# GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT

**AGM on 26<sup>th</sup> November** The AGM of the Willetton Congregation will be held following worship on **next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November**. At this meeting, the positions of Chairperson and Secretary will be appointed for the following year. **Please note this date in your diary** 

Vintage Coffee Group will meet on Wednesday 22 November 11.00am at Twig and Sparrow Cafe, Woodpecker Ave Willetton /

**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 19 November 2023 Sunday 26 November 2023

Minister: Samuel Annan Samuel Annan

Readers: L Kenny, M Suann R van Bremen, P Read

Organist: Deirdre Russell Deirdre Russell

Stewards:A Barter, J Burns, R RowsonN Loudon, J Maddocks, B ReadWelcome:V O'Reilly, P MullerJ Vermeer, L Waterhouse

Morning Tea: M Barron, L Burking Lois & John Murdock

Audio Visual: Judy Rowson Vicki Banks

Worship & Minister: Diane Boon

Steward Enquiries: Ed Kenny: Phone 0439 558 036

**This Afternoon** – St Michaels, North Beach are presenting a concert labelled "MISH MASH" – led by our friend oboist Sheila Byfield, with other musicians. From 2.30 – 4pm, with afternoon tea after the concert, entry \$15 pp. Deirdre will have a few seats for passengers.

A Christmas Spectacular, 'Cinderella' Ballet, Matinee at 1.30pm Perth Concert Hall, \$28 pp. WA Youth Ballet with adult soloists. See Deirdre tickets.



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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

#### A word on the WORD Matthew 25:1-14-30 Compare Luke 19:11-27

When you read this parable, you would be hard pressed to accept that Jesus would compare the punishment of a tyrant with what the Son of Man would give. Both versions are quite harsh! For us it seems out of all proportion to the failure, through fear, of the third servant. The people of Jesus's day would have no such difficulty. What is the problem? I would suggest that there are many people then and today who don't perform because they fear they would fail. Contemporary understandings of what such fear is all about sees things. so differently. That certainly doesn't mean we can be, or do, whatever we set our minds on. Some of us can, some of us can't, for there are many other factors at work in our lives. It's not a matter of punishment but of God-love that stands alongside and encourages. (Harry Lucas 0407 483 926)



Bible Reading Today, 19 November 2023 Judges 4:1-7, Psalm 123

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Bible Reading Sunday, 26 November 2023 Exodus 34:11-16,20-24, Psalm 100 Ephesians 1:15-23. Mathew 25:31-46



Prayers for the Week starting.
Today, 19 November. Esperance Uniting
Church and Katanning Regional Council
(Katanning, Kojonup and Tambellup Uniting
Churches) & Synod of Queensland

The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter, a play written by local Perth playwriter, actress and director, Jenny Davis set near Albany when the first troops left Australia for WW1. At the Windsor Theatre, Nedlands on Sunday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm. Conc/group price \$40. Ph Deirdre on 9312 0560.



**Everything in Common** 

UnitingWorld's new Everything in Common Gift Catalogue is out now for Christmas! It is filled with gifts that fight poverty through health, education, leadership and income opportunities. There are gifts like goats, pigs, clean water, schoolbooks, kitchen gardens, small business training & disability support and lots more! And a new set of Christmas cards. You can browse the full range of lifechanging gifts for all budgets on the website. info@unitingworld.org.au

## Hymn Festival on Today, 19th November

I would like us to have a celebration of hymns on **Today at 2 00pm**. This will be a day to sing some hymns and listen to the stories and testimonies behind those hymns we have been singing. I am working with Deirdre and Janice to come out with your favourite hymns for this festival. Therefore, please send me your favourite hymn/s to help us select from those hymns for this day.

## **Christmas Bowl Appeal**

This program will begin again this year on the **26**<sup>th</sup> **November** to the **31**<sup>st</sup> **December**. Each Sunday during worship I will have a presentation of the areas of concern as designated by Act for Peace, the Christmas Bowl organisers. Thank you for being a part of this important tradition at Willetton Uniting Church in supporting this appeal and in helping to create, together, a world where uprooted people have a safer place to belong. Envelopes for your giving will be available from the 26th November. (From Diane Boon)

## Church Family Party on 5th December at 5 pm

Next week there will be a list available for you to let us know if you will be attending and also what you may be bringing to share regarding food. This list will help people to decide if they will bring a savoury or sweet dish. If there is anyone willing to help and/or coordinate in the kitchen, please let me know.

If you feel you can do an item – tell a joke, sing a song, recite a poem or anything entertaining, please let me know.

If there is also those who do not wish to drive on this occasion and would like a lift, please let me know. In the same way, if you are willing to give someone a lift, please let me know. Diane Boon

# Carols Night on 17th December at 5 00pm.

Carols will commence in the church firstly at 5.00pm. and followed by games and refreshments at 6.00pm.

#### A sausage sizzle will follow this at approximately 6.30pm

We will have this outside in our car park in front of our church. It will be a celebration of Christmas carols with fun activities set outside and at our hall. We will set out our Table Tennis board outside (who is a good table tennis player among us who can challenge little Sam and Emelia? Well, we will wait to see on the 17<sup>th</sup> of December), some fun activities with some meals to share. Invite friends to come and celebrate with us. I will design a flyer, and we will distribute them to our Willetton community to invite them. Our neighbouring churches will be invited but will not be compelled to do any activities on this day. We would plan and host this event. Please contact John or me if you have any suggestions on how we can celebrate and worship together on these proposed dates.