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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.

1 September 2024.



Pentecost 14

“How lovely is your dwelling place”, the psalmist begins. Sacred space is often very important to us. For some, the local church is a place, for a variety of reasons, when the closeness of God is particularly felt. Not for me. Perhaps because I, and generations of my family before me, have never been in one place long enough to put down generational, let alone multi-generational roots. Yet I do have a sense of the feeling that the psalmist experiences. I find it in a handful of English cathedrals, chapels or churches, and most notably in particular places: the Isle of Iona (outside the churches), the holy island Lindisfarne (again, outside the churches), places in the Blue Mountains west of Sydney, to name but a few amongst locations around Australia and the world. These are places where I truly connect with the wonder and worship of God. Do you have such places? Wherever they may be for you, I invite you to join with the psalmist today in longing for those places, spaces, and opportunities where you are reminded of the awesomeness of God. God makes a home for us all, even the sparrows; and so worship can spring from us, not because it is 9.30am on a Sunday, but because God is, the world is, and you are.

Taken from With Love to the World



Lose Your Life to Keep Your Life

“Whoever seeks to keep his life lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it.” (Luke 17:33)

The great paradox of life is that those who lose their lives will gain them. This paradox becomes visible in very ordinary situations. If we cling to our friends, we may lose them, but if we are non-possessive in our relationships, we will make many friends. If fame is what we seek and desire, it often vanishes as soon as we acquire it, but if we have no need to be known, we might be remembered long after our deaths. When we want to be in the centre, we easily end up on the margins, but when we are free enough to be wherever we must be, we often find ourselves in the centre. Giving away our lives for others is the greatest of all human acts. This will gain us our lives.

Henri J. M. Nouwen

Submitted by R. Marsh



September 1

8.30am	LOCKYER HC	Rev. Corina
9.30am	DENMARK	Rev. E. Sanderson
10am	DUKE ST HC	Rev. Corina
11am	MT BARKER	S. Wilson

September 8

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

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.

August 31 Quiet Space, Wesley Church, 2-3 pm

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September 10 Lockyer Ladies Fellowship, Lockyer, 12pm

September 10 AUC Ladies Fellowship, Handasyde's, 2pm

Psalm 84

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O LORD of Hosts!
My soul longs, even faints, for the courts of the LORD:
my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.
Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she places her young near Your altars, O LORD of Hosts, my King
and my God.

How blessed are those who dwell in Your house! They are ever praising
You. Blessed is those whose strength is in You, whose hearts are set on
pilgrimage. As they pass through the Valley of Baca, they make it a place of
springs; even the autumn rain covers it with pools. They go from strength to
strength, until each appears before God in Zion. O LORD God of Hosts,
hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob. Take notice of our shield, O God,
and look with favour on the face of Your anointed. For better is one day in
Your courts than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in
the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked. For the LORD
God is a sun and a shield; the LORD gives grace and glory; He withholds no
good thing from those who walk with integrity. O LORD of Hosts, how
blessed is the man who trusts in You!

Prayers of the week

AUC: Maxine & Arthur Gunther, Sandra & Jeff Hall and their families.

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

Mt Barker: Pauline Hordacre, Caroyln & Doug Lincoln and their families.

Denmark: Ron Munro, Carmy O'Sullivan and their families.

Synod Uniting Church WA Moderator, Rev Dr Ian Tozer, and the Moderator's Chaplain. Synod Standing Committee, the Property Trust, Disaster Relief and Community Recovery Committee and the Synod Standing Appeal Panel.

Photo: Brush Box Flowers- Rev. Corina. If you have a photo you would like featured and is appropriate for the front page, please send it in. Email: unitingchurchalbany@gmail.com Hard copy photos will also be accepted.



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News & Notes

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

