24 September 2023



Church Worship area will be open every Thursday between the hours of 10am and 12pm for members and others to come in and use the space for their personal prayers?

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.

Vintage Coffee Group will **meet Wednesday 27Sept**, at RAAFA, Bullcreek at 2.30pm. (we can now visit RAAFA as Terry, Mal and Bruce are now associate members of RAAFA)

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.



Prayerbook and Offering

Rosters: Sunday 24 September Sunday 1 October 2023
Minister: Samuel Annan Samuel Annan

Readers: Lesley Kenny, Pauline Read Rita van Bremen, M Suann

Organist: Deirdre Russell Deirdre Russell

Stewards:J Murdock, T Orr, J Maddocks J Burns, J Maddocks, R RowsonWelcome:J Ford, Lois MurdockWilma Wilson, Florence McRaeMorning Tea:Louise & Eddie RiedelMuriel Barron, Lynne Burking

Audio Visual:Vicki BanksEddie RiedelWorship & Minister:Bruce ReadLesley KennyHoly Communion:Barbara Bennewith

Steward Enquiries: Ed Kenny: Phone 0439 558 036



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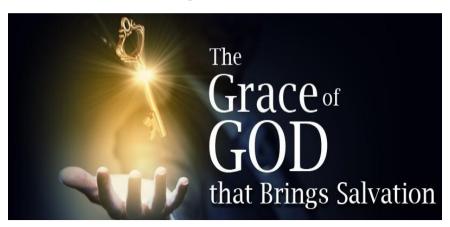
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NEWSLETTER



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 20:1-16)

In the current climate of industrial relations centred on the questions of fair pay and a reduced working hours week, it would be easy to dismiss this parable as being an irresponsible submission.

In chap. 19 Jesus responds to the question, "What must I do to gain eternal life?" and virtually says give away everything that prevents that happening. Jesus then proceeds with the parable of the workers in a vineyard in which everyone gets paid the same pay irrespective of hours worked. Eternal life is not earned, it is freely given to all. Those who activate the offer benefit! That put the cat amongst the pigeons for those listening worked on the proposition that they had to earn eternal life, Jesus says change direction (repent) be open to the unconditional all-inclusive love on offer.

(Harry Lucas 0407 483 926)



Prayers for the week starting 24 September.

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, 24 September, 2023

Ex 16:2-15, Psalm 105:1-6,37-45 Phil 1:21-30, Mathew 20: 1-16

Bible Reading Sunday, 1 October 2023

Ex 17:1-7, Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 Phil 2:1-13. Mathew 21:23-32



Together' Global Ecumenical Prayer Vigil

Trinity Uniting Church in the City invite you to join them as they join,

Together' prayer vigil 5.00pm, Saturday 30 September 2023

Acknowledgement of country

For some time now Willetton has issued at beginning of worship a statement commonly called 'acknowledgement of country' This is a common practice at most Uniting Churches when they gather to meet and worship. Some members have gueried why do we do this and is it necessary to do it all the time. This was discussed fully at the last council meeting. The reason why we do it comes from extensive collaboration between the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress and the Uniting Church National Assembly. 'At the heart of our justice work is the Uniting Church's efforts to bring First and Second Peoples of Australia together and to support First Nations Peoples. primarily through our covenant relationship with the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (UAICC). In 1994 the Uniting Church in Australia (UCA) formally entered into a Covenant with the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress so that together we may contribute to a more just church and nation' (Assembly Website) The Council agreed that doing it all the time possibly lessened the impact of the statement. Thus, it was agreed as a trial, to only make the statement on the first Sunday of the month. Feeback to John Boon please. Note that it is on our website.

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

Thought for the Week



ABC Classic Radio Listeners, - Here's A Fabulous

Opportunity for You. Dr Joseph Nolan, organist at St George's

Cathedral, will be playing at St Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne with the

Melbourne Symphony Orchestra next week. The concert will be recorded for

broadcast by ABC Classic radio. Details of the time of the replay will be

advised soon.