



NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 5 MAY 2024 - EASTER 6

Pentecost Flames



Pentecost is a Sunday in the liturgical calendar when we mark the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples and celebrate the birth of the Christian Church. As such it is a celebration not just of our church but how we are connected to the wider church and our community.

This year at All Saints we are going to celebrate this day by creating flames (see picture). During the week leading

up to Pentecost the many groups who comes to All Saints will be invited to put their names on flames and stick them up around the church. On Pentecost those at the service will be invited to do the same. By the end of the service our church will be adorned with flames and the names of people in our community as we are reminded of how the Holy Spirit works through all of us.

However, we need your help. There are around 270 flames that need to be cut out of red and orange paper. So, during morning tea on Sunday the 5th and 12th there will be a couple of tables set up in the hall for you to help cut out the flames while enjoying morning tea and fellowship.

The more help the better!

I look forward to seeing flames representing our wider community all over our church by the time we get to Pentecost.

Rev Reuben

OUR CHURCH LIFE

To contact Rev Reuben Edmonds, Minister of All Saints Floreat Uniting Church, please email: minister@allsaintsfloreat.com.au or telephone: 0404 935 167.

SUNDAY 5 MAY Easter 6 9:30am Communion Service Rev Reuben Edmonds		SUNDAY 12 MAY Ascension Day 9:30am Family Service Rev Reuben Edmonds	
Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17 *Included in Service	P.162 P.597 P.306 P.138	Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 or 93 Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 24:44-53	P.148 P.565/595 P.240 P.113
HYMNS SUNDAY 5 MAY			
TiS 181	Come O God of All the Earth		
TiS 693	Come As You Are		
SoG 821	All Are Welcome		
TiS 607	Make Me a Channel		
TiS 699	A New Commandment		
	SUNDAY 5 MAY	SUNDAY 12 MAY	
Welcomer		Carol Brearley	
Door Steward	Beth McKechnie	Beth McKechnie	
Church Council	Anne van Drunen		
Bible Reader	Helen Bloomfield	Margaret Smithson	
Flowers	Margaret Oliver	Linda Harris	
Morning Tea	Marie Yuncken	Carol Brearley Marg Smithson	
Music	Geoff Hadley - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Anne van Drunen - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	
Multimedia	James Millar	Michael van Drunen	
Media Clicker	Lillian Hadley	Marie Yuncken	

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Prayers

This week we pray for Pastoral Relations Committee and Thrive Mission Committee. Presbytery of WA Chairperson, Alison Xamon and the Presbytery of WA Secretary. Our local prayers will be for the KIT Group & Carers.

All Saints Floreat UC Events This Week

Sunday, 5 May	Pentacost Flame Cutting	10:30am - Church Hall (During Morning Tea)
Monday, 6 May	Lectionary Bible Study	2:00pm - Page Room
Wednesday, 8 May	Open House Playgroup	9:30am - Page & Buttfield Rooms
Wednesday, 8 May	Hands On Flower Workshop	2:00pm Church Hall
Thursday, 9 May	KYB	9:45am - Creche
Thursday, 9 May	Worship Committee	2:00pm - Page Room

Ladies Bookclub

Will meet at Rhondda's home on
Monday 13th May at 7.45 pm.

The book for May is *The Pearl Thief*
by Fiona McIntosh



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

Getting to Know You
SURAMYA (SUE) and BRUCE KENNEDY



Suramya was born and raised in Colombo, Sri Lanka. When she started school at Methodist (Ladies) College in Colombo she was fluent in Sinhalese and English, as her mother (a medical doctor) spoke to her in English and her father

(a film director and businessman) in Sinhalese. **Suramya's** great-grandfather built the first Methodist church in his hometown. After completing her degree **Suramya** taught English language and literature in a Buddhist girls' school, where she was the only Christian! She spent several years in Michigan USA, where her then husband, Nicholas, completed his PhD. Following their return to Sri Lanka they migrated to Canberra in 1975, where she joined the Commonwealth Public Service. They moved to Adelaide in 1992, when Nicholas was appointed professor at the University of Adelaide and **Suramya** worked at a large public library – a job she really loved! **Suramya** attended the Uniting Church in Modbury, where she taught English to migrant women. She enjoys book discussion and film discussion groups, as well as travel. Her son Migara, a musician, lives in Adelaide.

Bruce was born and raised in Perth. His education was in chemistry (BSc/ PhD) in Perth and Canada. After four years in England, he returned to Australia initially to Newcastle and then Perth.

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While at the WA Environmental Protection Authority he was appointed Executive Director of the National Environment Protection Council based in Adelaide. This inter-governmental agency developed national standards for environmental protection and monitored their implementation by member governments. He also chaired various national committees covering issues such as vehicle emissions standards. After 14 years at NEPC he joined a Cooperative Research Centre, overseeing the development of national guidance for cleaning up contaminated land and groundwater. He is interested in history.

Suramya and **Bruce** met and married in Adelaide. They were active members of the Australia Sri Lanka Association, both serving as president. After more than 20 years in Adelaide they moved to Perth in 2018 to be with **Bruce's** daughters, Tania, Alysia and Selena, and their seven grandchildren. After settling in Perth they attended several Uniting churches - while all were welcoming, All Saints was particularly so, and they continue to enjoy the fellowship offered by the congregation.



Invitation

Uniting Church in Australia

Birthday Dinner

Saturday 22 June 2024

Arrive at 4:00pm for 4:30pm Dinner at All Saints Floreat UC

You are invited to join us for this special dinner to celebrate the 47th birthday of the Uniting Church in Australia.

\$35.00 per head

Please contact Deborah Marshall for more details.

CHURCH NEWS & INFORMATION

Do You Have a Backpack You No Longer Use?

Hello Church Friends.

Alison and I (Babs) from Uniting Aid are requesting your assistance with adult “**BACKPACKS**”.

If you have any lying around at home please could you leave them at the church office. We have a huge increase in **HOMELESS** clients and a **BACKPACK** is ideal for them to safely carry some belonging that we give them. They are often robbed and items stolen off them so this is the most secure bag we can give them. Thank you in advance.

Kind regards.

Babs Tuzee



Hands-On Floral Workshop *8 May 2024 - 2:00pm - Church Hall* *No Experience Necessary*



On May 8th at 2.00 we are fortunate to have Linda Harris to run a hands-on workshop on ‘doing’ flowers. She is a florist with loads of experience in church floral art and running workshops. She will talk about what vases to use, proportions and size of arrangements, using foliage, choosing flowers and colours of flowers. We will all have a chance to work with her.

This will be a fun afternoon for everyone in the church hall, so please RSVP and come along. We need to know how many places to set up so ***please place your name on the sign-up sheet which is on the Hall door*** or contact Marie Yuncken (0410 061 279) or Marika in the church office (08 6185 1116) or email office@allsaintsfloreat.com.au. Thank you.

Sarah Pearce's fundraiser for Chain of Hope



Sarah completed the Banjul Half Marathon last Sunday in 2 hours 45 minutes... and in a temperature of 37 degrees! She vows "Never again"! You may remember that her target was to raise GBP5,000 (just over AUD10,000), sufficient to sponsor one child for heart surgery. The response from donors here, in Britain, Ireland and South Africa was so enthusiastic that she decided to raise her target to GBP10,000 and so to sponsor two children. As of now, she has raised GBP9,465.



She has asked me to thank all in the church community who donated to her cause. I am sure that when she returns to Perth (in June or July) she will be along one Sunday to thank you all once more.

In case anybody would like to help her with the remaining GBP535, I am repeating the web address of the project, as follows:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/sarah-pearce-halfforhearts>

Roy Pearce

Recycling

Thank you to everyone who is recycling plastic lids.

Metal lids can also be brought to the church for recycling. These metal lids need to be separated from the plastic lids and placed in the second recycling drawer.

Rhonda Tilbrook

Living the Questions Studies
Session 4. Stories of Creation



Mon May 6th 9.30am Coffee and chat,
Study 10:00am -11.30am.

Leader Richard Smith

Focus: How one perceives the creation stories is not only critical to the way one looks at the Bible, but how one understands the purpose of creation, the essence of human nature, and the attitude one takes toward the environment in which we live, breath and have our being.

The ancient Hebrews who composed Genesis were brilliant storytellers – and although their writings have for generations been thought to explain what happened historically, their stories are much deeper and richer when they are understood metaphorically as wrestling with the challenges of human life.

When we delve into these ancient stories, we catch a glimpse of the answer to the eternal question, “What’s the meaning of life?” We are reminded that we are made in the image of the Divine – endowed to be inspired by a sense of awe and wonder at the heavens above and our moral consciousness within.

Come join us for a relaxed morning of discussion.

Richard Smith

All Saints Singalong

Next Meeting: Thursday, 16 May 2024

2:00pm - 4:00pm

Come and sing your favourite tunes

No auditions, No need to read music.