



Regional Directory

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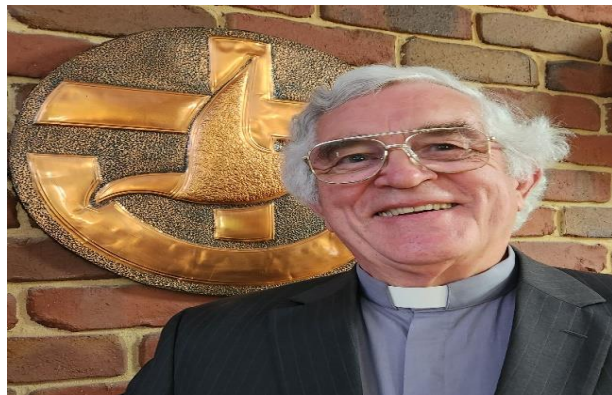
Uniting Church in Australia
Albany Region Congregations



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.

22 June 2025.



Greetings to you all on this, the 48th Anniversary of the formation of the Uniting Church in Australia. For those who were part of that formation process of bringing together the proud uniting congregations of Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Churches, there was great excitement for a very brave ecumenical venture decades in the making.

Nearly half a century later the world - and indeed the church - is a very different place. The role of the church in society is greatly diminished from what it once was. We live in a different sort of Australia where less than 50% of the nation's population openly espouse religious engagement, whether it be Christianity, or another of the many faith traditions that form the fabric of our contemporary society.

However, we are not a people without hope. As our Gospel for today emphasises (Luke 8:26-39) we are still very much in the business of naming and casting out the destructive demons and forces of evil that shatter people's lives. It is, after all at the core of our calling; to be distinctively different, rather than a pale reflection of a society increasingly resistant to Jesus' message of "Good News". We can choose to be "*distinctively different*", which after all was the founding hope of the Uniting Church from its very beginnings.

May God's peace be with you all!
Rev. Wes Hartley - Locum Minister

Finding

I found the following when looking through the 1967 copy of "The Friendship Book".

She stood alone, shivering, pale, wide-eyed. Many folk hurried across the bridge in the heart of London, all bending before the bitter wind, but the ill-clad child remained motionless.

At last one of the hurrying crowd paused, peered at the wan, thin face, noted the hands were blue with cold, and saw the bewilderment and panic lurking in those wide eyes. He was a young doctor from Ireland, and there, on a London bridge he asked one simple question – "What are you doing here?"

"Waiting for God", was the curious reply.

"But why out here?" The man's voice was gentle.

"Father is dead," said the child. "Mother just died too, but before she died she told me that God would take care of me and that I must wait for Him. I've waited for Him at home for ages and He didn't come, so now I've come out to look for Him."

Moved to tears, the young doctor said in a choking voice, "And now you have found Him!"

That could have been regarded as blasphemous, but it wasn't meant to be – and in a way it was true. Gently the young doctor led the small child to his own home, gave her warmth, food and comfort and promised her security. He kept his promise for he was the founder of Dr Barnardo's Homes.

It was on a London bridge one freezing cold night that the mighty work began.

Submitted by S. Wilson



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June 22

8.30am	LOCKYER	E. Burns
9.30am	DENMARK	T. Ayres
10am	DUKE ST	E. Burns
11am	MT BARKER	A. Hortin

June 29

8.30am	LOCKYER	E. Burns
9.30am	DENMARK	P & M Cocks
10am	DUKE ST	E. Burns
11am	MT BARKER	S. Wilson

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.

June 28 Quiet Space, Wesley Church, 2-3 pm

July

July 8 Lockyer Ladies Fellowship, Lockyer, 12pm

July 8 AUC Ladies Fellowship, Handasyde's, 2pm

July 10 AUC Church Council Meeting, Lesser Hall, 3pm

July 11 Scot's Craft Markets. 9-3pm, CWA Hall



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I would wish to thank the Albany Region Congregations and the Presbytery of WA for inviting me to be your locum Minister on a .6 (60%) basis from 1st July to 31st August, whilst your Minister Corina is on Long-Service Leave.

The majority of my time will be spent in Albany and districts, but I also will be fulfilling some of my existing responsibilities in Busselton, where my wife Beverley and I live.

However, I am accessible 24/7 on M: 0412 425 058, or by email:

whh@westnet.com.au

I look forward meeting you all in worship services. I also encourage you to contact me directly or through a member of the pastoral team if you would wish to receive a pastoral visit or to discuss aspects of the church's life.

Wes Hartley

Prayers of the week

AUC: Maria & Keith Noakes, Linda Noble and their families.

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

Mt Barker: Nita Clarke, Milly Coad and their families.

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

Synod: Methodist Ladies' College, Presbyterian Ladies' College, Scotch College, and Scarborough and Waterman's Bay Uniting Churches. The Evangelical Christian Church in Tanah Papua.

Photo: Rainbow- Marian Little. If you have a photo, you would like to feature and it 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 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. <https://www.facebook.com/homelessprojectdenmark?mibextid=ZbWKwL>

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, Lockyer and Mount Barker 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.uniting-world.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.



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The Albany Choral Society presents

In Excelsis



Schubert's *Mass in G* Vivaldi's *Gloria*

Conductor - Neville Talbot accompanied by
Albany Chamber Orchestra & Patrick Elms, organist

Wesley Uniting Church, Duke St.
Friday June 20th @ 7:30pm
Saturday June 21st @ 2:00pm

Tickets: \$35 Concession: \$30 Children: \$10
Available at Stamms and limited numbers at the door

Supported by Wesley Music