

Lectionary Readings & Rosters

18th June, 2017

Pentecost 2

Genesis 18: 1 -15, (21: 1-7) Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19
Romans 5: 1-8 Matthew 9: 35 - 10: 8, (9-23)

8.00am Deidre Palmer
9.30am Deidre Palmer
11.00am Deidre Palmer

8.00am Rhonda Williams & Rosemary Austin

9.30am **Welcomers:** Ruth Brown & Rosemary Drabsch
Coffee: Warren Mossman, Helen McIntosh & David Davis
Sound: Reg Brown

11.00am **Welcomers:** Gill Jackson, Brian J Ward & John Pederson
Bible Reader: Peter Trevaskis

Sunday Night Tea: Vikki Waller

Mid Week Services

8.00am **Tuesday 13 June** **Service is in recess**
12.15pm **Thursday 15 June** **Rev Bob Hutchinson**

Pilgrim Car Park area. Please remember that priority is given to those with restricted mobility due to health, young children or the need to carry heavy objects. Other people should normally park in the Epworth Car Park (entrance from Pirie St) or on the street.

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Pilgrim News

Sunday, 11th June 2017

Trinity Sunday

Stopping to Reflect and Using a Compass.

The church in SA is well served by the ministry of the UC SA Historical Society. Today the Society is hosting the first national conference of UC historians from across the nation. Tomorrow at the final session a new national UCA historical society will be formed. Conferences, research, publications and events are some of the many ways we share stories of the past. When we recall and document past adventures of faith we discover how innovation, creativity and experimentation marked the life of the church. When we stop and reflect on past experience we are in effect learning from what has gone before. By listening and being attentive to the past we are preparing for the future. Taking the next steps along the pilgrim way does not imply being closed to the past. As communities of memory we learn from past mistakes and achievements and we are then equipped and prepared for what the future holds.

David Bosch in his monumental work, "Transforming Mission: Paradigm Shifts in Theology of Mission" claims that, "We need the perspectives of the past in order to appreciate the scope of the present challenge and to be able really to understand the world today and the Christian response to its predicament."

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Services at Pilgrim TODAY

8.00am

**Morning Eucharist
Breakfast in the Lounge
to follow**

Stuart McMillan

9.30am

**Community Worship
(Tea/Coffee in Hall
to follow)**

Stuart McMillan

11.00am

**Traditional Worship
Tea/Coffee in the Lounge to
follow**

Stuart McMillan

News of Pilgrims & Prayer Points

Congratulations and best wishes to **Mavis Rawnsley** who celebrates her 90+ Birthday tomorrow. We keep her in our thoughts and prayers.

Guest Speaker - TODAY

Stuart McMillan was installed as the President of the UCA on Sunday 12 July 2015, at the 14th Triennial Assembly held in Perth, Western Australia. Stuart replaced the Rev. Andrew Dutney and the current President elect Dr Deidre Palmer from Adelaide will be our guest next Sunday.

At his installation service Stuart began with the words, in the Yolngu language, “Bala limurr ronyirr norrangitjilil” – “Let us return to the white ashes of the fire”, an allusion to the Holy Spirit.

Stuart has had many roles in the UCA Northern Synod and associated organisations: accountant, operations manager, general manager of the Arnhem Land Progress Association (ALPA) - now the Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation, pastor, cultural awareness trainer, resource worker, community developer, and Moderator.

After living and working in the Northern Territory for some time, a man Stuart knew adopted him as his brother in the Gupapuyngu clan of the Yolngu nation with the skin name bulany meaning red kangaroo. In order that Yolngu kinship ties were proper in terms of Stuart and Ros’ relationship, and to complete the induction, the man’s wife also adopted Ros McMillan as her sister. The McMillans became part of the Humpty Doo semi-rural community near Darwin, and its Uniting Church.

After several ministers, Stuart took on the role of pastor, presiding over weddings, funerals and other activities. Ros McMillan, served as Moderator of the Northern Synod, based in Darwin, from 1996 to 1999 and Stuart served as moderator for five years until June 2015.

Guest Speaker - Next Week

On the third Sunday in our June anniversary series our guest for all three services will be **Dr Deidre Palmer**. Deidre was Moderator of the UC in SA 2013-2016 and is now President-Elect of the UCA National Assembly. Deidre has given leadership in theological education in ecumenical settings over 25 years at Parkin Wesley College, the Adelaide College of Divinity and with the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University in Texas. As a social worker Deidre has also worked with our nearby neighbours, Uniting Communities, as a member of their Childhood Sexual Abuse Counselling team. Deidre will help reflect on one of the UCAs major themes.. every member a minister.

Diary Dates

June

Thursday	15th	Vocal Performance	1.00pm	Church
		Choir Practice	7.30pm	Church
SUNDAY	18TH	MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION	12.10PM	
Tuesday	20th	Lounge Lunch - Mornays	11.30am	Lounge
		Pilgrim Reading Group	1.30pm	Lounge
Wednesday	21st	Mission Development Committee	1.30pm	Draper Room
Thursday	22nd	Organ Recital	1.00pm	Church
		Choir Practice	7.30pm	Church
Tuesday	27th	Signage Meeting	10.30am	Lounge
		Executive Meeting	12.30pm	Lounge
Thursday	29th	Vocal Performance	1.00pm	Church
		Choir Practice	7.30pm	Church

July

Tuesday	4th	Property Committee	12.30pm	Hall
		Operations Committee	1.30pm	Hall

Church Noticeboard

8am Tuesday Services will be going into recess from the 13th of June until the 8th of August, inclusive.

Lounge Outreach Lunch Offers of mornays for the Open lounge lunch on Tuesday 20th June would be greatly appreciated. Please see Helen McIntosh if you can donate.

Fundraising Movie Day Come join us as we raise funds for our Choir Tour with a return to the antics of Gru and the minions! There'll be themed snacks & chocolates on offer, so don't forget those gold coins!

Saturday 17th June Capri Cinema, 141 Goodwood Rd, Goodwood.

Doors open: 1pm Movie starts: 2pm

Tickets: \$15 individuals, \$55 family of 4 (2 adults, 2 kids)

Tickets at: <https://www.trybooking.com/QBWV> or through the choir.

SPECIAL NOTICE - The Church Council has approved a Special Congregation Meeting to be held on **Sunday 18th June, 2017** to receive the nomination for the **Minister of the Word Placement** for Pilgrim Congregation. The meeting will be held straight after the 11am Service concludes, in Pilgrim Hall. There will be **only one item** on the Agenda and that is to **vote on the Nomination** to be brought by the Joint Nominating Committee.

Pilgrim Circle of Friends

Pilgrim Circle of Friends have added their financial support for a Syrian refugee family of seven who have run up a large power bill in a house in the northern suburbs. Circle of Friends Australia is coordinating the response, and like many requests nowadays amounts of funding needed are large. The family concerned are having counselling with regard to power usage.

Graeme McIntosh Convenor.

Refugee Week 2017: Freedom Stories

To celebrate Refugee Week 2017, Justice for Refugees SA is hosting a free screening of **Freedom Stories**, an Australian documentary that tells the stories of former 'boat people' who are now Australian citizens. Directed by award winning filmmaker Steve Thomas, Freedom Stories is a thoughtful and uplifting film that places humanity back in this often politicised debate.

When: **Sunday Jun 18 7pm** (doors open 6:15pm)
Where: **Mercury Cinema** 13 Morphett Street
Cost: **FREE** **Please register** at <https://www.trybooking.com/QEPY>
Drinks and nibbles available

For more information contact Ruth Jacobs, Project Coordinator, Justice for Refugees

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UAICC (Congress) Pilgrimage of Healing Appeal - 2017

Young people in Oodnadatta are eager to grow in discipleship, become leaders, connect with other young Christians, and learn more about the Bible.

The plan is for funds raised through the 2017 Pilgrimage of Healing Appeal to go towards computers and a larger vehicle for the Oodnadatta Faith Community. This will help young people to access training, engage with outreach activities, and more easily connect with other faith communities and congregations.

You can make your donations by placing them in the special envelopes provided and putting these in the offering plate or by transferring money directly to:

BSB 704-095
Account No 193668
Account Name Oodnadatta Youth & Children's Ministry

Membership in the Uniting Church

Next Sunday we will be welcoming people into Membership Transfer / Membership in Association in the Uniting Church during the various worship services. This will be an appropriate day as the services are themed to celebrate "every member ministry, participating in God's mission".

Anyone interested in or thinking of membership is encouraged to talk with Rev Bob this week.

There will also be opportunities for people who wish to be baptised and confirmed into membership, in the second half of 2017.

Membership information available at <http://www.pilgrim.org.au/membership/index.php>

Cyrus Kung Appointed as Pastoral Worker

We are pleased to report that Cyrus Kung has been appointed to assist Pilgrim and the Chinese Christian Church work together and strengthen our partnership in city ministry.

Cyrus provides leadership at City Soul and encourages second generation Christians to be part of the church in SA. Cyrus has undertaken theological studies and attended the Uniting Church Background and Ethos course conducted by Andrew Dutney at the Uniting College.

He will be working at Pilgrim two half days each week. This position is being funded by a grant from the Highbury St Fund, the Chinese Christian Church and Pilgrim.

In the next week or two Cyrus will provide leaders of the congregations with updated information about leaders of both congregations so contact can be made when the need arises. The Liaison Committee is now being chaired by Tony Ma and meets regularly to explore cooperation and check on practical issues including room bookings, property maintenance and other means of sharing resources.

Ministers' Musings

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Like the Israelites of old - who needed to remind themselves, in every period of crisis, of their deliverance from Egypt, their wanderings in the desert, and their ancient covenant with God - we too need to be reminded of our roots, not only in order that we might have consolation but even more that we might find direction. We reflect on the past not just for the past's own sake; rather, we look upon it as a compass - and who would use a compass only to ascertain from where he or she comes?"

Rev Dr Dean Eland