

# Adare Uniting Church — Update 36, 7th September 2023



Sunrise over Wohlers

Photo courtesy Barrie Carbins

## PREACHING PLAN:

Sun Sep 10th — Rev'd J McWhinney \*  
Sun Sep 17th — Rev'd J McWhinney \*  
Sun Sep 24th — Rev'd J McWhinney \*  
Sun Oct 1st **HC** — Rev'd J McWhinney  
\* Indicates morning tea after the service.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Bryan & Janet Ezard  
11/09/1965  
Barry & Jenny Fletcher  
14/09/1974  
David & Pat Keep  
14/09/1974

## JANICE'S NEXT DAY OFF:

Wednesday 13th September.

## FROM CHURCH COUNCIL:

Church Council will meet on Tuesday, September 12th.  
As Anne Craig will be away until the 24th September,  
please place all correspondence/items for discussion,  
IN WRITING in the Church Council pigeonhole at the  
church by Sunday 10th September.

## PEOPLE:

A HUGE thank you for the kind thoughts and best wishes I received at the morning tea for my 80th birthday. I was very touched by the number who stayed and shared in the celebration.

God bless, Barrie C.

### A BIG THANK YOU

*Annita and Ashley thank everyone for their prayers and messages of support over the last week. On Monday, at Royal Childrens Hospital Melbourne, Hamish underwent successful heart surgery, with the surgeon being able to repair 3 issues. He will require rest and recovery over the next few weeks.*

## LECTIONARY READINGS:

### Sunday September 10th

Exodus 12:1–14

Psalms 149

Romans 13:8–14

Matthew 18:15–20

## PRAYING THROUGH PENTECOST:

A short service of prayer is held  
on Tuesdays at 9 am.

## A LETTER FROM THE MODERATOR:

1st September 2023

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ,

Following the recent announcement by our Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, I felt the need to write this pastoral letter out of love and grace for all our church, especially as we prepare for the forthcoming Referendum for a First Nations 'Voice to Parliament.'

I am aware there has already been much discussion representing diverse and differing points of view, within both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Communities about 'The Voice.' At our recent Synod Meeting, we resolved (by Agreement) to 'support the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution to empower First Nations People to have a greater say in policy and legislation which govern their affairs.'

I know we are not of 'one mind' on this matter, and there are people struggling to understand and make sense of our Church's support of the 'Voice to Parliament.' The Synod Resolution was made considering the long-standing commitment we, the Uniting Church have in our Covenant with the Uniting Aboriginal Islander and Christian Congress (UAICC). As we seek to embody this covenantal relationship, we are challenged with what it means to be a church that embraces justice, love, equity, and mutual respect.

We are being asked to walk with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the country. Our Congress leadership is asking us to be part of this journey, in response to the invitation in the Uluru Statement from the Heart. This is a journey that has been decades in the making. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are invited to walk together, not only as First and Second Peoples, but as a family living in Christ.

I am calling our Church to engage with the question being put at this Referendum, with a desire for hope and healing that reflects our experience of God's love and mercy.

Will you pray for our nation, for our church, your local community, your family and friends? Will you individually, and in your services of worship, make this a time of prayer in which we would bless each other in the name of Jesus Christ, regardless of any differing point of view. Rev Dr Auntie Denise Champion reminded me today, that we are family and that as family we don't always agree with each other, however we are still family.

I pray God's peace for you, your families and communities.

God's Blessings,

Rev Peter Morel

Moderator

## BIRTHDAYS:

Faye Anderson	10/09
Dean Wickham	15/09
Fay Richardson	15/09
Julianne Smithson	17/09
Pauline Read	18/09
Sheila Arnold	19/09

### BIRTHDAY SURPRISES:

When you have a birthday, please check your pigeon-hole and receive your birthday surprise!

## VICTOR HARBOR MEN'S SHED:

Sunday 24th September  
Bunnings Sausage Sizzle BBQ

Help wanted, as there are still two vacancies in the afternoon.

## 2023 VICTOR HARBOR CHRISTMAS APPEAL:

This year the Salvation Army is coordinating a combined Christmas Appeal, with local churches and community groups all contributing.

If you would like to be a part of this project, please give your name to Ruth Williamson.

Children are great imitators  
so give them something  
great to imitate.





# LIVE ARTS AT NEWLAND

PRESENTS



REMEMBER THE FABULOUS FOLK MUSIC OF THE 60s & 70s.  
The FOSSILS folk group – featuring award winning Peter Combe - will present an afternoon of unforgettable melodies and stirring harmonies.

**SUNDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2:00pm**  
**20 Victoria St, Victor Harbor**  
**NEWLAND UNITING CHURCH**

**Doors will not open for ticket sales or entry until 30 minutes before starting time.**

TICKETS AT SWAN'S HARBOR PHARMACY AND AT THE DOOR  
or Online via Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/newland>  
Adults \$25; Pensioners/seniors/concessions \$20 and Children FREE



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## Advance Notice:

Lobethal Harmony Club,  
Men's Choir concert  
8th October at 2 pm.

Funds raised for Frontier Services. Ruth Williamson will have Tickets, Posters etc.

## cranky old women

When my wife and I arrived at a car dealership to pick up our car after a service, we were told the keys had been locked in it. We went to the service department and found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the driver's side door. As I watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door handle and discovered that it was unlocked.

'Hey,' I announced to the technician, 'its open!'

His reply, 'I know. I already did that side.'

I'm selling this glass door. Just needs to be assembled.



**As You Prayerfully Prepare To**  
**PACK YOUR SHOEBOX GIFT ...**

Please remember that your shoebox gift will be an expression of God's love to a child. In fact, it may be the only gift the child receives. So, plan to pack quality items that will last, *and don't forget to make it FUN!*

NOTE: The last day to return packed Shoeboxes is Sunday 22nd October.