

**A Special Meeting of the Congregation** will be held after Worship on **Sunday 15 October 2023**. There will be two items on the agenda.

1. The Joint Nominating Committee will bring a name to the Congregation for a Full Time Minister of the Word. Voting by Secret Ballot will be conducted.
2. In order for the Church Council to make an informed decision, there will be a discussion to consider Christmas Services.

**Church Maintenance:** The Church Council are looking for someone to co-ordinate any maintenance/repairs requirements for the Church and manse. It would mean keeping a watchful eye on the buildings and arranging (in conjunction with Council) subcontractors as necessary to do any work. Please talk to Barbara Bennewith if you feel you can take on this important role. **The garden is needing a little TLC – a busy bee will be held on Saturday 7 October from 8am.** We would be grateful for the help of anyone who has some spare time and energy. Thank you.

**Church Offering:** For some time now, we have had the offering bowls at the door of the Church. For health and safety this practice will continue. For convenience you can also do a bank transfer for your offering. For some this does not feel right but it is convenient, and it is received with thanks. The bank details are below if you wish to contribute this way in the future:

**Westpac:** UCA Willetton Congregation BSB: 036-081 Account: 862 511  
Thank you, Barbara (Treasurer),



### Prayerbook and Offering

**Friendship Circle** will meet tomorrow **2 October, 2.00pm**. There will be recognition for memories of our late Congregational member, **Edith Morrell.** **Thought for the Day:** Lyn Muir, Trading Table available. **Afternoon Tea:** Christine Erskine and others. All welcome

**Craft Group** will meet on **6 October, 10.00am - 2.30pm** in the Hall of Willetton Uniting Church, 16 Herald Avenue, please bring your lunch, coffee or tea is provided.

**Vintage Coffee Group** will meet on **Wednesday 4 October 2.30pm** at the **Dome, Deep Water Point.**

**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. 🕯

**Pastoral Partners and Elders meeting:** There will be a meeting/workshop for Elders and Pastoral Partners on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October** from 9.30am to 12 noon at the church.

**1 October 2023**



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## NEWSLETTER



### Our Mission

**To Participate in and Grow the Mission of God at Willetton by**

- Sharing the love of God and
- Telling people about Jesus

### Our Vision

God's Love and Hope in Action

### Our Values

Discipleship, Service, Compassion and Justice.



**God bless you.**

## **A word on the WORD (MATTHEW 21:23-32)**

Jesus is in his final year of ministry, and He is facing growing opposition from religious leaders who disagree with him on the interpretation of the LAW (Torah) The crowds accepted his teaching and judged it as having the authority that the Scribes didn't possess

Who gave you authority to teach? Trouble, trouble!

The ensuing story points to what matters most – doing the will of God or going through a system that ticks boxes and doesn't concern itself about outcomes?

A division between word and action has taken place and once this happens don't be surprised of the outcome.

WOW! It's the outcasts, says Jesus who are making positive responses and they are first into the kingdom.

(Harry Lucas 0407 483 926)



### **Prayers for the week starting 1 October.**

The Resources Commission, Social Justice Commission, Uniting Church Adult Fellowship WA, Uniting Church Mission Fellowship and the International Partnerships and Development Commission

**New Name Badges**, Lesley is ordering new name badges for all who require one, please see Lesley after church or call her on 0407192496



### **Bible Reading Today, 1 October 2023**

Ex 17:1-7, Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Phil 2:1-13, Mathew 21:23-32

### **Bible Reading Sunday, 8 October 2023**

Ex 1-4, 7-9, 12-20, Psalm 19

Phil 3:4b-14, Mathew 21:33-46



## **Ladies Evening Fellowship**

All ladies are welcome to join us for our next meeting which will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, **11 October** starting at **7.30pm**. It will be at Chris Malan's, 34 Massey St Rossmoyne. Chris can be contacted by **phone 9457 5142**.

### **Rosters: Sunday 1 October 2023**

**Minister:** Samuel Annan

**Readers:** Rita van Bremen, M Suann

**Organist:** Deirdre Russell

**Stewards:** J Burns, J Maddocks, R Rowson

**Welcome:** W Wilson, F McRae

**Morning Tea:** M Barron, L Burking

**Audio Visual:** Eddie Riedel

**Worship & Minister:**

**Holy Communion:** Barbara Bennewith

**Steward Enquiries:** Ed Kenny: Phone 0439 558 036

### **Sunday 8 October 2023**

Samuel Annan

L Muir, J Burns

Janice Barrett

N Loudon, J Murdock, G Rowney

M Hogan, A Ontong

J Heath, C Erskine

Judy Rowson

Lesley Kenny



### **Preachfest! - 1 to 3 November 2023**

CEDAL, the Commission for Education for Discipleship and Leadership, invites you to join the Virtual Hub for [Preachfest! 2023](#). Preachfest! is a 3-day festival created to inspire and enliven the craft, art and vocation of preaching across churches in Australia. Keynote speakers this year are Stan Grant and Amy-Jill Lewis!

The event will take place from 1 to 3 November and there is a Virtual Hub at Kalamunda Uniting Church. Go to the event page for details.

### **Thought for the Week**

**Strength doesn't come from what you can do. It comes from overcoming the things you once thought you couldn't.**

Anonymous