



# NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 1 OCTOBER 2023 - PENTECOST 18

**Today is World Communion Sunday.**



Although not recognized by all Christian traditions, on this day, many Christians recognize the global diversity and unity of the

Church through the sacred gathering at the “Lord’s Table,” “Mass,” “Eucharist,” “Last Supper,” or “Communion.”

Today, we live in a world where the biblical, theological, spiritual, and religious implications of World Communion Sunday are, perhaps, more necessary than ever before!

Unfortunately, the ritual observance of the final meal Jesus shared with his disciples on the night when he would be betrayed create as much division as unity.

Questions of who can, or cannot, receive, arguments over the nature of the bread and cup, debates over the difference between wine and grape juice, health concerns over common cups, and theological disagreements over the actual meaning of the event or practice have dominated Christian thought for the entirety of the Christian faith.

At its heart, World Communion Sunday is a faithful effort to recognize that while Christians disagree over meaning, method, and means, the fundamental focus of Communion is that Christians are united in Christ.

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## OUR CHURCH LIFE



*A warm welcome to visitors worshipping with us today. We invite you to join us in the Hall after the service for Morning Tea and a time of fellowship.*

**SUNDAY 1 OCTOBER**  
**PENTECOST 18**  
 9:30 Communion Service  
 Rev Brian Carey

**SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER**  
**PENTECOST 19**  
 9:30 Family Service  
 Rev Brian Carey

Genesis 14:18-20 P.14  
 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 P.215  
 Mark 14:22-26 P.67  
 Luke 22:14-22 P.109  
 Matthew 26:26-29 P.39

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9,12-20 P.76  
 Psalm 19 P.547  
 Philippians 3:4b-14 P.249  
 Matthew 21:33-46 P.31

### HYMNS SUNDAY 1 OCTOBER

TiS 495	Father we give you thanks, who planted
TiS 507	Come. Spirit blest, your influence shed
TiS 536	An upper room did our Lord prepare
TiS 523	Here, Lord we take the broken bread
TiS 714	Eat this bread, drink this cup
TiS 545	Shout for joy!

	SUNDAY 1 OCTOBER	SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER
WELCOMER	Carol Brearley	VACANT
DOOR STEWARDS	Bob Sumner	VACANT
ELDER	Rex Harrison	VACANT
BIBLE READER	Anne Calverley	Helen Bloomfield
FLOWERS	Marie Yuncken	Debbie Thornton
MORNING TEA	Marg Smithson Et al	Beth & John McKechnie
MUSIC	Glen Coughlan Joseph Lunardi Michelle Komatsu	Anne van Drunen Joseph Lunardi
MULTIMEDIA	Rhondda Tilbrook	Richard Smith

## OUR CHURCH LIFE

### Prayers

This week we pray for the Armadale–Kelmscott, Byford/Mundijong and Gosnells Uniting Churches; and the Tapu Niue Faith Community Kiribati Uniting Church

Our local prayers will be for the Ladies Bookclub and KYB (Know your Bible).

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World Communion Sunday offers individual worshippers and congregations a distinctive opportunity to experience Holy Communion in the context of the global community of faith.

That special day became a time when Christians in every culture could together break the bread and pour the cup to remember and affirm Christ as the head of the church.

On that day, there was room for everyone at the table, each remembering that all were part of one whole body of believers.

This is how we are remembering the unity given by Christ through our sacramental life in the Uniting Church in Australia. Our worship today takes us on a journey in understanding the different stories in the Biblical texts about the Eucharist and through hymns that come from different traditions.

We are welcomed at the Table and invited by our hospitable God to share love and justice expressing the grace of Christ in all our lives

*Brian Carey*

**Sunday Services at All Saints are Live Streamed**  
and may be viewed via YouTube at 9:30am each Sunday.

If you attend our services and would prefer not to be filmed,  
please avoid the front four rows of pews. Thank you

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### KYB (KNOW YOUR BIBLE)

**Thursdays - 9.45-11.30am at**

**“All Saints” Uniting Church, Floreat**

**Ladies** - are you interested in learning more about the Bible and how to apply this knowledge in your own life and the life of our Church? The KYB Group provides an opportunity to learn more about our faith and hope through biblical teaching, discussing issues of the day and also sharing in fellowship and friendship, which is so important in building up the community in which we live. The studies are prepared by Christian Women Communicating International (CWCI) - an ecumenical movement.

Contact Sylvia Ryan (9387 4216) or Val Chew (0411 478 833) if you would like more information.



**Term 4 studies are from the book of “Ruth” and commence on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October with Coffee and Introduction to the Study - all ladies welcome.**

13 ladies have met during the year with 8/11 meeting each week - different people each week depending on other activities in their lives - with good discussions and learning and much laughter adding to the fellowship. Our studies during the year have been: Term 1 -

“Revelation”, Term 2 - “1-2 Thessalonians” and Term 3 “Christ in the Old Testament”. Although some of us have studied some books before in our more than 30 years, there is always something new for us to learn and others are just beginning. Our diverse backgrounds enable us to enjoy the sharing of insights and experiences as well as building up our faith and praying together.

## Your retiring offering for October 2023 will go to Frontier Services



Helping Bush Chaplains  
and Outback Links  
volunteers to assist remote  
Australians when they need  
it most.

<https://frontierservices.org/>

## Update on Containers for Change.

Floreat Unting Church, Creative Living Centre  
Containers for Change ID: 10313752



Thank you  
everyone for your  
continued  
support.

*Claire and Richard Smith*

### Getting to Know You

**Rev Reuben Edmonds** was born in Albany in Western Australia. Both parents are Australian, while his maternal grandparents came out to Australia from Yorkshire as part of the ten-pound migration program in



1961. His paternal family came out to Australia from England in 1923 and were part of a group settlement in Tingledale. The family property is just behind the Valley of the Giants, contains 100 acres of native forest, and is still in Edmonds hands with Reuben's father currently living on the property. **Reuben** has one sister, a five-year-old niece and a 2-year-old nephew.

After moving to Perth at the age of six, **Reuben** grew up in Lesmurdie and Kalamunda, eventually attending Carmel Seventh-Day Adventist College. The college also houses the Sanitarium factory and the smell of cooking Weet-Bix often wafted throughout the school grounds in the afternoon. A love of science led **Reuben** to further education and he began a degree in Chemical Engineering at Curtin University. On completion of his studies, he began working as an engineer but quickly found his passions lay elsewhere. After a short stint trying a PhD, **Reuben** completed his post-graduate diploma in education and began a career as a high school science and maths teacher. Reuben taught at Wesley College, St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls, Aquinas College, and Scotch College. **Reuben** left his position at Scotch to take up the call to ordained ministry and began formation in 2020.

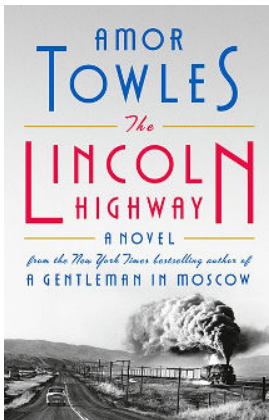
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**Reuben** joined the Uniting Church after encountering its theology through Wesley College and its chaplain Rev Nalin Perara. He was a member of Wesley Church in the city and then moved to Star St Uniting Church.

In 2020, **Reuben** began his formation to become a Minister of the Word and travelled to Melbourne to complete a Bachelor of Theology at Pilgrim Theological College at the University of Divinity. During his summer breaks, Reuben returned to WA to complete his field education including Clinical Pastoral Education at Royal Perth Hospital and placements at Noranda Uniting Church and Margaret River Uniting Church. He was ordained on 30 September 2023 and is joining All Saints Floreat Uniting Church as our new minister. His first Service at All Saints will be 22nd October 2023.

### Ladies Bookclub Review

#### The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles



Amor Towles' latest book spans just ten days in the lives of the three 18 year old protagonists. It is a journey, but more about boys becoming men and trying to find their place in a post world war II society in 1954.

Emmett is trying to start a new life with eight year old brother Billy in California after his father dies and he is released from juvenile detention. However, fellow inmates Duchess and Woolly turn up and the boys end up in New York involved in several adventurous and ultimately fateful escapades. Although long and told from many perspectives, it is worth reading this well written novel.



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### THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP CHRISTMAS GIFT BAG APPEAL 2023 SUPPORTING UNITING AID.

**FROM SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER GIFT BAGS WILL  
BE AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER AND OFFICE**

Please take a bag and add your choice of any Christmas festive treat - shortbread biscuits, chocolates, savoury party mix, single serve Christmas pud/cake or anything with a Christmas theme. All items **MUST** be commercially packaged with a recent use by date.

It is OK to add a Christmas Cracker or small festive item. You may decorate your bag if you wish. Ribbon will be available with bags. The bag is small so just remember to pick appropriately sized items.

No toiletry items this year please!

**Thank you for your friendship group support  
Putting a smile on faces at Christmas  
(PLEASE RETURN BAGS TO CHURCH OFFICE BY  
26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER)**

**Any questions contact Amanda Brown - 0434 260 117**



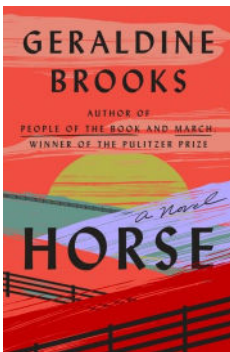
**All Members and Friends are invited to the  
Spring and New  
Beginnings**

**Afternoon Tea and Variety Show  
Saturday, 14 October—2:00pm SHARP!!**

Our musicians are practising and the food is all organised,  
Come to a free afternoon of entertainment, food and fun.  
**starting at 2:00pm sharp!!**

Make sure you are early,  
seated and ready to participate in plenty of time.

**For catering purposes, please let us know  
you are coming by signing the list in the  
foyer.**



**Ladies Bookclub**

Ladies Bookclub will be  
discussing *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks on  
Monday 9th October  
at 7.45 pm at Rhondda's home

## CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

**To all who feel creative**

**A card making session will  
be held on 7 October 2023**

**9:30am to 12:30pm**

**At Floreat Uniting Church,  
in the Page Room**

Please come around the back.  
Bring your favorite scissors, glue,  
small plate to share but most of all  
your company and your  
creative hands



**Do you have an article, story,  
recipe or other item that may  
be of interest to the Church  
community?**

If so, we would be very  
interested in considering it for  
publication in future editions  
of the News & Notes.

Please submit your item to  
Marika Leonard,  
Office Administrator  
at  
[floreatuc2@westnet.com.au](mailto:floreatuc2@westnet.com.au)

Thank you

**Perkins**

**Christmas cakes, mince pies  
and Christmas puddings**

are all on sale again this year with  
proceeds going to Harry Perkins Institute  
of Medical Research.

The order form is in the foyer.

Please contact Marie Yuncken on 0410 061 279 with any queries.

**ORDERS MUST BE IN BY MID NOVEMBER.**

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### The 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment and the Good Sammy Bins



As I was pondering the future of All Saints Floreat UC's Good Sammy bins, I was struck by the relevance of the 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment that "You shall not steal" (Exodus 20:15) which Sister Joan Chittister, O.S.B. calls the "Law of Sharing": <sup>1</sup>

"The Bible forbids waste as certainly as it commands charity. "You must not destroy trees," Deuteronomy commands (Deut. 20:19).

Nothing that is of use to anyone is ever to be destroyed and must be put to use for those who need it. To waste food, to give in to conspicuous consumption by throwing away something that still has value in order to simply get a new one, is stealing from those who have need of such things but can't possibly afford to get them for themselves".

All Saints Floreat Uniting Church's Good Sammy's Bin are often, being filled to overflowing and are occasionally raided by opportunists upsetting a neighbour. They were placed amidst controversy in 2006 at the suggestion of a group of young members of All Saints as an outcome of their confirmation, by Rev David Tressler. Good Samaritan Industries is a proud agency of the Uniting Church who use recycling to provide employment for disabled people and a pathway to open employment.

<sup>1</sup> Joan Chittister, 2006, The Ten Commandments – The Laws of the Heart. p89.

*Richard Smith*

*For information on Baptism, Confirmation or Church  
Membership, please contact The Church Office  
Phone: 9387 6371*

## Good Grief

A seminar on grief and loss  
with Dr David Michie

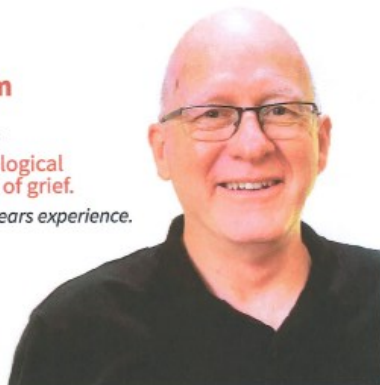
**St Edmund's Anglican Church Hall**  
**Saturday 14 October 2:30pm-4:30pm**

Grief and loss come to us all.

In this seminar David Michie will bring both psychological  
and Christian resources to bear on the experiences of grief.

*David is a qualified counsellor and social worker with 36 years experience.*

RSVP to [office@stedmunds.org.au](mailto:office@stedmunds.org.au) or 9387 2287



## Desk for Sale



Very Good Condition

~~\$200~~ **\$175** or near offer

180cms x 100cms

73cms high

*Contact Marie Yuncken*



## Preserves for Sale

A beautiful array of jams and marmalade are for sale and can be  
found on top of the cupboard in the foyer. Prices as marked.

Please place cash for any purchases in the slot on the top right of the  
cupboard. Thank you.