

#### Lent Event 2024

Lent Event takes place from 14 February to 28 March 2024 UnitingWorld is challenging us to take 40 days of faithful action for God's creation this Lent. In the face of the climate crisis, commit to action - Personal change. Practical support. Political advocacy – for the world we want to see: hopeful, peaceful, life in abundance for all.

There are resources available for individuals and church groups – find out more at www.lentevent.com.au

With Love to the World. The first issue for this year has arrived for subscribers. Subscriptions are now due: \$28 for the full year or \$7 if paving for individual issues. Please see Tony or Gwen Stevens.

Vintage Coffee Group The group will meet on Wednesday. 14 February, 2-30pm at RAFFA, Bullcreek.



## Prayerbook and Offering

**Sunday 11 February Rosters: Rev Toby Keva** Minister: B Dinnie, D Russell Readers: Organist: Janice Barrett

Stewards: J Maddocks, G Rowney, J Burns B Read, R Rowson, N Loudon

Welcome: F McRae, M Hogan Morning Tea: P Muller. C Erskine Audio Visual: Barbara Bennewith

Chris Malan Worship & Minister:

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Sunday 18 February 2024

**Rev Toby Keva** Vicki Banks, M Staffa Deirdre Russell

V O'Reilly, W Wilson M Barron, L Burking

Judy Rowson

## 11 February 2024



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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

#### Bible Reading: Isaiah 40:25-31 & Psalm 147:1-11

We live in a society where youthfulness is often celebrated to the point that it becomes like a 'cult.' That is why the passage that we have from the book of Isaiah offers a refreshing correction to the 'cult' of youth in our society. For the prophet in Isaiah, today's cult of youth is misplaced because the youths themselves will faint and be weary and exhausted (Isaiah 40:30). For the prophet, the ones that endure are not the youths, but those who wait for God (Isaiah 40:31). Indeed, just like for the prophet in Isaiah, what mattered most for the author of Psalm 147 was not strength or speed. He declares that God does not take pleasure in the strength of the horse or in the speed of a runner (Psalm 147:10). The Divine is not keen on those things that are so adored by our world today. "But the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love (Psalm 147:11 NRSV)."

Unlike many people, the Divine is not enamoured by physical strength or speed or, I guess, beauty; the Divine seeks for attitude and character: Things that the older generations have in abundance! What God looks for is not age, but one's heart and commitment.

Rev. Toby Keya



#### Bible Reading Today, 11 February 2024

2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6 2 Corinthians 4:3-6. Mark 9:2-9

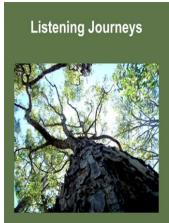
Bible Reading Sunday, 18 February 2024

Geneses 9:8-17, Psalm 25:1-10 1Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15



### Prayer for the week from 11 February 2024

Remote Area Ministry in Tom Price



#### **Listening Journeys**

What will the congregations of the WA Presbytery of the Uniting Church look like in 25 years' time? That was the question that was posed when Thrive Mission Committee presented a report to the 18th Annual Meeting of the Presbytery of WA in June. But more than a question, the report also put forward some proposals that could influence the shape of that journey over the next 25 years.

This article was originally published in the December 2023 edition of Revive magazine.



# Uniting WA Pancake Day at Willetton Uniting Church Hall, on Tuesday, 10.00am, 13 February

2024 Please come and join us. For delicious and fluffy pancakes, happy faces, and the joy of making a difference in the lives of vulnerable Western Australians. Uniting WA invites you to help them fundraise and turn Pancake Day into a fun and impactful way to support the most vulnerable people within our community.



Finding the need, sharing the love A quick look at some key statistics in our community gives us some concerning insights into the reality of life for many people in Australia at the moment. In this article we share three stories highlighting just a few of our many congregations who have found unique ways to support their local communities.

This story was first published in our December 2023 Revive magazine.



Find out more about the process of discipleship and what it means to be a disciple-maker in my workshop: Towards a Culture of Disciple-making". Reply to this email or call me on 0487 124 727 to book a date.