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NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 14 JULY 2024 - AFTER PENTECOST 8

Wesleyan Quadrilateral: Tradition



At Pentecost I talked about the Wesley quadrilateral as a way of describing the four sources of theology or faith.

According to a review of Wesley's work by Albert Outler, the sources are scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. Over this month I want to spend a little more time on each.

While Wesley believed, first of all, that the living core of the Christian faith was revealed in "scripture" as the sole foundational source, he also believed that doctrine needed to be in keeping with Christian orthodox "tradition."

Tradition or church teaching is most prominently a source of theology in the Orthodox and Catholic churches. Many Catholic students will experience lessons on church catechism (teaching) before or alongside that of the Bible. Our church traditions over years led to important doctrines being developed, like our understanding of God as the Trinity.

However, if church tradition is lifted so high that it is considered infallible then it can prevent growth of new doctrines or the critical revision of old doctrines by new modern perspectives. For example, many people, including the royal commission, has called on the Catholic church to change its tradition surrounding the celibacy of priests.

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

SUNDAY 14 July After Pentecost 8 9:30am Family Service Rev Brian Carey	Sunday 21 July After Pentecost 9 9:30am Family Service Rev Brian Carey
* 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 P.304 Psalm 24 P.549 Ephesians 1:3-14 P.240 * Mark 6:14-29 P.53 * Included in Service	2 Samuel 7:1-14 P.305 Psalm 89:20-37 P.592 Ephesians 1:11-22 P.240 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 P.53

HYMNS SUNDAY 14 JULY

Tis 220	This, This is the God We Adore
Overhead	In Halls of Wealth and Power
TiS 468	We Are Your People
TiS 650	Brother, Sister Let Me Serve You
TiS 242	Lord of the Dance

	SUNDAY 14 JULY	SUNDAY 21 JULY
Welcomer	Lee-Anne Burnett	Dorothy Carey
Door Steward	Helen Bloomfield	Margaret Smithson
Church Council	Jill Heaney	
Bible Reader	Carmen Savundra	Margaret Smithson
Flowers	Rachel Brayshaw	Rachel Brayshaw
Morning Tea	Carol Brearley Pam Burgess	Beth & John McKechnie
Music	Geoff Hadley - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin	Felicity Taylor - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin
Multimedia	Richard Smith	Rhondda Tilbrook
Media Clicker	Lillian Hadley	

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Prayers

From The WA Synod: East Avon Group (Cunderdin/Meckering and Quairading Uniting Churches). Assembly Circle of Interest: Growing in Faith; 17th Assembly of the Uniting Church in Australia

Our local prayers will be for: Progressive Christian Network.

Wesleyan Quadrilateral: Tradition cont...

As the UCA, we also hold the history of church tradition in our Basis of Union. It speaks of the importance of the early church creeds, the reformation witnesses and the subsequent confessions and leaves open the possibility of the church affirming continuing witnesses. Three statements are coming before the 2024 Assembly to be considered as continuing witnesses.

What role does tradition take part in your faith and beliefs?

Rev Reuben

Rev Reuben Away

Rev Reuben will be attending the Uniting Church Assembly Meeting in Sydney and will be away from Monday 8 July to Sunday 28 July inclusive. **There will be no Lectionary Bible Study during this time.**

Offerings may be made to the church via bank transfer to:

Account Name: Uniting Church in Australia - Parish of Floreat
BSB: 036 063. Account Number: 122093

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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Vale Ian Brown

Ian Brown, a member of our congregation, died peacefully on Tuesday, 9 July 2024.

We send our sympathy and prayers to Amanda and all of the Brown family.



Sox for Sunday *Uniting WA Winter Appeal 2024* *Appeal for New Warm Socks*

Our winter is well and truly here and we have all started wearing our warmer clothes to keep comfortable and safe from the harsh weather.



We have had a long association with Tranby and we know there is a huge need from Tranby for support and a desperate need for ***NEW WARM SOCKS*** for both men and women. Can you help?

Please bring your donation of new socks with you on Sunday, 7 or 14 July 2024.

Our Retiring Offering on 14 July will be for Uniting WA and Uniting WA Co-CEO, Michael Chester and Head of Community, Rhys Powell will join our service on that day.

Your donations will make a significant difference to those in need. Thank you

Robin and Doug Patterson

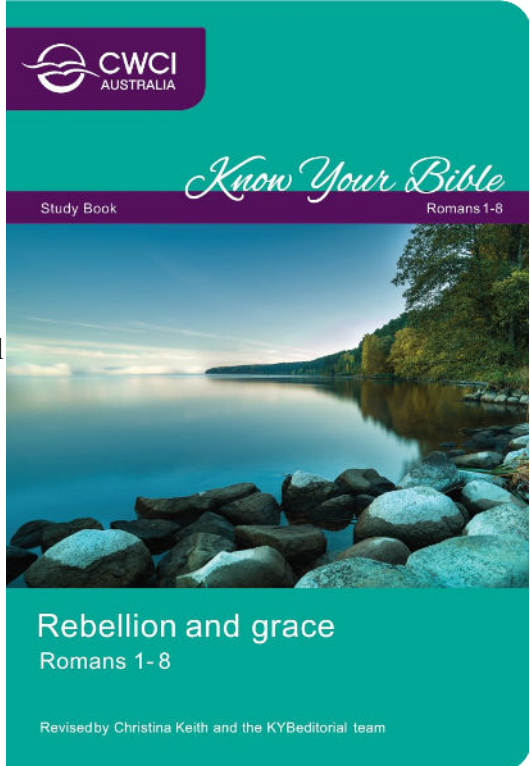
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KYB (KNOW YOUR BIBLE) - ***Thursdays - 9.45-11.30 am*** ***(at “All Saints” Uniting Church)***

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, discuss issues of the day and also share 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.**

**Please note Studies for Term 3, 2024 commence on
Thursday 18th July at 9.45am in the Creche.**

**We will give out the books for the new study – “Rebellion and Grace – Romans
1-8” - with Coffee and Introduction to the Study – all ladies welcome.**

Some thoughts about scripture that challenge our thoughts and understanding from the stories of David and John the Baptist

Dancing and celebrating the arrival of the Ark in the tent gives us an insight into the nature of King David's that floats above the conflicts with Saul and also Michal

Nevertheless, the focus is on the presence of this God with his people. The presence of the ark in Jerusalem no doubt undergirded David's rise to power but we should not lose sight of at least one thing about the ark in this story. The ark remains, above all, a portable object lodged in a dwelling that was meant to be portable, a tent. It would not be until Solomon's time that a permanent structure would be built to house it and take over the ark's role as the symbol of divine presence.

In these early years of the monarchy, the portability of the ark and tent would always stand as an affront to any, including the king, who would try to usurp the perceived power of the ark for their own ends.

In other words, it challenged all who in various ways would seek to secure divine presence and blessing to further personal goals.

Neither Israel nor its leaders were to ever have God in their pocket.

We are invited to focus on ways in which, even without realizing it, we can seek to exploit the presence of God in our midst.

Now for John the Baptist who has been beheaded.

The story of John's murder is dreadful throughout.

Mark does not disclose how Jesus responds to John's beheading, but it requires little effort to imagine.

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Presumably, John's demise gives Jesus a glimpse into his own possible future; this is the fate of too many prophetic truth-tellers. John prepares the way of the Lord in death as well as in life (1:3).



The final detail about John's disciples retrieving his corpse and giving it an honourable burial. Consider the courage required to approach Herod Antipas's people and request the body, thereby declaring allegiance to John and the movement he led. It's not the same thing by any stretch, but I'm reminded of the thousands who bravely showed up in March 2024 to pay their

respects outside the church and cemetery in Moscow where Alexei Navalny was mourned and laid to rest.

If there's a hint of good news surrounding John's death, it resides in his followers who refuse to be intimidated. John foresaw a different world about to emerge. His disciples advance that vision through their simple yet difficult act of faithfulness.

We don't always have the power to rein in the destructive potential of self-obsessed rulers, toxic values, and an unwillingness to listen to truth. But Herod Antipas and his household remind us that innocent people will suffer when we don't use the power available to us. What do faithful resistance and courageous hope look like in our context today?

Rev Brian Carey

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Roster: Door Stewards



With the introduction of the new coordinators and pools for each roster, we want to highlight each role and their duties so you can consider whether you might like to participate in this ministry of the church. Next up is the door steward.

Our door steward main priority is to greet members of the church and assist with worship. Door stewards sort and hand out the printed News and Notes to members as they arrive along with the large font responses for those who use one. It's a great way to get to know more of our long standing church members.

The door steward also helps by putting out the parking sign (and bringing it in) along with organising the offering. Bags are pulled out and assistance is sought from some helpful folks on the day to assist with collecting the offering. Many folks are delighted to help out. You also get the important tasking of counting attendance once the late comers have taken their seats.

If you would like to be part of this ministry which welcomes our regulars and enables our offering, please contact the door steward coordinator, Els Mengler, or Marika in the office.

Thank you.



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.

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Introducing the 17th President of the UCA



On Thursday 11 July the 17th Assembly meeting opened with worship and the installation of Rev Charissa Suli as the 17th President of the Uniting Church in Australia.

To read an article introducing Rev Charissa Suli go to: [Introducing the 17th Assembly President – Uniting Church Australia](#)

A report on the Installation Service can be seen here:

[Joyful installation of 17th President – Uniting Church Australia](#)

Your Retiring Offering on Sunday, 14 July will go to Uniting WA.

Uniting

Preserves for Sale

A beautiful array of jams, marmalade and honey are for sale on top of the cupboard in the foyer. Prices as marked. Please place cash payment in the slot on the top right of the cupboard. Thank you.



**Living the Questions Studies will
recommence this coming
Monday July 15th at
All Saints Floreat Uniting Church.**



**Coffee and Chat at 9.30am with Study
from 10:00am to 11:30am.**

The next seven sessions are on restoring relationships to ourselves, to others and to nature, according to the Wisdom of the historical person of Jesus.

We begin with Session 8 on Restoring Relationships:

FOCUS: There are three Biblical “macro-stories” that shape the whole of the Biblical narrative: Bondage and Liberation, Exile and Return, Sin and Forgiveness. Each representing a different facet of the human condition, they demonstrate what is necessary for the restoration of relationships on a variety of levels.

Everybody welcome, even if you have not been before or missed the first seven sessions.

Organised by the Progressive Christianity Network of WA Committee:

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Richard Smith 0447 232 945;

Geoff Schupp, 0409 985 538;

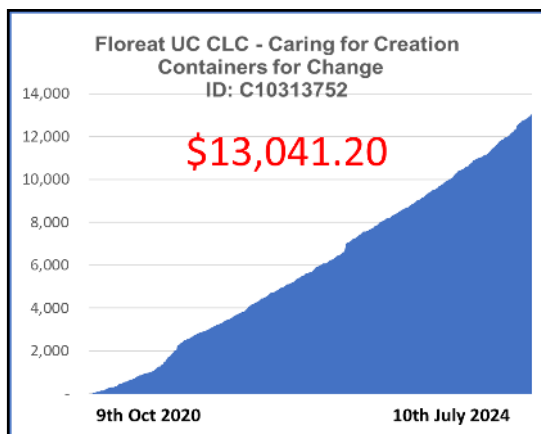
Elizabeth Burns, 0418 935 488 (Albany)

Richard Smith

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Containers for Change

Thanks to All Saints Floreat UC, Wembley Downs UC and Trinity North UC and the many volunteers who collect Containers for Change from their neighbours. **Our Containers for Change, ID: C10313752, has just past \$13,000** which has been deposited in the Floreat UC Creative Living Centre's bank account to support our support of the Papuans of eastern Indonesia and Aboriginal peoples of the NW Kimberley.



In terms of our Mission to saving Planet Earth there are significant reductions in Jarrah Forests being cleared to produce Alumina and use of electricity to make Aluminium. Recycling glass minimises environmental impacts of mining and energy use for smelting and transportation.

Recycling PET plastic bottles reduces demand for oil and natural gas, electricity for manufacturing and environmental pollution from microplastics entering our food chain. A small but significant contribution to achieving Net Zero emissions by 2050.

Richard Smith

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 office@allsaintsfloreat.com.au . Thank you

**Free
Community
Singing
Group**



Our Monthly Sing-Along is the perfect blend of fun and harmony.

Everybody is welcome

**Next Meeting: Thursday, 20 June 2024
2:00pm - 4:00pm**

Create unforgettable memories and build a community through the joy of singing.

No auditions. No need to read music.
Afternoon Tea Provided

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