

New Production

“DEIRDRE HAS BOOKED ANOTHER GROUP TO SEE LOCAL AUTHOR AND PRODUCER, JENNY DAVIS’ PRODUCTION OF ‘SYDNEY II’ at the DON RUSSELL PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE IN MURDOCH DR, THORNLIE, ON THURSDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 10TH at 7pm. Group concession tickets \$30 ea. See Deirdre or phone 9312 0560.”

This is the WW2 story of the missing warship, SYDNEY II, found off Geraldton just a few years ago. A brilliant production! Deirdre.

Meditation Group

Come and join us at the Meditation Sessions held at 9.30am every Thursday at the Church.

Join us for coffee afterwards at Firewood Cafe on High Rd. ☹️

For more information, please contact Marg Staffa on 0439 747 534



Prayerbook and Offering

| Rosters: | Sunday 23 July 2023 | Sunday 30 July 2023 |
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| Minister: | Rev Dr Alison Longworth | Café Church |
| Readers: | D Russell, B Bennewith | Chris Malan, TBA |
| Organist: | Janice Barrett | Deirdre Russell |
| Stewards: | E Kenny, J Murdock, R Rowson | M Barron, M Way, T Orr |
| Welcome: | L Waterhouse, P Whipple | Lynne Burking, Jenny Vermeer |
| Morning Tea: | L Kenny, F McRae | Lois & John Murdock |
| Audio Visual: | Vicki Banks | Judy Rowson |
| Worship & Minister: | Bruce Read | |
| Steward Enquiries: | Ed Kenny: Phone 0439 558 036 | |

Deirdre Russell has a block booking for **MARY POPPINS** at Crown on SUNDAY Sept 24th, sunset matinee 6.30pm. Excellent seats, \$132ea group price. See Deirdre.

Vintage Coffee Group will meet Wednesday 26 July 2023 at Kauphy Place, cnr. High Road and Augusta Street, Willetton at 2.30pm.

LADIES EVENING FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Our next gathering will be at Chris Malan’s home at 7.30pm
34 Massey St Rossmoyne on WEDNESDAY AUGUST 2, All welcome to join us. Queries to Chris on 94575142

23 July 2023



WILLETTON CONGREGATION

<https://willetton.ucwa.au/>

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NEWSLETTER



**God’s love and hope in action
for as long as God is there, there will always be a Light,
a Hope, a Way. Make every moment full of
Love and Hope for God**



Blessings
Uniting Church Australia
Presbytery of Western Australia

A WORD ON GENESIS 24 1-22

The journey of our 'fathers in the faith' continues. Jacob is fleeing the possible wrathful consequences of his deception (chap.27). I do like the warts and all stories of these greats who are still included in the story, quite different from current practice that is inclined to exclude for fear of being associated with them Face-saving?

There are others also, Moses, Jonah. Where would we be should they have been excluded from the story, for the story does not end with their 'failures', It's HI-Story, a story of presence and inclusion of the God of compassion who doesn't give up on us.

So, Yahweh confronts Jacob on the run. Of that event Jacob exclaims in the wonder of it all, "surely the Lord is in this place and I didn't know it". That's a thought well worth hanging on to when sometimes we feel overwhelmed by guilt, be it neurotic or real!

Francis Thompson beautifully portrays that moment of confrontation in his poem, 'The Hound of heaven' The words are available on the net. (Harry Lucas)



Prayers for the week starting 23 July.

Northam, Toodyay and York Uniting Churches
Council of Churches WA and YouthCARE



Bible Reading Today, 23 July 2023

Genesis 28:10-19a, Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24
Romans 8:12-25, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Bible Reading Sunday, 30 July 2023

Genesis 29:15-28, Psalm 105:1-11, 45b or Psalm 128
Romans 8:26-39, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Workshop Lesmurdie: Following the highly successful morning workshop "Ageing well in faith" at Sophie Lazare's church in Kalamunda last week, the Baptist church in Lesmurdie is hosting "The Conversation You Need to have – talking about death won't kill you" – on Sun 6th August from noon – 2.30pm. Mark your diaries now for a very informative time. Cost \$20 ea. for lunch and all resources. Pool your cars! Practical advice about your choices from a family lawyer, GP and more. Rsvp by 30th July. Call 9291 9866, 1 Varley St, Lesmurdie. Deirdre.

Good Sammy Men's Clothing Drive

Good Sammy stores are calling for your generous donations of quality men's clothing as they restock shelves. They would appreciate donations of all kinds from business attire to casual wear, including accessories and shoes.

Find your nearest Good Sammy store by visiting <https://goodsammy.com.au/>



So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh" for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope, we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Thought for Today

Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle. As with all matters of the heart, you'll know when you find it."

Steve Jobs