



NEWS & NOTES

SUNDAY 7 JULY 2024 - AFTER PENTECOST 7

Wesleyan Quadrilateral: Scripture



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.

Albert Outler suggests that Wesley believed, first of all, that the living core of the Christian faith was revealed in "scripture" as the sole foundational source. The centrality of scripture was so important for Wesley that he called himself "a man of one book."

This is not surprising as Wesley is a protestant. During the reformation, protestants highlighted the Bible or scripture as the primary source of our faith. They believed it should be accessible, printed in other languages (not just Latin or Greek), and used as the source for our beliefs/doctrine. This resulted in changes to some core church beliefs, including the reduction in many protestant denominations of seven sacraments down to two (baptism and communion).

However, if scripture is the only source considered it can lead to denominations and people who glorify the Bible as the literal and infallible words of God. This can have consequences for the way they interact with the diversity of society and people of faiths.

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| SUNDAY 7 July After Pentecost 7 9:30am Communion Service Rev Reuben Edmonds | Sunday 14 July After Pentecost 8 9:30am Family Service Rev Brian Carey |
| 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 Psalm 48 * 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 * Mark 6:1-13 * Included in Service | P.303 P.565 P.231 P.52 |
| 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 Psalm 24 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29 | P.304 P.549 P.240 P.53 |

HYMNS SUNDAY 7 JULY

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| TiS 626 | Lord of Creation |
| TiS 674 | Inspired by Love and Anger |
| TiS 538 | Feed Us Now |
| TiS 658 | Here I am Lord |
| Blessing Hymn | We Shall Go Out With Hope of Resurrection |

| | SUNDAY 7 JULY | SUNDAY 14 JULY |
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| Welcomer | Carol Brearley | Lee-Anne Burnett |
| Door Steward | Beth McKechnie | Helen Bloomfield |
| Church Council | Lee-Anne Burnett | Jill Heaney |
| Bible Reader | Lillian Hadley | Carmen Savundra |
| Flowers | Marie Yuncken | Rachel Brayshaw |
| Morning Tea | Carol Lalich Margaret Smithson | Carol Brearley Pam Burgess |
| Music | Glenn Coughlan - Organ Joseph Lunardi - Violin | Geoff Hadley - Piano Joseph Lunardi - Violin |
| Multimedia | Rhondda Tilbrook | Richard Smith |
| Media Clicker | Christine Ryan | Lillian Hadley |

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Prayers

From The WA Synod: Trayning and Kellerberrin Uniting Churches, Dowerin and Kalgoorlie-Boulder Uniting Churches. Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress

Our local prayers will be for: Uniting Church in Australia Assembly.

Wesleyan Quadrilateral: Scripture cont...

As the UCA, we also hold to the scriptures as critical but describe them in our Basis of Union as “unique prophetic and apostolic testimony, in which it hears the Word of God and by which its faith and obedience are nourished and regulated.”

What role does the Bible or scripture 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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Getting to Know You HELEN BLOOMFIELD

Helen was born in Sydney, but due to her father's job she lived in Canberra ACT and five places in NSW until she started High School. She lived in a further two places in Victoria with her family while she

finished High School then trained as a High School Teacher in Melbourne.

After four years working as a High School Teacher, Helen studied Indonesian in Indonesia for four years. In 1979 she was employed as a Language Teacher at Sadadeen High School in Alice Springs. In the meantime, her parents were in Orange, NSW.

In December 1979, Helen's boyfriend, Haisu, came to Australia to meet the family. In January 1981 Helen and Haisu married in Orange and then went to live in Kendari, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia where Haisu was a University Lecturer and then also Head of the University Library. Helen lived there for twelve years. Their son, Jaylani was born in Perth in 1983 but went to Indonesia with Helen when he was four months old! As a native speaker of English, Helen found herself doing some English teaching there.

Helen and Jaylani came to Perth toward the end of 1993 for her mother's 70th birthday and they have been living here ever since. Haisu eventually retired as Head of the library and joined them in Perth in 2000.

In Perth, Helen was a housewife until she qualified as an Indonesian Interpreter then worked part-time as an Ethnic Education Assistant for fifteen years. She continues to work part-time as an Indonesian Interpreter.

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Helen used to attend the Mosman Park Uniting Church and then they combined with Swanbourne Uniting Church which closed in 2017. Since then, Helen has been coming to All Saints Floreat Uniting Church and has enjoyed Friendship Group and Book Club.

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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Summary of the Church Council meeting held on Tuesday 25 June, 2024.

- ◆ The use of electronic donations equipment was once again discussed, but no decision was reached to utilise this technology. The Uniting Investment Fund does offer this facility and will be investigated further during this year.
- ◆ The Disability Inclusion Plan task group met in June and will meet again in August. The WA Synod are also developing an inclusion plan.
- ◆ The 22 June 2024 Birthday dinner was attended by 64 people. A vote of thanks from Church Council went to all who helped make this event a success.
- ◆ Baptised members under 18 years of age will be receiving a letter from All Saints addressed to their last known address. The current Baptismal Roll dating back to the 1960s does not provide for the entry of current day information. A new Baptismal Roll to be purchased with the old one to be placed in the archives of the Church.
- ◆ An investigation into transportable stand-up banners to be undertaken. Two banners are required. The banners will be used for public events such as the City to Surf BBQ.
- ◆ A second barbeque is required for some of the events planned for later in the year.
- ◆ The co-ordination of all future activities like dinners and other Church events to be under the control of the Elders.
- ◆ Parking to be made available on the grassed area at the rear of the property for those in the congregation with mobility issues. The Care Group to encourage those with mobility issues to use this area.

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- ♦ Safe Church – it was noted that reporting by the Minister of child sex abuse is mandatory.
- ♦ Catering for funerals – there are two categories, being funerals for members and Fee for Service funerals (Non-Members).
- ♦ Catering arrangements for funerals are provided by members of the Church and the CLC.
- ♦ For Fees for Service funerals, it was agreed that if CLC provide the catering service, then the catering income is to be allocated to the CLC.
- ♦ The Mission Planning team have met and will continue to do so to formulate the Church's Mission Plan. Input from members of the congregation is required.
- ♦ The purchase of a new fixed sign for the front corner of the property was approved. Elite Graphics will produce and install the sign.

Michael van Drunen

Chair

Church Council

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

Uniting

Uniting WA provides community services including children, family and foster care services, NDIS disability, advocacy and mental health services, as well as financial wellbeing, homelessness and housing support.

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Roster: Welcomer

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. First up is the welcomer.

The welcomer's primary responsibility is to welcome new people as they come to our congregation. For brand new visitors we have gift bags (which includes our News and Notes, a Revive, a pen, etc.). For returning visitors we provide a News and Notes and service handout for you to give them. It can be tricky to know who a visitor is or if they're returning after a break so welcomers are invited to be courageous and ask.

The welcomer also has the honour of ringing the church bell at 9:25 am (you can ask someone else to do it on the morning if you prefer). Welcomers often find it easier to set our front door to "open" so it's easier for people to enter and then back to "automatic" once you head inside for worship.

Welcomers are also encouraged (along with all members of the congregation) to speak to new visitors before and after the service and at morning tea.

If you would like to be part of this ministry which seeks to provide an important friendly welcome for newcomers, please contact the welcomer coordinator, Lee-Anne Burnett, or Marika in the office.

Thank you.