# Adare Uniting Church — Update 50, 20th December



### PREACHING PLAN

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 Sun Jan 12th – Rev'd J McWhinney \* Sun Jan 19th – Mr T Keen (Gideons) \*

\* Indicates morning tea after the service

# LECTIONARY READINGS

Sunday 22nd December

Micah 5:2–5a Luke 1:46b–55 or Psalm 80:1–7 Hebrews 10:5–10 Luke 1:39–45 (46–55)

#### Sunday 29th December

1 Samuel 2:18–20, 26 Psalm 148 Colossians 3:12–17 Luke 2:41–52

#### Rev'd Janice's day off

next week will be Friday 27th December (in addition to public holidays, of course).

God has done it all! He sent Christ to make peace between Himself and us, and He has given us the work of making peace between Himself and others. 2 Corinthians 5:18 CEV

# '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 <u>jmcwhinney@bigpond.com</u>

before Sunday 22 December.

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

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mark & Zelma Zma 22/12/1962

Paul & Marlene Hutton 22/12/1979

Dennis & Trish Williams 23/12/1969

Wally & Bernice Humphrys 03/01/1976

# **Christmas Eve Readers**

Please collect your reading from Janice on Sunday 22 December.

## BIRTHDAYS

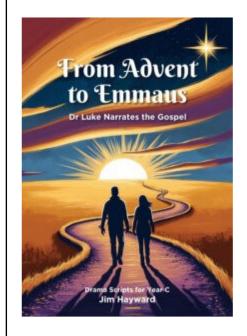
Marlene Winkler	21/12
Eric Secomb	02/01
Ian McCallum	02/01
Jenny Fletcher	03/01

BIRTHDAY SURPRISES: When your birthday is listed, please check your pigeonhole and receive your birthday surprise! The Rev'd Nicholas Rundle, Anglican Church, has invited members of our church to share a Blue Christmas service on Sunday, 22 December, at 5 pm in the Victor Harbor Anglican Church. It will be a simple liturgy shared with South Coast Funerals, with singing, candle lighting and remembrance of

No.

Did you know that the chopping down of the Christmas tree represents the death of Christ and putting it back up again represents the resurrection of Christ. Did you know that the wreaths we hang are never ending circles, that represents eternity Candy canes were made to look like shepherd hooks and the colors red, Jesus' blood, white, purity. The gifts, represents the III gifts the wise men brought for Jesus. So when you are running around trying to get the "perfect gift", stop yourself take a deep breath and remember we have been given the perfect gift, Jesus Christ was given to us to remove all of our sins. Incredible

MERRY CHRISTMAS



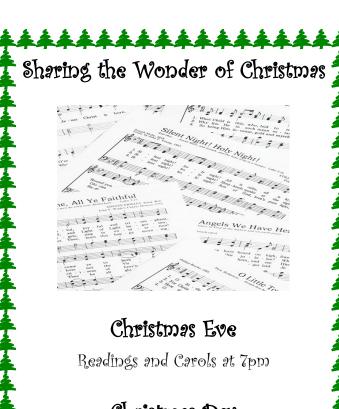
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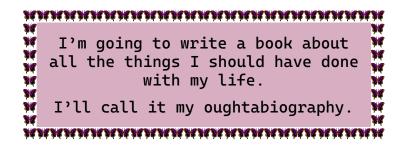


Christmas Day 'Welcoming Jesus' at 9.30am

Merry Christmas and a Happy New year!

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I was afraid this would happen!