comes to our deepest questions, our greatest distress, our on-going agony; however, Job’s witness is that, even if he never came to a full understanding, he had found a reason that made full sense of his experience, *“... he had with his own eyes ... beheld, and not as a stranger, the One who in the end clothed all things, no matter how small or confused or in pain, with his own splendour. And that was more than sufficient.”*

\*[Frederick Buechner, *Beyond Words*, Harper, 2004.]

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

<b>THIS WEEK: 17 OCTOBER PENTECOST 21</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK: 24 OCTOBER PENTECOST 22</b>		
<b><u>9.30am Family Service</u></b> Rev Dr Ian Tozer	<b><u>9.30am Family Service</u></b> Rev Dr Ian Tozer		
Job 37, 38 selected verses Mark 10:35-45	P.531 P.61	Job 42:1-6,10-17 Psalm 34:1-8,(19-22) Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 10:46-52	P.536 P.555 P.280 P.61

### HYMNS SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

TiS 186 *Stars and planets flung in orbit ...*

Overhead *God who knows our darkest moments...*

TiS 187 *Let all creation dance,*

TiS 256 *From heaven you came, helpless babe,*



*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 17 OCTOBER	SUNDAY 24 OCTOBER
WELCOMER	Lee-Anne Burnett	Lee-Anne Burnett
ATTENDANCE RECORDERS	Mavis Coughlan	Jean Read Graeme Read
ELDER	Els Mengler	Rex Harrison
BIBLE READER	Deborah Marshall	Jean Read
FLOWERS		
MORNING TEA	Carol Brearley, Marie Yuncken	Deborah Marshall, The McKechnies
MUSIC	<i>Two Pianos</i>	<i>Glenn, Joseph &amp; Choir</i>
MULTIMEDIA	Richard Smith	Michael van Drunen
KUCA	Marie Yuncken	Els Mengler

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## OUR CHURCH LIFE

### BOAB NETWORK SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM OCTOBER 2021



The Boab Network had a team of volunteers working in the Mowanjum community for the October School Holiday Program from the 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> of October . The program included a healthy skin clinic and education session, circuit games, fishing, visits to the

town swimming pool, healthy cooking, a trip to a bush waterhole and barbecue lunch and, which meant of course, lots of challenging situations for all.

We had to avoid crocodiles, both saltwater and freshwater, and grumpy dogs, manage recalcitrant children and slippery mud, dig a bus and two four wheel drive vehicles out of bogs, and deal with issues involving mental health crises, self-harm and suicide threats.

The team, made up of Karen and Matthew Sloan (Wembley Downs UC), Ross Gobby, Hayley Smith, Andrew Yan, and Lee-Anne Burnett, were assisted by Kerry Povey (Trinity North UC) and her family, who happened to be spending the week in Derby visiting family.



The children of Mowanjum continue to look forward to the arrival of the school holiday activity teams with delight and they participate wholeheartedly in anything we organise for them.

This year's October program was distinguished by a greater than usual involvement by older members of the community and was truly a community activity program.

Our thanks go to all those who assisted, and to the community for hosting our visit.

*Lee-Anne Burnett*

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

Coming soon to a church near you!

**The All Saints Combined Friendship Groups  
Variety Show with Afternoon Tea**

**2.00pm Saturday 27th November  
Note the date!**



### *The Future of Christianity*

The last study in the series held at  
Floreat All Saints UC

3.30 - 5.30pm Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October

### **The View from Where I Stand Today**



Presented by

**Val Webb**

Format:

**DVD with discussion**

***Live Streamed***

**ORGANISED BY PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY NETWORK WA INC.**

*Karen Sloan, Coordinator 0421 314 008; Marie Yuncken, Secretary 0410 061 279*

*Richard Smith, Chairman 0447 232 945; Geoff Schupp, Committee 0409 985 538*

Australian Church Women WA Unit invites you to

### **World Community Day 2021**

#### **Moving Forward in Faith: Living a Powerful Life**

10.30am Friday 5 November at St Hilda's Anglican Church  
15 View Street North Perth

#### **Guest Speaker: Mrs Kaye Seeber (Mum's Cottage Mandurah)**

At the service Fellowship of the Least Coin donations for 2021 will be received and a general offering will be taken up to be shared between the Asian Church Women's Conference and the 2021 Special Project. After the service all are invited to a light lunch and fellowship in the Hall.

Please contact Margaret Ker, 9328 8978, for further details.

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

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

### NOTE! MINISTER ON LEAVE

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



Show your support for  
remote Australia

**Book  
now!**

**THE GREAT OUTBACK BBQ AT ALL SAINTS!**

**SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER FROM 10.30AM**

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

Tea coffee & orange juice will be available

Organised by Beth McKechnie and her team of willing helpers

RSVP: Sunday 24 October to Beth McKechnie

Phone: 0421 545 583 or Email: [bethmckechnie1@gmail.com](mailto:bethmckechnie1@gmail.com)

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



### CAN YOU HELP?

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!

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



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.

## Wesley at One Music Recital

1:00 PM Friday 5th November

Wesley Uniting Church

Cnr William & Hay Streets, Perth.

Bring along your lunch and enjoy beautiful music from the 2021 Wesley Music Scholars and Adrian Soares (piano) in a peaceful sanctuary.

Wesley  
at One

free lunchtime recitals



## Free Lunchtime Recital

2nd Thursday of the month

'BellaLuce'

Featuring

Lucinda Nicholls

(soprano)

Anneke van der Laan

(cello)

Thursday 11 November 2021

12.30pm

Ross Memorial Uniting Church  
cnr Hay & Colin Streets, West Perth

[www.perthunitingchurch.org.au](http://www.perthunitingchurch.org.au)



### Upcoming dates to be noted

- Sunday 31 October 1.00pm: CARAD Fundraising Concert (flyer on glass door)
- Friday 5 November 10.30am World Community Day 2021 Service
- Friday 5 November 6.30pm Church Council and Elder Training
- Sunday 7 November 11.30am: Great Outback BBQ
- Saturday 27 November 2.00pm: Combined Friendship Variety Show

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP WILL NEXT MEET ON THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> 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:

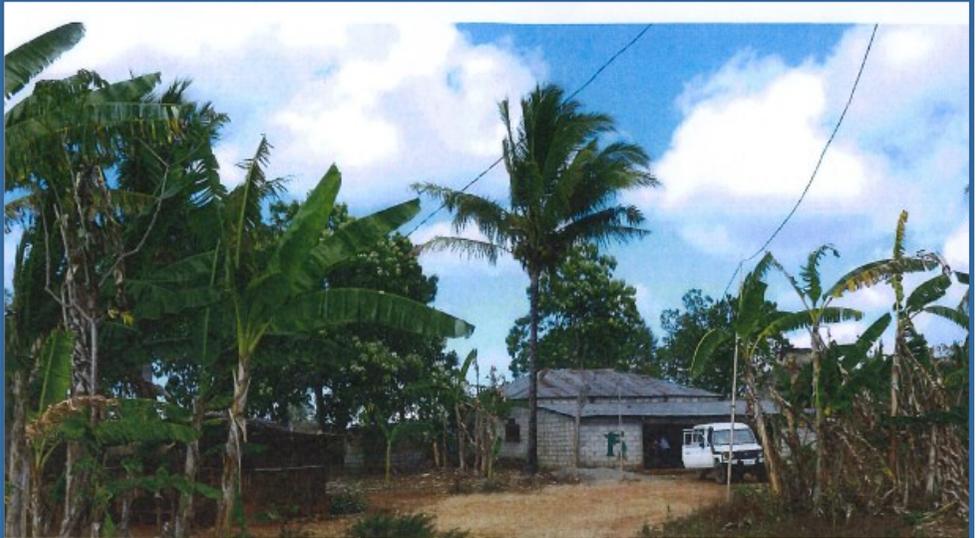
FRIDAY, 5 NOVEMBER: 6:30pm – 9:00pm. *Starting with coffee/dessert*

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](mailto:PA.Education@wa.uca.org.au)



# *Trek for Timor 2021*

*Walk to save a life*

**Sunday 7 November 2021 @1pm**

Kalumunda Uniting Church to Foothills Uniting Church

The International Partnerships & Development Commission invite you to get together with friends or go solo to raise money for Lafaek Diak's mobile health clinic in Timor Leste.

Our 10km trek is representative of the long distances people in remote communities in Timor Leste often have to walk to be able to access medical attention.

The mobile health clinic provides life saving community based health services to these remote communities.



**Details and Registration:**

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or email the Social Justice Unit - [justice@wa.uca.org.au](mailto:justice@wa.uca.org.au)