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## BULLETIN – SEPTEMBER 2013

### NETWORK NEWS & EVENTS

#### *Exciting news - partnership is closer ....*

Later this month, Rev Christa Megaw will seek Standing Committee's endorsement of a proposal that the Presbytery of South Australia engage in partnership with the Middle Luzon Jurisdiction of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines.

The proposal will be put forward to the meeting of the Synod/Presbytery meeting in November.

If you'd like to comment or provide feedback or would like more information, please contact:

Rev Christa Megaw: International Mission Officer MRSA, ph 8236 4203 email [cmegaw@sa.uca.org.au](mailto:cmegaw@sa.uca.org.au)

The UCCP Tondo Evangelical Church writes in response to the gift of \$425.00 for the pre-school at the Smoky Mountain site given by those who attended the afternoon at Morialta with Rev Andy Tiver in July:

'Indeed this is good news from you to us! You have just warmed our hearts.

Please send our heartfelt thanks to the Uniting Church in South Australia. God bless you all.'

#### *National Urban Mission Conference, Pilgrim Church, 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> September*

Every congregation, whatever size or theology or programs, has a great deal to contribute to the "common good" in their own context.

This conference has something for all ministers and all congregation leaders. Come, join the conversation.

Register now - it's not too late to join up - here's the web link <http://www.urbannetwork.org>



Dr Chris Baker, Director of Research for the William Temple Foundation and Senior Lecturer in Urban and Public Theology at the University of Chester UK will be the primary resource person.

Cost \$100.00 for the three days includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea each day.

Information: Rev Dr Dean Eland 0419112603 [djeland@bigpond.com](mailto:djeland@bigpond.com) Rev Sandy Boyce 0409283004 [boyce@pilgrim.org.au](mailto:boyce@pilgrim.org.au)

#### *Network Gathering*

6.00 pm for 6.30 pm, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November at the Uniting College for Leadership and Theology  
Planning is underway, more details next month. Please diarise, and plan to come with others in your congregation.

#### *Ministers' Informal Bar-b-que Lunch*

12.00 noon, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October at Payneham South.

Further information: Coordinator: Urban Mission Network, ph 8332 8339 email [christine@urbannetwork.org.au](mailto:christine@urbannetwork.org.au)

#### *Windows into the Text with Rev Dr Howard Wallace Book the dates*

7.00 pm Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November and from 9.45 am Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Whose eyes for we see the story of Exodus through?

Rev Howard Wallace has a passion for the Old Testament and a passion for art.

In the 2013 edition of Windows into the Text, the windows will be replaced by art works – we will, quite literally, look at selected texts as some artists have looked at them.

Brochure & registration <http://www.urbannetwork.org> information ph 8332 8339 or [christine@urbannetwork.org.au](mailto:christine@urbannetwork.org.au)



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### *Placements News*

Joint Nominating Committees at Morialta and Port Elliot are continuing their work.

Clearview and Para Hills have farewelled Rev Andrew Robertson. Andrew will take up the Placement at Mount Gambier later in the year.

## **AROUND OUR CONGREGATIONS**

### *Pilgrim, 12 Flinders St, Adelaide*

**Spring Festival, 10.00 am – 2.00 pm, 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> September**

The church will be open for quiet reflection and for viewing and enjoying floral displays.

**Interfaith Service of Lament, 5.15 pm, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September**

A service of support for all those seeking asylum.

**Music in the Lane, 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm, every Monday**

Eclectic music at lunchtime in the laneway adjacent to Pilgrim Church. Look out for the colourful staging.

### **Thinking Tuesdays**

**6.00 pm – 7.30 pm, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September in the Pilgrim Lounge.** Light meal included

A new study each month – commit yourself to Tuesdays this month and read Jim Wallis's 'On God's Side'.

### **Movie Discussion Resources, written by Rev Sandy Boyce**

Prepared by Rev Sandy Boyce and designed to generate conversation, these resources are uploaded regularly to the Pilgrim web site.

Further information on all items: Church Office 8212 3295 email [office@pilgrim.org.au](mailto:office@pilgrim.org.au) or <http://www.pilgrim.org.au>

### *Sandy Creek, 162 Williamstown Rd, Cockatoo Valley*

**Wildflower walk in local bush, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

Meet at the Church at 1.00 pm. Guided in an easy walking area. \$7.00 includes afternoon tea.

Book with Molly ph 8523 7428 or Hazel ph 8524 4149

### *Scots Church Adelaide, 237 North Tce, Adelaide*

**Remembrance Service for those lost to Suicide, 5.30 pm, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

On World Suicide Awareness Day, Scots Church Adelaide will be open all day from 10.00 am to 7.00 pm as a peaceful place for people to remember and contemplate loved ones lost to suicide.

A remembrance service will be conducted at 5.45 pm inside Scots Church with refreshments to follow.

There will be activity in front of the church all day, from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm. Chalkboards will be available for people to write messages and words of hope and passers-by will be entertained with music and coffee.

### *Wesley Kent Town, Cnr Fullarton Rd & Grenfell St, Kent Town*

**Concerts at Kent Town, Winter and Spring Series 2013**

2.00 pm Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September.

Featuring the Band of the South Australia Police. Tickets at door, \$8.00 includes afternoon tea.

Enquiries: Sheila Bryce ph 8322 4581 email [sbrycepublicity@hotmail.com](mailto:sbrycepublicity@hotmail.com)



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## NEWS FROM OUR CENTRES

*Effective Living Centre, 26 King William Rd, Wayville*

### **Mindfulness Seminars**

Taught by Rev Nicholas Rundle, these seminars are offered in a respectful, inclusive and open spirit and are for people of goodwill and from all faiths. Sessions include prayer and scripture.

9.30am–1.00pm Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September: Mindfulness – Introduction to Mindfulness Meditation

9.30am–1.00pm Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September: Mindfulness and Great Decision Making.

### **2013 Artist in Residence program, *Playing with Light with Cath Lappin***

8<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> October. Encouraging the creative spirit through photography and art.

Photography is enjoyed by people of all ages and all skill levels. Using a theme of 'light', this week is designed for you to 'have a play' and make some art pieces using 'hands on' simple processes.

It is an opportunity to explore and reflect on different light in our lives.

No experience necessary, but you will need a digital camera for some activities.

### **Positive Parenting programme – last session for the year**

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 'Helping your Teen Deal with Emotions Constructively'.

### **Responding to violence in the Home**

**7.00 pm, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

Social Issues event presented by Dr Deidre Palmer, Moderator.

Details and registrations: <http://www.effectiveliving.org/> or phone 8271 0329 or email [office@effectiveliving.org](mailto:office@effectiveliving.org)

## WIDER CHURCH

*Rosefield, 2 Carlton St, Highgate*

**Cabaret Evening, 7.30 pm – 10.00 pm, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

Featuring the band 'Summer Rain' playing music of Paul Kelly, Van Morrison, Crowded House, James Taylor.

BYO drinks, food platters on sale. Supporting Rosefield and Indigenous young people attending NCYC 2014.

Tickets and information from the church office ph 8271 9528 email [admin@rosefield.org.au](mailto:admin@rosefield.org.au)

*Unity and Friends*

**Next meeting, 6.30 pm, Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October, Church of the Trinity, 318 Goodwood Rd, Clarence Park**

Further information: <http://unityandfriends.unitingchurch.org.au/> or Val Cauty [val.cauty@gmail.com](mailto:val.cauty@gmail.com)

*Synod Strategic Plan*

All Uniting Church people in South Australia are invited to contribute to the Synod's new Strategic Plan - click [here](#) to access the survey.

Please speak to your minister if you'd like a print version of the survey.

The survey closes on Friday 27 September, 2013.

*Children and Family Ministry Team*

Godly Play Open House, 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at Bethany Lutheran Church, Bethany Rd, Bethany.

Featuring two interstate Godly Play trainers, this seminar is for anyone who would like to have a look, experience a story or two and ask questions. RSVP to [children@sa.uca.org.au](mailto:children@sa.uca.org.au)



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## Introducing Rev Judy Knowling



Incarnation theology has a very strong place in my life, faith and spirituality, and I continue to be amazed at how God is in and through so many every day and huge events. 18 months ago I returned to Adelaide after over 30 years of wandering this wonderful nation Australia and being involved in ministry as both lay person and Deacon.

After working for many years in the office of a hardware store in Adelaide, I began four years of support work with Rev Dean Drayton in the Synod Office in Adelaide in the Order of St Stephen. I then left South Australia and went to Maryborough Queensland and was involved in the Parish as their Christian Education Officer. I moved to Brisbane and took the position of Chaplain to a group of Aged Care Homes for the Uniting Church.

After I was ordained as a Deacon, I spent a few years at Nanango in south western Queensland and then onto Western Australia to take up a Frontier Services position as Patrol Minister in the Pilbara Patrol.

These positions have offered great richness in my life as I have mixed with all kinds of people from all kinds of places, backgrounds, beliefs and needs.

I am currently the Uniting Church Chaplain at the Royal Adelaide Hospital which is proving to be both exciting and overwhelming. It remains a huge privilege to 'be alongside' people and families who are facing big questions in their lives, to work alongside a team of faithful people and to look forward to a new way of being chaplains as the new RAH comes on stream.



A quote from Lilla Watson, an Aboriginal woman, has stayed with me for many years now, and I will share it. "If you come to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come because your liberation is bound up with mine, let us work together." These words are profound for me on many levels.

Since coming to Adelaide, I have moved into my own home and am spending my spare time giving it some love and making it my own. I always seem to be busy fielding electricians, plumbers, painters, carpet layers and landscapers to name a few. Hoping this will slow down soon, but doesn't seem to be yet. I am enjoying reconnecting with family and with friends, rediscovering Adelaide and SA, walking and bird watching! I am part of the Modbury Uniting Church community.

For information about how you may support Judy in her chaplaincy work, please contact her on 8222 5388 or [judy.knowling@health.sa.gov.au](mailto:judy.knowling@health.sa.gov.au)

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