



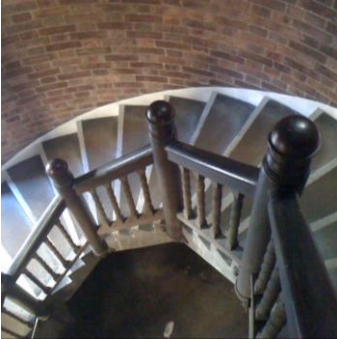
Saint Andrew's Uniting Church



NEWS AND NOTES

Sunday 26 March 2023

WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S UNITING CHURCH



Weekly Services

We seek to share God's unconditional love and acceptance for all people, regardless of age, gender, marital or family status, sexual orientation, disability, race poverty or wealth.

If you have no regular church association, we invite you to come and share in our services and participate in our church's life.

9:30am Sunday Worship Service.

Holy Communion: 1st Sunday of the month.

A pdf of the order of service can be sent to your smart phone or device for Sunday.

Contact admin@saintandrews.org.au to have it sent to you.

Sermons are also available on YouTube – <https://tinyurl.com/SaintAndrewsYouTube>

Readings for the coming week:

26 March 2023 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm Psalm 130

2nd Reading: Romans 8: 6 - 11

Gospel: John 11: 1 - 45



To view the full lectionary readings, please visit: <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu>

Volunteers Needed!



As with any church, volunteers are at the heart of our service. If you would like to volunteer or require further information please contact the office at: admin@saintandrews.org.au

We'd love to hear from people who are interested in serving at Saint Andrew's in any of the following areas:

- Liturgist / Readers
- Flower arrangers
- AV Operator
- Greeters and Ushers
- Door Duty
- Elders for Sunday Services
- Andy's Place Community Meal Servers
- Open Church
- Morning Tea

Check the roster on the following page and see where you can help.... If unsure who to contact speak to Susan.

Thank you to all those who have 'filled the spaces' where required.

+ Wi-Fi Access

ID: StAndrewsGuest

P/W: Church2022!

+ Lives, Links & Legacy website

Read the stories of the lives of 266 members of Saint Andrew's Congregation whose names are listed on the 1914-1918 Honour Boards in the Merrington Memorial Peace Chapel:

<http://heritage.saintandrews.org.au/>

+ Offering

If you would like to use direct debit for your offering please use the details below:

Account Name:
UCA St Andrew's Uniting Church

BSB: 334040 (St George)

Account # 55 38 776 38



Bits and Pieces

March 2023

What's happening	Event	When	Time
Church Services	Sunday Service	Every Sunday	9:30am
Church Services Holy Communion	Sunday Service	Every 1 st Sunday of the month	9:30am
	LGBTQIA+ Service	Cancelled until further notice	
Andy's Place Community Meals	Weekly meal	Every Saturday	11:30am
Open Church	For visitors	Every Friday (excluding public holidays)	11am – 2pm
Social Justice Table	Raising funds for special causes	Once a month on Sunday	After service
Andy's Place Drop-In Centre	Drop-in	Thursday Morning	8 – 12 noon

Deadline for News & Notes – Tuesday COB

If you would like to have something included in the weekly News & Notes please email it to Rosie by no later than close of business (COB) on Tuesday the week prior.

Email details to: admin@saintandrews.org.au

NEWS & NOTES are now online!

Go to <https://www.saintandrews.org.au/news-notes>

+Bits and Pieces

Stand up Speak out



Uluru Statement from the Heart

Listen to Professor Megan Davis, a member of the Referendum Council, as she reads out the Uluru Statement from the Heart for the first time in history on the floor of the First Nations Constitutional Convention. [Click here](#) to listen and watch.

International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Tuesday, March 21, is the United Nations International Day for Eliminating Racial Discrimination (IDERD). It is also the beginning of Harmony Week in Australia. The 2023 theme of International Day focuses on the urgency of combatting racism and racial discrimination.

Prayer Service Template

Rev Dr Paul Goh from the Synod of Australia and Panel Member of the Being a Multicultural Church Circle has offered a template to help you hold a prayer service to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. [Download the PowerPoint here.](#)

Australian Human Rights Commission: Racism. It Stops With Me

The campaign invites us to ask ourselves important questions about the role of racism in shaping society, the way we see ourselves and how we interact with one another. **To explore these questions and find more information, [click here.](#)**

The United Nations: Be a human rights champion!

Racism, xenophobia and intolerance are problems prevalent in all societies. However, there are many ways you can take action. [Join us in fighting racism!](#)



Church Office Open Days:

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

9am to 2pm.

Telephone Number: (07) 3108 4644

5 Administration Officer: Rosie Catt



Bits and Pieces continued

Children's Worship Bulletins

Activity sheets based on the lectionary are now available each week so please ask the door duty officer if you need one.

The Bulletins are available in two age groups 3+ years and 7+ years.

Some online activities are also available at – games.childrensbulletins.com - if you want to share them at home.

Secret codes

3+: NNXE47 7+: JRT933



Prayers for the People

In the World Council of Churches Prayer Cycle we pray for [Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia](#)

• Ongoing prayers for the people of Turkiye and Syria.

Please pray for the earthquake victims of Ecuador, Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Please pray for the victims of Famine and drought in Africa

The opportunity to pray for one another is a gift. You are invited to offer that gift to others. If you have a situation, a prayer request or someone you know needs/wants prayer please let us know. It can be first name only, no details are necessary and always get permission. Let us each take the opportunity to share the gift of prayer and uphold one another in love. Please contact Rosie at admin@saintandrews.org.au or Susan at minister@saintandrews.org.au to have them included here.

Community Outreach

Andy's Place Community Meal.

We need your help. The Saint Andrew's (Andy's Place) Community Meal serves over 70 guests each and every week

with a dine-in meal.

If you are able to help with cooking, serving or greeting or just want to know more about

what we do. Have a chat to Susan or Rex or email the Co-Ordinator, Jennet Niven, at:

communitymeal@saintandrews.org.au

Help the Environment and Recycle your containers. No C10161825

Bring approved containers to church and leave them in the red bin in the kitchen area or deposit your containers at a recycle depot and quote the Saint Andrew's scheme No C10161825 the cash refund goes directly to our account for the Community Meal. Please talk to Beth Brand or Rex Niven if you need more information.

+Bits and Pieces continued



[Our Father in heaven - Common Grace](#)

Lenten Reflections on The Lord's Prayer

Changing the Conversation

Multicultural Australia, in partnership with the Queensland Performing Arts Centre, is excited to host **Changing the Conversation: Uluru Statement from the Heart**, the first of a series of thought-provoking discussions exploring critical issues in our increasingly multicultural society.

Bringing together thought leaders from academia, government, business, and the community to engage in robust discussions about multiculturalism in the Australian context; the series explores issues of who and where we are as a nation and what we need to do to create a society that better reflects and cares for all its people. For more info about the event, facilitators, and panellists, click [here](#).

Changing the Conversation: Uluru Statement from the Heart

- Tuesday, March 28, 6.30 pm - 8 pm
- QPAC Concert Hall, South Brisbane



UCA Qld have created a [Lent Website](#) for you to bookmark.

There is also a link that you can use to enter your email and sign up for Lent materials and resources.

[Click here to sign up for Lent!](#)



The next Con Spirito Lunchtime Concert
will be on this Friday
24 March 2023 at 12:30pm.
Soprano Eva-Marie Perissinotto will
present “Spiritual Songs” including:
Antonin Dvorak’s “Biblical Songs”, John
Carter’s “Cantata” and some
arrangements of spirituals by H.T.
Burleigh.
Eva will be accompanied on piano by
Alex Ranieri.



+ Andy's Place Shop...



WINTER: Once this current heatwave passes, then our community meal guests will be looking forward to replacing their summer clothes with warmer items. We have some set aside from last year but are going to need more for this year. Unlike us, many of our guests have nowhere to store off season clothing, so have no choice other than to abandon them and start again.

Knitters- time to get out the 8ply yarn in subdued colours and the needles to produce beanies, scarves and gloves/mittens. A perusal of items in K-Mart finds beanies and fingerless gloves under \$5 so that is an option to purchasing yarn, even though knitting is supposed to keep arthritic fingers supple.

Blankets/rugs: Because of their light weight, fleece blankets and rugs have been popular with our guests. These are warm and cosy and available in the discount department stores for around \$5, depending on size. Other blankets are also welcome, especially for those living in boarding houses.

Larger items can be left, LABELLED CM or ANDY'S PLACE, in the Committee Room off the church foyer, handed in to Rosie Wednesday to Friday, or left at the door of the May Walker room. As usual, toiletries into the + Plus One Box on the table in the foyer.

Thank you to all for your help. Each Saturday the 'shop' table is set up with toiletries and the clothing racks filled as we are able. Most days there is very little left and it all has to be replenished for the next Saturday.



+ Plus One
List ... items
still needed



COMMUNITY MEAL: The numbers of guests attending fluctuate from week to week, but are averaging 84 per week. Hot and cold drinks are provided, plus a two- course meal of meat/fish and vegetables, along with a pudding/dessert to follow. Fruit, when available is distributed. Leftovers are offered and some meals are set aside and frozen. Rosie has callers asking for a meal or food, on the days when the church office is open.

The proscribed changes with Foodbank ordering having gone online, and the inevitable glitches, has made sourcing food items somewhat unreliable. We are also having to purchase more of the ingredients needed to provide the meals.

Please if you are able: -

Deodorant

Toothpaste

Toothbrushes

Shampoo

Note- if it is easier for you to donate rather than purchase items, the new BSB details are:

St George Bank

BSB: 114879

A/C: 497923539 noted as Andy's Shop.

Here's how to contribute to the Social Justice Table, Community Meal, Offering or Parking using direct debit:

Saint Andrew's Church Account:

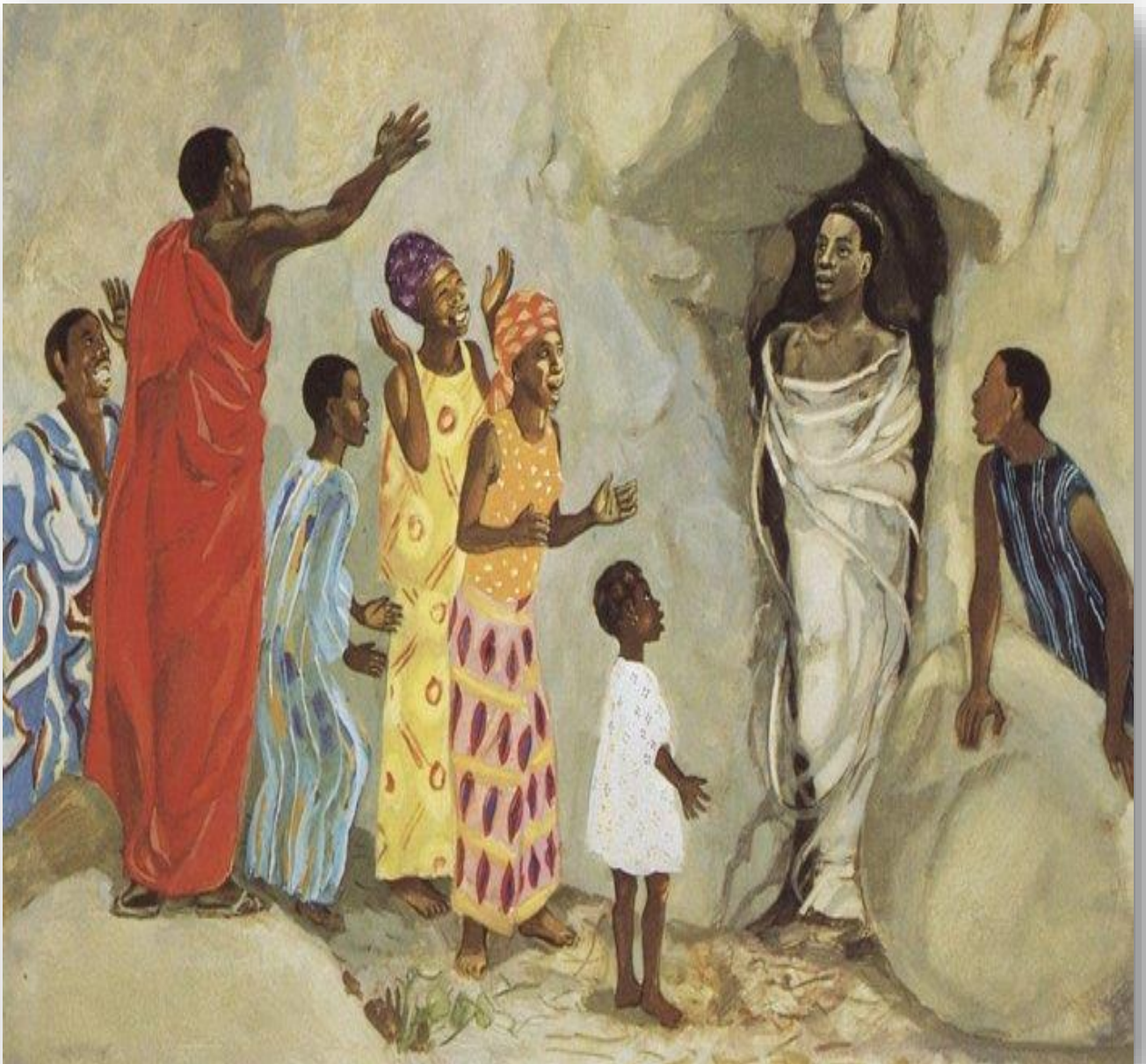
- UCA St Andrew's Uniting Church
- BSB 334040
- Account number 553877638

IMPORTANT: When making a direct debit donation ensure you use a REFERENCE as below eg :

- Social Justice Table
- 'Park-Name' (Parking+your name)
- OFF-Name (Offering-your name)

Art in the Christian Tradition

Sunday – 26 March 2023 – Lectionary Link



Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life

Jesus Mafa

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<https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=48269>

Prayers of the People

God of all consolation and
compassion,
your Son comforted the
grieving sisters, Martha and
Mary;
your breath alone brings life
to dry bones and weary souls.
Pour out your Spirit upon us,
that we may face despair and
death
with the hope of resurrection
and faith in the One
who called Lazarus forth from
the grave. Amen.



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Office Administrator:	Ms Rosie Catt	07 3108 4644 (O)

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