

THE ADELAIDE UNITARIAN

Monthly Newsletter of
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY

Sunday	28	at 10.30 am	• Service of worship at Norwood given by Minister Rob MacPherson Address: "Annual ingathering service – Water Communion and Blessing of Children's Bookbags" (Note: Please bring 100 ml of fresh water from, or representing, where you took your summer holidays)	Musical offerings by Schrödinger's Cats (see this item on page 2)
Wednesday	31	at 6.00 pm	• Lectio Divina worship (until 7 pm)	(see this item on page 2)

FEBRUARY

Thursday	01	at 4.00 pm	• <i>Stream-of-Life</i> Terrace Singers (until 6 pm)	(see this item on page 5)
Friday	02	at 5.30 pm	• <i>Stream-of-Life</i> Meeting-in-Style (until 7.30 pm)	(see this item on page 5)
Sunday	04	at 10.30 am	• Service of worship at Norwood given by Minister Rob MacPherson Address: "Into the Dark Woods: Depression, Anxiety, and the Spiritual Life" Musical offerings by Brendan Moyses	
	04	at 5.00 pm	• Vespers service ** at Shady Grove conducted by the Rev. Jo Lane Address: "Just like Goldilocks. Not too hot not too cold. When to act and when to wait" Shared meal to follow in the hostel	

Monday	05	at 9.30 am	• Shady Grove cemetery clean-up (until 12 noon) (weather dependent)	(see this item on page 6)
Wednesday	07	at 6.00 pm	• Lectio Divina worship (until 7 pm)	(see this item on page 2)
Thursday	08	at 4.00 pm	• <i>Stream-of-Life</i> Terrace Singers (until 6 pm)	(see this item on page 5)

Sunday	11	at 10.30 am	• Service of worship at Norwood given by Minister Rob MacPherson Address: "Know Thyself" Musical offerings by Margaret Lambert	
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Tuesday	13	at 7.30 pm	• Committee of Management meeting (until 9.30 pm)	(see this item on page 2)
Wednesday	14	at 6.00 pm	• Lectio Divina worship (until 7 pm)	(see this item on page 2)
Thursday	15	at 4.00 pm	• <i>Stream-of-Life</i> Terrace Singers (until 6 pm)	(see this item on page 5)

Sunday	18	at 10.30 am	• Service of worship* at Norwood given by John Hall Address: "Awareness of the past and valuing those from our community connected with it" Musical offerings by Dr Tony Rogers	
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Sunday	18	at 10.30 am	• Women's Discussion Group (until 2.30 pm)	(see this item on page 4)
Wednesday	21	at 6.00 pm	• Lectio Divina worship (until 7 pm)	(see this item on page 2)
Thursday	22	at 4.00 pm	• <i>Stream-of-Life</i> Terrace Singers (until 6 pm)	(see this item on page 5)
Friday	23	at 1.30 pm	• <i>Stream-of-Life</i> Ruggers Group (until 4 pm)	(see this item on page 5)

Sunday	25	at 10.30 am	• Service of worship at Norwood given by Minister Rob MacPherson Address: "Conversations in the Clouds" (NOTE: this service will be conducted in a 'Café Church' format) Musical offerings by Schrödinger's Cats Following the service Rob MacPherson will run a 2020 Vision brainstorming session. Your participation would be most welcome	
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Wednesday	28	at 6.00 pm	• Lectio Divina worship (until 7 pm)	(see this item on page 2)
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MARCH

Thursday	01	at 4.00 pm	• <i>Stream-of-Life</i> Terrace Singers (until 6 pm)	(see this item on page 5)
Friday	02	at 5.30 pm	• <i>Stream-of-Life</i> Meeting-in-Style (until 7.30 pm)	(see this item on page 5)

Sunday	04	at 11.30 am	• Combined service of worship at Shady Grove given by Minister Rob MacPherson Address: tba Musical offerings to be advised	
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(* denotes a service arranged through the worship subcommittee, ** by Shady Grove members)

The February Committee of Management meeting will be on the 13th at 7.30 pm.

PUBLISHED SERVICE ADDRESS TOPICS

Please be aware that the topics shown are notional and subject to change at the Minister's or presenter's discretion.

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MINISTER'S WORKING ARRANGEMENTS AND CONTACT DETAILS

(Subject to occasional variations)

Sundays from 8 am to 2 pm

Mondays to Thursdays 9 am to 3 pm

Phone contact (during those hours and out-of-hours/emergencies):
0419 550 543Email address: robmacpherson1@hotmail.com

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR'S AVAILABILITY AND CONTACT DETAILS

Office Hours: The office is normally open **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** from 10 am to 2 pm each week.Our office administrator is Jenny Warner
(personal mobile 0411 523 544)

The office landline telephone: (08) 8332 2803

The church email address: unitariansa@bigpond.com

STREAM-OF-LIFE CONTACT DETAILS

Coordinator: Jenny Warner
Mobile phone: 0411 523 544

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

New directions

After the service on 25 February, I'll be hosting an informal brainstorming session for all interested members and friends, to generate fresh visions for how our church can better serve its members and the wider community. These might include:

- social and cultural events to offer
- social justice issues to focus on
- strategic partnerships to pursue (with community groups, other faith groups)
- charity and philanthropic causes to support
- ways to enhance our public identity

Through this no-obligation chat, I also hope to find a few new visionaries to refresh the 2020 Vision committee. These are the members whose task is to 'dream big' and offer possibilities to the Committee of Management to consider enacting. A church that ceases to envision future directions for itself will be a church that will cease, full stop. So get involved, at least on the 25th!

One fresh initiative already being planned is an annual public oration. Buoyed by the public impact of Hugh Mackay's ANZUUA keynote, we have decided to offer to the public an annual 'Catherine Helen Spence Oration on Religion and Public Life', featuring a speaker with a prominent national profile. Our inaugural speaker will be Professor Marion Maddox, whose book *God Under Howard: The Rise of the Religious Right in Australian Politics* offered a sharp and comprehensive analysis of how conservative Christianity has become a real and worrying influence in public life. We offer these orations in the tradition of our late, legendary member Catherine Helen Spence, whose Unitarianism profoundly influenced her commitment to the early women's suffrage movement. Through these, we hope to add to the national debate on topics at the intersection of religion and politics, and re-charge the relevance UUism once held in the public square.

As I write this, I'm actually on annual leave—so for once, you get brevity here. I'm really looking forward to my return though, because, believe it or not, I actually do miss you all.

See you in church!

ROB MACPHERSON

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Warm regards, JENNIE DYSTER

LECTIO DIVINA ALTERNATIVE WORSHIP

LECTIO DIVINA RETURNS

beginning Wednesday 31st January!

Come and find the quiet centre in your busy week with this gentle, contemplative, and spiritually enriching alternative worship, using our community-generated Breviary of inspirational readings. Wednesday evenings, 6–7pm.

ROB MACPHERSON

GROUNDBREAKING NEWS

It's official! Our first same-sex marriage will be solemnised on 25 February! See photos on page 7.

Blessings and congratulations to this happy couple 😊

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

Summary of the meeting of the Committee of Management held on Tuesday, 12 December 2017:

Jennie Dyster was elected President and John Hall was elected Vice President.

The Treasurer reported that our insurance policy has been reviewed and up-dated.

The Minister reported that he had conducted a wedding at Shady Grove.

The Secretary was asked to investigate the National Trust status of Shady Grove and the implications of any listing.

The Secretary was asked to initiate a Technical Support roster for Sundays.

At the AGM two Assistant Treasurers were elected - Helen Hall as Membership AT and Martin Tucker to manage the Church's investment portfolio. This was subsequently found to be outside the scope of the Constitution. It was proposed therefore, that the Treasurer may delegate some functions/responsibilities to members of the Finance Committee.

After the meeting there was discussion about installing a solar generating system for the church and there was

general agreement that the idea should be pursued.

Next meeting will be held on 13 February commencing at 7.30 pm, in the Annexe.

Full minutes of proceedings together with copies of reports will, after approval, be posted on the noticeboard in the library.

JENNY WARNER (Acting Secretary)

ADMINISTRATION

Office Hours will revert to Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 am to 2 pm during February.

There has been a call for car-pooling, especially from the southern suburbs. Can anyone help?

Terms and conditions for bookings to use space in the Meeting House, Annexe and Manse have been revised. These terms and conditions apply not only to outside groups, but also to members of the church. It is essential that everyone who wants to use the premises makes a booking and abides by the terms and conditions.

JENNY WARNER, Administrative Assistant
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NEW FINANCIAL YEAR - fees due now

The church financial year ended at the end of September. Membership fees for the 2017–2018 year are due now. These fees are \$35 for full membership and \$20 for members with a concession card.

You are encouraged to think about how much you might contribute financially to our church during the next year.

- using the envelope scheme. If you would like envelopes please let me know and I will supply them
- through the offertory collection
- by electronic funds transfer
- directly to me. Please place in an envelope with your name on the outside. I will receipt and send to you

Every commitment will help to increase the vitality of the church.

Our bank account details are:

BSB: 633 000

Account Number: 155743792

Account Name: The Unitarian Church of SA

HELEN HALL, Assistant Treasurer

COMMUNITY GARDEN

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JENNY WARNER

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VISION 2020 – A FLOURISHING CHURCH

This group helps promote the flourishing and development of our church. We are looking to renew membership in 2018. Please express your interest to the CoM via Jenny Warner.

Vision 2020 Team

JENNY WARNER (former Convenor/Chair), DAPHNE TRELOAR,
PAULINE ROONEY, RICHARD MAYO and DAVID FREESMITH

SUNDAY CLUB

Christmas play

Prior to Christmas, our talented children presented an entertaining dramatisation of Mem Fox's story *Wombat Divine*. The play was prepared and directed by the dynamic duo Darren and Kate Searson – thanks a lot guys and *bravo!* to all involved.

28 January

There's lots on this Sunday, so come prepared!

The service will begin with our annual 'Blessing of the Bookbags' ceremony. Children are asked to bring the

backpack they will take with them to their new year of school/kindergarten/childcare.

Also, children are invited to bring some water symbolising places or experiences they have treasured over the summer period (children should bring separate water samples to their parents).

During Sunday Club, [guest artist Professor Anna Hickey-Moody](#) will offer our children a special art workshop. Then, after the service, she will give a presentation for parents about an opportunity for our children to participate in a series of art workshops over the coming months as part of her [research into children's interfaith expression through art](#). This project promises to be an enriching experience for our kids and we hope your family can be a part of it.

Programme

Children's religious education will be offered on 28 January, 4 and 11 February. On other Sundays, less structured play and fellowship sessions will be offered by our assistants.

Shady Grove camp

If you would like to help plan a camp at Shady Grove in the April school holidays, please contact [David](#).

2018 Sunday Club leadership

If you know of an appropriately qualified and experienced person who may be interested in leading Sunday Club in a paid capacity in 2018, please pass on their details to [Mary](#). Conditions attached to the role are negotiable. Church background is not required.

Volunteer assistants

We are very fortunate to have the regular assistance of several adults from the congregation. But we need more to run our programme. Can you help from time to time as an assistant? Please contact [Mary](#) to join the roster and [arrange your police clearance](#).

DAVID FREESMITH,
MARY CHASE mkchase2@gmail.com
Sunday Club Coordinators

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Weekly vigil for refugees

Unitarians continue to support a [weekly vigil](#) calling for the compassionate welcome of asylum seekers held in Australian Government offshore detention. The vigil is now in its 73rd consecutive week and will continue until all refugees held on Manus and Nauru are free and safe. Join us every Friday in the city. Check this link for latest details: <https://www.facebook.com/bringthemherevigil/>.

Refugee alternatives conference

A major conference will be held in Melbourne on 13-14 February to explore alternatives to Australia's current approach to asylum seekers.

See <https://refugeealternatives.org.au>.

DAVID FREESMITH – Social Justice Coordinator
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INTRODUCTION TO BUDDHIST PHILOSOPHY

I am offering this course again commencing on Thursday, 5 April at 6.30 pm–7.30 pm as a response to people who wish to repeat it, and for others who have expressed interest. Further information on page 6.

My intention is not to proselytise. A quote from the Dalai Lama, "Don't try to use what you learn from Buddhism to be a Buddhist, use it to be a better whatever-you-already-are."

Lama Yeshe was my teacher at Kopan monastery in

Nepal in 1977. He would say, "One percent Buddhist, very good!"

At the end of the course one of the participants wrote, "Like everyone else, Jenny, I want to tell you how much I've appreciated your efforts to spread your charming way of bringing more love and clarity to others. It's a rare and open approach you display, and a pity more don't have the opportunity to listen in."

You may be interested to know the donations given at the talks enabled \$182.80 to go to my campaign for *do-it-in-a-dress 2017*. Since then a further \$304.00 was given and this has gone to Second Chances SA. This is an organisation that gives time (like camps) and goods (like school shoes) to children whose parent is incarcerated in jail.

Our problems are our own creation.
The place problems exist is in the mind.
You don't have to change anything external;
the only change you have to make
is within your mind.

Lama Yeshe

JENNY OPIE | MOB 0428 828 005

PERSONALIA

Sadly we were advised going to press of the passing of Jacqueline Steuart, past long-term church member. Further information in the March newsletter.

Looks like Tasmania was the place to be over the Christmas/New Year holidays. Tracey Grigg headed there first, followed by Mini Paul, Steve Huyton and Paolo. Miranda and children also caught up briefly with them on New Year's Eve, which was a welcome coincidence. The latest travellers are Mary Chase with Eran, David and Michael Binenbaum. They experienced some pretty cold weather during their stay with so much hail falling it looked like snow. Mary advised the heavy hail was followed a few days later by a Tassie-style heatwave (33°!) which saw them swimming happily in the ocean! The saying that you can get four seasons in one day in Tassie held true.

Adelaide's January heatwaves didn't affect our octogenarian Moira Thomas who looked cool as a cucumber returning home from church on a very hot day. Although frustrated the lawnmower man hadn't turned up, we're sure she's one of the few people whose petunias haven't perished in the heat!



Anne Johnson has been busy since Christmas, having three paintings accepted for the Rotary Art Show at Victor Harbor for the third year running. Congratulations, Anne!

Pat and Brian Simpson have just returned from five weeks overseas, coming from 0°C to 44°C inside 24 hours. They spent four weeks in Dunblane, Scotland (to celebrate their daughter Susan's 50th birthday and to spend Christmas with Susan and family), and a week in Copenhagen, Denmark with friends. Whilst in Scotland they travelled across to Dundee for a day to meet up with the Rev. Bob Wightman, former (now retired) Unitarian Minister and in 2008, President of the UK Unitarians. His wife Mary (also in 2008) was President of the UK Unitarian Women's League. In September 2008 they visited South Australia Unitarians and Bob with wife Mary led a combined service at Shady Grove. Pat and Brian had the privilege of hosting Mary and Bob and have remained in touch ever since. This was the year Shady Grove celebrated 150 years in October 2008. They also visited

Auckland, New Zealand, after Adelaide.

We are still looking for a Personalia Correspondent – please feel free to put your hand up to help us out!

EDITORIAL TEAM

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

The Women's Group will meet after church on 18 February to discuss the topic of "Giving and receiving of gifts" which was deferred from December.

All women welcome to attend.

LIZ LOVE | 8332 1425 | lizlove@adam.com.au

BIRTHDAYS

February 2018

We wish the following people a very happy birthday:

8 th	Helen Scarborough	12 th	Milton Smith
11 th	Trevor Killmier	13 th	Heather Brownlee
12 th	Tim Solheim	21 th	Miranda Harris

The meaningful question is never what we did yesterday, but what we learned from it and are doing today.

If you are a member and would like your birthday included, please let me know.

Some members may no longer want to receive a card in the post. Please contact me if this applies to you.

JENNY OPIE

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CAIM GROUP

'Caim' – a Gaelic word meaning sanctuary, an invisible circle of protection drawn around the body with a hand, which reminds you that you are safe and loved even in the darkest times.



We are a group of like-minded people who want to support each other to weave contemplative and prayerful tradition into our busy lives. Currently we meet fortnightly on a **Wednesday** night in one of the member's homes.

More details from NEIL UNDERWOOD on 0430 411 369 or nellynoos@adam.com.au

FAIR TRADE

CHOC HORROR!!! Why is our Fair Trade chocolate so expensive?

Human rights groups have been reporting for some years now that the chocolate industry is linked to child labour and even slavery in those parts of the world where cocoa is produced. In an interview on Radio National on Good Friday Sister Sarah Puls, a Sister of the Good Shepherd, said that most of the chocolate we eat in Australia is made using cocoa beans produced in West Africa. "There is not a lot of money to employ people in those areas so labour, including child labour and children who are trafficked for the purpose of picking cocoa, are used. "If these producers were paid a fair price they could afford to pay for labour and contribute to economic development in their communities.

Fair Trade chocolates, tea and coffee are available after the church service.

We chose to sell Oxfam products because we trust them and because we support Oxfam in its fight against poverty and injustice in developing countries. And there is the added bonus that the products are produced organically. Oxfam sells to us at a discount and we sell at the recommended retail price, giving the Church a profit of 20%. This money funds the Church's Stream-of-Life Outreach programme, in particular the monthly Cooking for Vinnies.

JENNY WARNER

STREAM-OF-LIFE (SoL)**Meeting-in-Style**

Next dates are Fridays, 2 February and 2 March. For further information, contact Judy Viner-0402 922 445.

St Vincent de Paul cooking days

It's with mixed feelings that our monthly cooking for St Vinnies has come to an end. Whilst appreciative of all we have done, St Vinnies is now able to buy their own biscuits. We have been cooking (meals and biscuits) since June 2014, following Rob MacPherson's St Vinnies Annual Sleepout.

We have enjoyed our monthly cook-ups and the camaraderie. There have been many laughs and sharing of stories. Maybe there will be another opportunity going forward doing something similar.

We would also like to acknowledge the donations made by Bronwyn and Grant Shillabeer of ingredients – very generous indeed. Other ingredients were provided through the congregation's support of the Fair Trade table, for which we thank you very much.

DAPHNE TRELOAR

Stream-of-Life Ruggers

The new year began well for your team of dedicated "Ruggers" as we celebrated the milestone of completing our 300th rug since the inception of this little group back in 2009 with the support of the Rev. Jo Lane. We are very proud of this well-earned achievement and thank all those who have helped to make our vision a reality. The celebratory cake (see picture) was enjoyed by the always encouraging congregation.



You are welcome to join us in the manse for work and conversation, usually on the fourth Friday of each month 1.30 to 4 pm - this month being on the 23rd.

VALERIE WEBB AND THE UNITARIAN RUGGERS TEAM
kandvwebb@bigpond.com | mob. 0413 955 565

SoL joins the war against waste

In an effort to reduce the number of plastic containers going to landfill, SoL is exploring the feasibility of offering the congregation an opportunity to re-use their soap containers. Even with re-cycling, a good deal of water and electricity is used. It is better to re-use for as long as you can.

We have been in contact with Dominant, a South Australian owned and operated producer of cleaning products. Dominant has high environmental standards and the products are highly concentrated (see <https://domhome.com/>). Initially we are looking at stocking three products in bulk: a washing powder suitable for both top and front-loading washing machines, the hand and shower liquid cleanser, and a dishwashing liquid. We would be buying in bulk and selling at cost.

In February we will survey the congregation for expressions of interest.

JENNY WARNER

Terrace Singers (a women's choir)

In February the Terrace Singers will rehearse at the Meeting House 4–6 pm on each Thursday.

New members are always welcome to join the Terrace Singers in their musical pursuits.

For enquiries about the Terrace Singers please call

8269 1883 or 0407 797 795.

MARGARET LAMBERT

CARING FOR OUR WORLD

Charlie Madden (and wife Margi) always have their fingers on the pulse regarding our environment. Here's something to contemplate from Charlie.

Plastic

There's a small country way up north very cold, wet and windy in the winter but very beautiful.

Scotland or course, only 5 million people but 100% renewable and now banning cotton buds.

Those trivial, if useful, things used once and thrown away ... to a bin, then a wheelie bin and that huge noisy truck, and eventually to land fill to lie still gleaming.

For Millenia.

Tectonic plates may grunt and heave star upon star become supernovae but that cotton bud stem will still gleam if the sun catches it.

Whereas bamboo cotton buds from 'Flora & Fauna' may be just as effective, and once used then discarded to the green bin and on to the compost to become ... in time food for that neat row of bright carrots or those full round cabbages.

Another minus turned to a plus .. by design?

CHARLIE MADDEN

SHADY GROVE CONGREGATION**News**

Finally, after two Christmas Eve services at Shady Grove having been forced to be relocated due to predicted high temperatures, this year the service was back at Shady Grove, led by the Rev. Jo Lane.

Yvonne and Darrell Barrett (although not expected) were pleased to be able to attend after all, noted that very although few people had arrived by 4.45 pm, by 5.05 pm the church was almost full. Jill and Murray Dunn's whole family, including their three grandsons plus extra family members, helped to boost the numbers. The weather was a perfect mild summer evening. Anne Johnson was pleased with the numbers and diversity of attendees.

Peter and Janet Whitham attended the service, and were glad to meet new faces and renew old friendships. Their youngest daughter, Alexandra, (visiting for Christmas from Auckland), in Candles of Joy and Concern, said that it had been 15 years since she last visited Shady Grove and how good it was to visit again.

Another new attendee had recently found together with her husband, that he was a descendant of John Monks (whom most know, owned the land and built the school which became the Shady Grove Church).

A good proportion of the inside of the Hostel is scheduled to be painted early in 2018.

Shady Grove Congregation Dates**Sunday 4 February at 5 pm**

Leader: the Rev. Jo Lane

Address: "Just like Goldilocks. Not too hot not too cold. When to act and when to wait"

Warden: Anne Johnson

Sunday 4 March at 11.30 am

(Combined congregations from Shady Grove and Norwood)

Leader: Minister Rob MacPherson
Address: tba
Wardens: tba

Note: events at Shady Grove are subject to our hot weather policy ([see below](#)).

Formerly there have been three combined services at Shady Grove each year [first Sundays of March, June, December]. We have found the December combined service has needed cancelling several times due to hot weather. It has now been agreed to hold the combined services as follows:

March
May
November

NB: Shady Grove will not be operating the Bring & Buy table until further notice. Although it has been a successful venture, raising quite a lot of money over time, interest seems to have been waning, so we are thinking of possible alternatives for 'down the track' to raise money again for Social Justice causes.

PAT SIMPSON

Shady Grove Cemetery Clean-up

Next working bee will be Monday 5 February from 9.30 am until 12 pm.

DAPHNE TRELOAR

Shady Grove Bushcare

Bushcare at Shady Grove is resuming on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, weather permitting, from about 9 am. Phone 0411 523 544 to check details.

All welcome.

JENNY WARNER, Coordinator
jswwow@gmail.com | 0411 523 544.

For Hills/Shady Grove weather information please phone Yvonne Barrett on 0409 637 938.

The hot weather policy will apply as we progress through summer, namely ...

Our **hot weather policy** which applies during the summer season is that ... *if the temperature forecast for the day on which a service or event is scheduled, predicted on ABC Radio 89.1 AM the night before, is for 35C degrees or higher, then the service or event will be cancelled. If the service cancelled were to be one of the three morning services planned for the year, then that service will be held instead at the Norwood church at 10.30 am.*

IPAN (Independent Peaceful Australia Network)

Japanese Peace Boat Visit – Port Adelaide

Making Waves tour features the powerful tales of nuclear survivors from Japan and Australia, travelling aboard *Peace Boat's* voyage to Australia from 24 January–6 February. The Governments of both countries have not yet signed the new nuclear weapons ban treaty. Inspiring civil society movements are demanding their leaders reject these weapons of mass destruction and abide by the new international legal norm.

Peace Boat public meeting is Monday, 29 January at 6 pm at Gallery Yampu, 1 Jenkins Street, Birkenhead, Port Adelaide.

Date for next general meeting will be Wednesday, 31 January 2018 at the Unitarian Church, Norwood at 6.30 pm.

CHRISTINE MASON

ANZUUA NEWS

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DAVID FREESMITH
PAULINE ROONEY

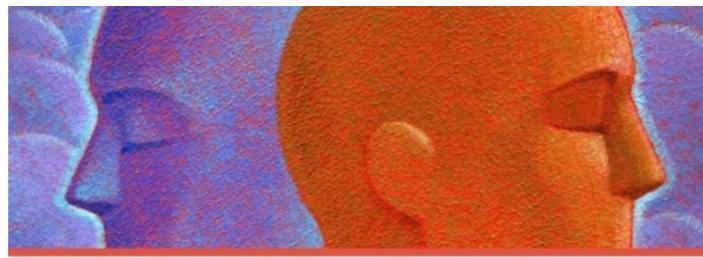
The Unitarian Church of SA
invites you to a new Adult Enrichment course
"An Introduction to Buddhist Philosophy"



When: Thursday evenings from 6.30-7.30 pm
5 April through to 5 July
(14 weeks)
Where: 99 Osmond Terrace, Norwood
Cost: Donation
Taught by: Jenny Opie

JENNY OPIE has followed the Buddha's teachings for forty years after being inspired by Lama Yeshe at a month's course in Kopan Monastery in Nepal. She has taught meditation to inmates of our prison system and was instrumental in changing the exclusively Christian chaplaincy to multifaith in the 1990s. She was the first Buddhist chaplain in South Australia.

Jenny is the author of *Simple Truths*, an overview of Buddhist wisdom.



SEMINARY OF THE 3RD AGE

Re-thinking Faith in The 21st Century

FEBRUARY 22, 2018 AT 7:30PM
BY LYNN ARNOLD
AT 26 KING WILLIAM RD, WAYVILLE.

Conducted by respected theological scholars and leaders, offers persons of any faith, or no faith, an opportunity to explore and reflect on questions of faith and spirituality relevant in the 21st Century.

Each seminar topic is of four weeks duration, Thursday evenings during March, May, August and October. Book online www.trybooking.com/317240
For more information ring office on 8271 0329
or check the website - www.pcnetsa.org



The children presenting Mem Fox's story *Wombat Divine* at Christmas – delightful



Wombat loved Christmas...



... Wombat beamed!

It's official! Our first same-sex marriage set for 25 February!
(The Registrar asked the girls to both tick "Bride" and "Female")



(insert name and address of proposed celebrant)

of their intended marriage:

PARTY 1			PARTY 2		
Groom	<input type="checkbox"/> Bride	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partner	Groom	<input type="checkbox"/> Bride	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partner
Male	Female	X	Male	Female	X
Accountant			Sales manager		

Names concealed

Address concealed



DUTIES ROSTER

	GREETER	WARDEN	COFFEE	FLOWERS	SOUND SYS	TECH
JAN 28	C Mason	R Mayo	S Roy & J Vabolis	M Madden	J Eaton	J Eaton
FEB 04	J Brummitt	R Brummitt	R Mayo & D Binenbaum	J Brummitt	J Brooks	R Mayo
FEB 11	V Webb	J Warner	J Opie & D Treloar	M Lambert	J Eaton	J Eaton
FEB 18	R Mayo	C Mason	S Schultheis & B Berry	V Webb	H Lambert	H Lambert
FEB 25	D Treloar	R Mayo	L Love & M McCann	B Berry	J Brooks	G Shillabeer
MAR 04	SHADY GROVE					
MAR 11	J Brummitt	R Brummitt	S Roy & J Vabolis	M Madden	H Lambert	H Lambert
MAR 18	C Mason	J Warner	J Opie & S Schultheis	J Brummitt	J Eaton	J Eaton
MAR 25	D Treloar	C Mason	R Mayo & D Binenbaum	M Lambert	J Brooks	R Mayo
APR 01	C Mason	R Mayo	L Love & M McCann	B Berry	H Lambert	H Lambert

ATTENTION all those who look after coffee and flower rosters, and dispose of kitchen waste. Please note there are three bins now provided for the rubbish. There is also a calico bag down the eastern side of the church for all flower rubbish. Please do not use the manse wheelie bin.

ROSTERING - If you are unable to take your turn on the rostered date, please contact another person on the same roster and arrange to interchange dates.

NEWSLETTER TEAM

Hugh Lambert, Sandy Schultheis, Jo Vabolis - Editors, whips
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ROSTER of Sunday Service Participants

Date	Leader	Reader	Story	Musician
Feb 04	Minister	Hugh Lambert	John Eaton	Brendan Moyse
Feb 11	Minister	David Binenbaum	Michael & Kylie Hill	Margaret Lambert
Feb 18	John Hall	Brenda Coulter	Helen Hall	Dr Tony Rogers
Feb 25	Minister	Barbara Willow	Richard Mayo	Schrödinger's Cats

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Below is the composition of our Committee of Management (CoM) and election of President and Vice President at the Committee of Management meeting of 12 December 2017.

	<i>servicing until</i>
Rob MacPherson	<i>The Minister, ex officio</i>
Jennie Dyster	<i>President 2018</i>
John Hall	<i>Vice President 2018</i>
Jenny Warner	<i>Secretary* 2018</i>
Richard Mayo	<i>Treasurer* 2018</i>
Sandy Johns	<i>2019</i>
Alex Tsiboulski	<i>2019</i>
Susie Brooke-Smith	<i>2020</i>
Jenny Opie	<i>2020</i>
Vicki Sobczak	<i>2020</i>

* These are one year appointments.

Helen Hall *Assistant Treasurer***
 ** This is not an official Committee position

We thank present, past and future Committee of Management members, and members serving subcommittees, for their efforts on behalf of the Church.

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Our **Twitter** account is: [@saunitarians](https://twitter.com/saunitarians) (follow this and share Tweets)

Our **Minister's Blog** page is: "Will Preach for Food" robmacpherson1.blogspot.com/

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