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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. **13 April 2025.**





Holy Week

It is on Good Friday that we encounter Jesus' suffering at its worst. It is on Good Friday that we see the human condition in action at its worst. I am surprised, every year again, that on that day we can also find hope for a fairer world. When we can embrace our fears and sorrows, we are shown a way to go, and the earth becomes a greener place. Hope springs up and grows, and we are challenged to do the work that will give us a feeling of wellness; work that will help to further in the Kingdom.

"The Word came to me, saying: 'Mortal, say to this people: You are a land that is not cleansed. Your officials are like wolves tearing their prey, shedding blood, destroying lives to get dishonest gain. You have practiced extortion, committed robbery, oppressed the poor and needy, and extorted the immigrant'" (Ezekiel 22).

Nevertheless, violent people laugh at the thought: "How can God know? Is there knowledge in the Most High?" (Psalm 73:11) Which means, 'scream all you want; no one hears the cries of the ruined. Your God has hung a "do not disturb" sign on Heaven's door'. It is not so. The prophet Malachi (3) says: "I will speak against those who cheat employees of their wages, who oppress widows and orphans, or who deprive the foreigners living among you of justice, for these people do not fear me," says the Lord Almighty. Because "In the abundance of your trade you were filled with violence, and you sinned. . . Your heart was proud because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendour" (Ezekiel 28).

"There are those," writes the author of Proverbs (30),

DEATH WHAT A WONDERFUL WAY TO EXPLAIN IT...

A sick man turned to his doctor as he was preparing to leave the examination room and said, "Doctor, I am afraid to die. Tell me what lies on the other side." Very quietly, the doctor said, "I don't know ..." "You don't know? You're a Christian Man, and don't know what's on the other side?" The doctor was holding the handle of the door; on the other side came a sound of scratching and whining, and as he opened the door, a dog sprang into the room and leaped on him with an eager show of gladness. Turning to the patient, the doctor said, "Did you notice my dog? He's never been in this room before. He didn't know what was inside. He knew nothing except that his master was here, and when the door opened, he sprang in without fear. I know little of what is on the other side of death, but I do know one thing ... I know my Master is there and that is enough."



April 13 8.30am 9.00am 10am 11am	LOCKYER DENMARK HC DUKE ST MT BARKER HC	E. Burns Rev. Corina E. Burns Rev. Corina
April 17 5.30pm	Maundy Thursday LOCKYER	Rev. Corina
April 18 10am service at	DUKE ST & LOCKYER	combined Rev. Corina
April 20 9.30am 10am combined 11am	Easter Sunday DENMARK DUKE ST & LOCKYER service at Duke St MT BARKER	Rev. E Sanderson Rev. Corina R. Anderson

Dates every week

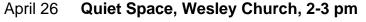
Museum: Open 9-11am, Tuesday-Thursday. Tuesday Discussion: Meets at 9.30am for 10am start at Elizabeth's place. All welcome.

Wednesday Prayer group: Meets at 10am at Heather's place. All welcome.

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

April 11 Scot's Craft Markets. 9-3pm, CWA Hall AUC Fellowship, Vancouver Café 10 am

April 17





"whose teeth are swords, whose teeth are knives, to devour the poor from off the earth".

"Stand, O Mortal, in the watchtower and scan the horizon. For there is still a vision which will eclipse the ways of the wicked. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come" (Habakkuk 2). So, amid the present global turmoil, seek the quiet of your innermost heart. A sheltering wing dwells there and a Guiding Hand – not to take you out of history's cruelty, but through it, to that horizon we see when we pray: "Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven".

Happy Easter! Blessings, Corina

Prayers of the week

AUC: John Francis, Barbara Geary and their families. Lockyer: Jan Ahern. Jennifer & Alistair Anderson and their families.

Mt Barker: Carolyn & Doug Lincoln, Anne Mackie and their families.

Denmark: Judy & Graham Wilson, Teresa, Ingrid, Renee & Evan Ayres and their families.

Synod: Bunbury St Augustine and Capel Uniting Churches Defence Force Chaplaincy.

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Email: unitingchurchalbany@gmail.com Hard copy photos will also be accepted.



News & Notes

Albany YouthCARE Council is taking part in the Containers for Change scheme. Our registration number is C10331167. Take your eligible containers to either IGA Spencer Park, or Container Recycling Depot, 93 Stead Rd, Centennial Park and quote our number. https://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa

Homeless Project Denmark (HPD Homeless Project Denmark) The main source of income for the HPD is a fundraising stall at the Denmark Sunday markets. Please leave items you want to donate in the Duke Street vestry, marked box HPD. Corina will see to it, so that they find their destination. <u>https://www.facebook.com/homelessprojectdenmark?mibextid=ZbWKwL</u>

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.

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Couperin by Candlelight: Swanharp Four invites you **Denmark**, **Albany & Mount Barker** for a service of beauty and reverent contemplation for Holy Week. This is a ticketed service, so please book ahead to join us on your favourite pew! Tuesday 15 April at 7pm, Albany Uniting Church, Duke Street, Albany. https://collections.humanitix.com/couperin-by-candlelight

