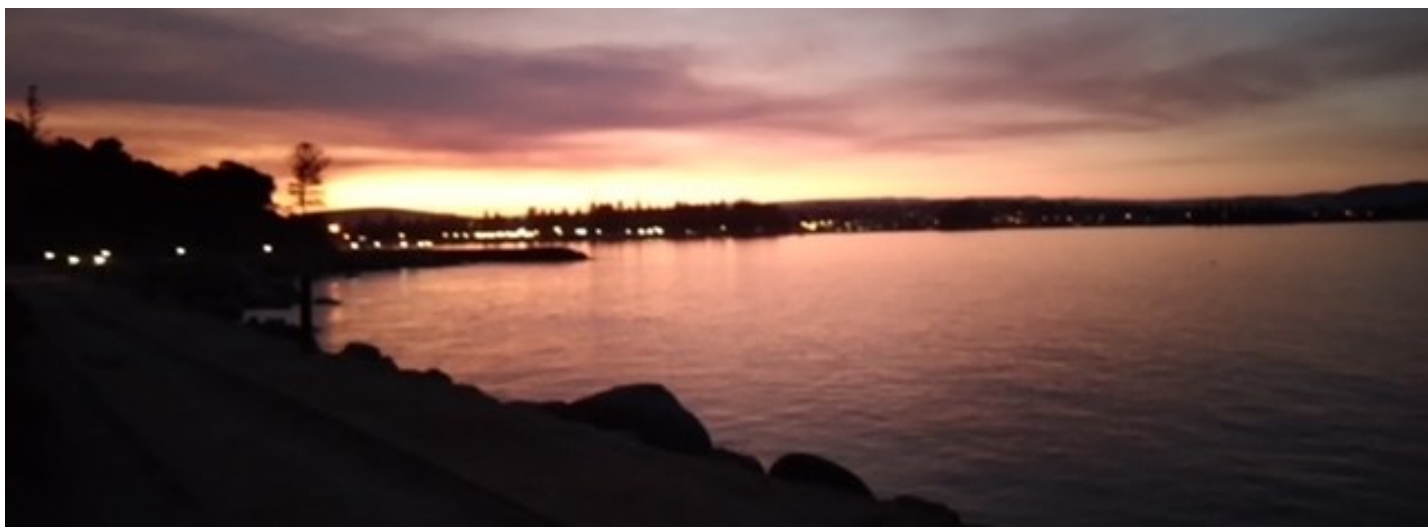


Adare Uniting Church — Update 48, 6th December 2024



Sunset from Granite Island

Photo courtesy Pip Burfield

PREACHING PLAN

Sun Dec 8th – Rev'd J McWhinney *

Sun Dec 15th – Rev'd J McWhinney *

Sun Dec 22nd – Rev'd J McWhinney *

Christmas Eve 7 pm

Tues Dec 24th – Rev'd J McWhinney

Christmas Day 9.30 am

Wed Dec 25th – Rev'd J McWhinney

Sun Dec 29th – Rev'd J McWhinney *

Sun Jan 5th – Rev'd J McWhinney HC

* *Indicates morning tea after the service*

Rev'd Janice's day off

next week will be Wednesday 11th December.

1st CORINTHIANS 13 (A Christmas version)

If I decorate my house perfectly with bows, twinkling lights and shiny balls, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another decorator.

If I slave away in the kitchen, baking goodies, preparing gourmet meals and arranging a beautiful table, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another cook.

If I work at the soup kitchen, sing carols in the nursing home and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family, it profits me nothing.

If I trim the tree with beautiful objects, attend a myriad parties and sing in the cantata, but do not focus on those I love the most, I have missed the point.

In other words...

Love stops the cooking to hug a child.

Love sets aside the decorating to kiss the spouse.

Love is kind, though harried and tired.

Love doesn't envy another's home that has coordinated Christmas table decorations.

Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of the way, but is thankful they are there to be in the way.

Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return, but rejoices in giving to those who can't.

Love hears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never fails.

Video games will break, pearl necklaces will be lost, golf clubs will rust.

But the gift of love will endure.

Author unknown

PEOPLE

Beth Baker is celebrating her 100th birthday! There will be a special morning tea at Adare after the service on Sunday 8th December.

Please pray for those you know are suffering, and those who are caring for them, that they will feel God's presence at all times.

LECTIONARY READINGS

Sunday 8th December

Malachi 3:1–4

Luke 1:68–79

Philippians 1:3–11

Luke 3:1–6

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Carol & John Hubbard
7/12/1968

Ken & Lesley Mablesen
18/12/1971

Pip & Sue Burfield
19/12/64

BIRTHDAYS

Carol Hubbard 14/12

Helen Pratt 17/12

Carolyn Oors 17/12

Joyce Baxter 18/12

BIRTHDAY SURPRISES:

When your birthday is listed, please check your pigeon-hole and receive your birthday surprise!

I'm not saying spelling is important, but I'm saying spelling is important



Sharing the 'Wonder of Advent'
Sundays in the Adare Church at Five

1, 8 and 15 December

Followed by Pizza and drinks

CRICKET IS QUITE SIMPLE

YOU HAVE TWO SIDES.....OURS AND THEIRS, ONE OUT IN THE FIELD AND ONE IN. EACH MAN IN THE SIDE THAT'S IN, GOES OUT, AND, WHEN HE'S OUT, HE COMES IN AND THE NEXT MAN GOES IN UNTIL HE'S OUT. THEN, WHEN THEY HAVE ALL BEEN IN AND ARE ALL OUT, THE SIDE THAT'S BEEN IN THE FIELD GOES IN AND THE SIDE THAT'S IN GOES OUT AND TRIES TO GET OUT THOSE COMING IN. SOMETIMES YOU GET MEN STILL IN AND NOT OUT. THEN WHEN BOTH SIDES HAVE BEEN IN AND OUT, INCLUDING NOT-OUTS, THAT'S THE END OF THE GAME.IT'S REALLY VERY SIMPLE

Sharing the Wonder of Christmas



Christmas Eve

Readings and Carols at 7pm

Christmas Day

'Welcoming Jesus' at 9.30am

**Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!**



'What does Christmas mean to you?'

If you'd like to write a short sentence or two on your thoughts about the meaning of Christmas, please email me at

jmcwhinney@bigpond.com

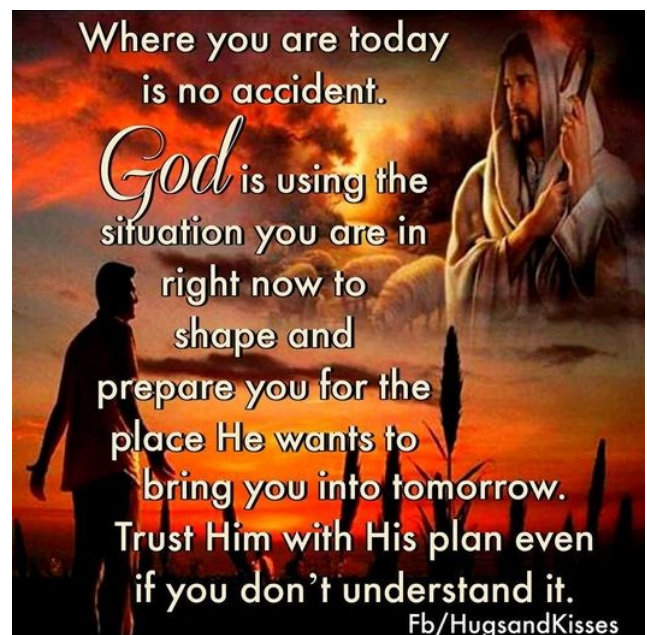
before Sunday 22 December.

I'll read out a few during the Christmas Eve/Day Worship Services.

If you would be willing to read some Scripture during the Christmas Eve service, please let Janice know.

**The bad news:
You can't have it all.**

**The good news:
You don't need it all!**



2024 Victor Harbor Christmas Appeal

Gift ideas

Non-perishable foods

- Breakfast cereals
- Puddings, shortbread, cakes
- Snacks (biscuits, chips, lollies)
- Tinned food (ring-pull tins only)
- Canned pasta sauces
- Canned curry and stir-fry sauces
- Tinned baked beans, spaghetti
- Long-life milk or juices
- Iced tea
- Baby food
- Liquid gravy
- Spreads and jams
- Tea, coffee, hot chocolate
- Tinned soups

Gift vouchers

- Visa gift cards
- Movie gift cards
- Restaurant gift cards
- Shopping centre gift cards

Toys and activities

- Books
- Puzzles and board games
- Music instruments
- Headphones, speakers
- Sporting gear - netballs, footballs, soccer balls, basketballs, cricket sets

Personal accessories

- Baseball caps, sun hats
- Perfume, aftershave
- Backpacks, wallets, handbags
- Beach towels
- Personal hygiene products and toiletries

Christmas items

- Bon bons
- Decorations
- Tablecloths
- Napkins

Drop-off points

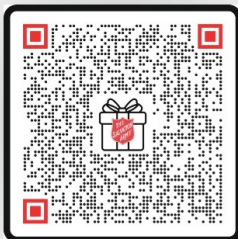
City of Victor Harbor Civic Centre
1 Bay Road, Victor Harbor

Salvation Army
22 Bartel Boulevard, Victor Harbor

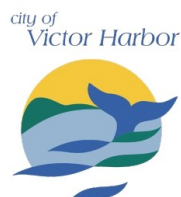
And many more!



**Gifts will be accepted from November 2024.
All gifts must be newly purchased (not used).**



Is your family in need this Christmas? Scan the QR code, phone (08) 8552 7474 or visit www.salvationarmy.org.au/victorharbor/christmas-appeal to register your details.



SCCCC
South Coast Christian Community Care

