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Uniting Church in Australia
Albany Region Congregations



Welcome to our service.

Duke St Church morning tea is on the 3rd Sunday of the month, Denmark Uniting Church & Lockyer have morning tea after their Service.

9 June 2024.



Being Called

Last week, people in church heard the story of Samuel's call to become prophet, seer, priest, and Israel's last Judge. In other words, full time, lifetime servant of God. We too are called to serve in some way or another. After the service last Sunday, we spoke briefly about how the response to this call changes. As youngsters we don't really know how to respond, and need examples to follow, or instructions. As we grow older, we become models of servanthood ourselves, and many of you can see how this worked out in your children and (great) grandchildren. They may not go to church, but they will have learned to be kind, considerate, and they know the difference between 'right' and 'wrong'. When super senior age creeps up on all of us, we cannot do all the things we did before, and our response becomes limited, but we don't become useless. I tell people in age care that they have a different call to fulfill as employers of the people who care for them. Without residents, these people would not have a job! When no longer able to walk, or needing help with basic things necessary for daily life, we can still say, 'thank you'. Even if we cannot speak any longer, we most likely can still smile. As an expression of kindness and goodwill, or as a way of saying 'good morning' a smile always communicates some level of affection for the other person. After the service last week, I remembered a



Family Issues

Jesus problems began to mount soon after he began his healing and teaching ministry. Crowds flocked to hear him and Jesus and his disciples were so busy they couldn't even find the time to eat. However, these popularity, space and time issues were the least of Jesus problems - the religious leaders had begun to plot together to kill Jesus and claimed that he was in league with demons. Even that was not his chief problem his family was! Jesus' mother and brothers (Joseph was probably dead) "thought he was crazy and went to get him under control". Mary was accompanied by the muscle of Jesus' brothers in order to bring him 'under control' and drag him home. But the crowd was too big and the house too small for them to enter and force Jesus home, so they sent a message to him to come out to them. Jesus was given the message, "Your family are outside and want to see you." The crowd knew that, in their society, there was no higher obligation than to family. Jesus did not comply with the summons. The crowd would have been shocked and dumfounded when Jesus then effectively 'disowned' his family saying, "Who is family to me? All those who hear and obey God's call on their lives are my mother, brothers and sisters." This would have broken Mary's heart and probably angered Jesus brothers. It was a serious family breakdown. Repairs must have been made because his mother was at the cross and tomb and one of his brothers became a leader in the early church. Why did Mark tell this story? He wanted to show that Jesus, whatever the odds, was determined to stay faithful to God's call on his life. All of Jesus' new family are called in the same way, to take up their own cross and follow Jesus. Are you faithful, like Jesus?

Submitted by R. Marsh



June 9

8.30am	LOCKYER	R. Anderson
9.00am	DENMARK HC	Rev. Corina
10am	DUKE ST	R. Anderson
11am	MT BARKER HC	Rev. Corina

June 16

8.30am	LOCKYER	Rev. Corina
9.30am	DENMARK	T. Ayres
10am	DUKE ST	Rev. Corina
11am	MT BARKER	S. Wilson

Dates every week

Museum: Open Tues-Thurs, 9-11am.

Tuesday Discussion: Meets at 9.30am for 10am start at Elizabeth's place. All welcome to come and discuss a wide variety of topics.

Wednesday Prayer group: Meets at 9.30am at Heather's place. All welcome.

Thursday Bible Study group: Meets at 10am, Lockyer, Townsend St. All welcome.

June 11	Lockyer Ladies Fellowship, Lockyer, 12pm
June 11	AUC Ladies Fellowship, Handasyde's, 2pm
June 20	AUC Fellowship, Vancouver Café 10 am
June 23	AUC AGM meeting, following worship

patient in Murdoch Hospice, who was dying of Alzheimer's disease. I was told there was no point in seeing this man because he was unresponsive. It was a warm summer's day, and the gentleman was on his bed dressed in only his underpants. He was no longer communicating, not even smiling was possible for him. And yet, he still had a call, an invitation to me to sit with him, so that he could feel my presence somehow. I put my hand next to his, and after some time, his hand moved over mine. He called me to love beyond what made sense. This man, capable of nothing much, taught me this invaluable lesson: a human being is human until he/she breathes her last. Respect is due for all people working in a caring profession, for all people looking after spouses of children with different abilities. Respect, to all of you.

Blessings, Corina

Prayers of the week

AUC: Heather Bailey, Jean & Alex Bell and their families.

Lockyer: Annette Webb, Vera Wellstead and their families.

Mt Barker: Deborah Murphy, Philip Webb and their families.

Denmark: John Croft & Veronica Davenport, Ann & Gavin Gray and their families.

Synod: GKI Mosman Park and Nedlands Uniting Churches Assembly Legal Reference Committee and the Uniting Church in Australia National History Society.

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News & Notes

★ **Albany YouthCARE** Council is taking part in the **Containers for Change** scheme. Our registration number is **C10331167**.

All you have to do is take your eligible containers to a collection point at either IGA Spencer Park, or Container Recycling Depot, 93 Stead Rd Centennial Park and **quote our number**. The money you raise will go straight into our Albany bank account. Most aluminum, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 3L are eligible. For more information, check out the Containers for Change website.

★ **Offerings** We gratefully accept financial contributions ("offerings") to continue the work of the Church. Cash or cheques may be placed in the offering bowls at Sunday services. Direct bank transfers (EFT) are also welcome. For Albany, please use the details below:

BSB: 086 554 (National Australia Bank)
Account Number: 496 865 760
Account Name: Albany Uniting Church
Reference: Offering or Youthcare

For Denmark, Mount Barker and Lockyer please contact your treasurer for details. All offerings are anonymous. Feel free to ask for envelopes if you wish.

★ **Uniting World.** If you would like to donate to Uniting World. Donations will be used to provide urgent assistance, supplies & support longer-term recovery. To donate online, go to <https://donate.unitingworld.org.au/donate-now>

★ **Connecting** people who cannot attend worship, can still stay in touch with us from anywhere in the world. You can receive the monthly Magazine, the weekly Bulletin and the Order of Service by email or in print. We also record Sunday services which can be sent on CD. Just contact Corina or Lisa to make arrangements (see back page). For those of you who use social media, Albany and Denmark have Facebook pages and some of us also post under tags like [#wesleyalbany](https://www.facebook.com/wesleyalbany) on other social media channels.



★ **AUC AGM meeting** 23rd June 2024. Can you please send your reports of the various groups into the office before Wed 12th June, so they can be printed ready to hand out on Sunday 16th June.

AUSTRALIAN BAROQUE



BAROQUE MASTERCLASSES & WORKSHOPS IN ALBANY

**TUE
JUNE 11**

3:30 - 5:30PM OPEN BAROQUE MASTERCLASS

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Level: AMEB grade 5+ or equivalent
Approximately 20 mins per performer

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\$20 masterclass performers (includes the workshop session)
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Helen Kruger - violin

Helen is a Baroque specialist and graduate of the Royal Academy of Music, London. She spent almost 20 years working in the UK and Europe working with some of the world's best baroque orchestras, conductors and ensembles before coming back to her home town, Perth. Helen is the Artistic Director of Australian Baroque and Director of the Perth String Project.

Edwina Cordingley - cello

A Melbourne-based cellist and educator, Edwina studied in Edinburgh with David Watkin, before taking up an apprenticeship with Sir John Eliot Gardiner. Edwina went on to tour Europe with John Eliot in the English Baroque Soloists and the Orchestre Revolutionnaire et Romantique as well as The Gabrieli Consort and Players. Now back in Australia, she performs with Australia's finest ensembles and orchestras and joins Australian Baroque for some of their 2024 regional-WA touring and community masterclasses.

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