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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.

14 July 2024.



Psalm 24

Leslie F Brandt writes Psalm 24 in new words: Let us not forget that this world and everything in it belongs to God. But not all of this world's citizens recognise or give allegiance to their Creator. Who are the ones who truly love and serve God? They are the people who discover and live within God's purposes for their lives. They are the people whose hearts and hands are dedicated to God's will for them. They are the people who turn away from self-centred concerns to live for those around them. They can count on God's perpetual blessings. They have been delivered from anxiety to focus their efforts on communicating God's eternal love to people around them. Let us look up and live! God is present in all His glory and majesty. Let us let go and celebrate! Our loving Lord is here with us and will manifest Himself through us. We represent Him in all His saving power. We are His beloved and empowered servants in this world that He created. For many people it is difficult to think of God without having some mental image. Jesus addressed God as Abba, Father. We still do that today. This does not mean that God is a Father like a human father. God is much, much, greater than that, source of all, lifegiving love. We can see this love in nature, we can feel it for other people or pets, we can hear it in beautiful music, smell it in the delicate perfume of a rose or the smell of a heartening winter stew. God's love is present in



Luke 7:36-38

"A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. As she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them. Jesus is having dinner at the home of a religious leader, a Pharisee. This is not a dinner as we understand them. It's not just a private function for invited guests alone. These gatherings tended to be more public events where a teacher is asked to another leader's home and they have a public conversation, people come to listen and watch. There were many usual practices around these meals, and next week we will read that the host, Simon, refused Jesus the usual hospitality rituals reserved for visiting teachers. The type of meal and gathering that this represented makes a little more sense of a random person entering the room and anointing Jesus' feet. We know very little about this lady other than that she had a "sinful" reputation. Yet into this space, surrounded by people she knew would judge her, she makes a quite remarkable effort to anoint Jesus' feet and weep in his presence. She demonstrates what we should all know today. No one is beyond the reach of Jesus, no one is outside his interest or care, everyone is welcome. Your reputation and past do not exclude you from Jesus, in fact, if you are acutely aware of your sins, you are in the right place with the right attitude. Come into Jesus' presence today and experience his welcome and grace.

Daily Nudge by Karl Faase and Olive Tree Media.

Submitted by A. Hortin



July 14

8.30am	LOCKYER	A. Hortin
9.00am	DENMARK HC	Rev. Corina
10am	DUKE ST	A. Hortin
11am	MT BARKER HC	Rev. Corina

July 21

8.30am	LOCKYER	Rev. Corina
9.30am	DENMARK	J. Wilson
10am	DUKE ST	Rev. Corina
11am	MT BARKER	R. Anderson

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.

July 18	AUC Fellowship, Vancouver Café 10 am
July 19	AUC Church Council Meeting, Lesser Hall, 4pm
July 27	Quiet Space, Wesley Church, 2-3 pm

everything and everyone. Therefore, everything in existence is sacred. Food for thought, is it not? How can we be indifferent or mean to others, if they too are sacred? The Psalm tells us to live for the people around us. If we do, we can count on ongoing blessings. If we do, we will be delivered from anxiety, focusing on the lifegiving purpose of the greatest reality of all: the lifegiving love of the invisible – yet very present – God. So, don't let the world get you down, stand tall and live. There are innumerable images of God., who is present with us and through us. We can share God's healing love! The Holy Spirit breathes in and through us. Let us not forget the entire expanding universe belongs to the living, breathing One whom we honour. Let us celebrate and give thanks and offer praise. (And keep warm doing so.)

Blessings, Corina

Prayers of the week

AUC: Lyn Catchpole, Geoff Collins and their families.

Lockyer: Anne & Alan Hortin, Rod Marsh and their families.

Mt Barker: Philip Webb, Sue Wilson and their families.

Denmark: Trish, Aidan & Miriam Thornber, Carlien Trotter and their families.

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.

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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](#) on other social media channels.

★ **Wesley Museum** has a collection of old books and photos on the history of Wesley Church and more. Open Tuesday- Thursday 9-11am.

★ **Buddy and Lourdes Bernolo** are moving to Perth. They have already left Albany and requested the congregation keeps them in their prayers. We will miss them, and we wish them well for their and their family's future.

