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Welcome to our service.

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

5 October 2025.



History?

Below, you will see a painting of a Dutch family on their way to the funeral of their (stillborn?) baby, about 140 years ago. Dad up front with the tiny casket under his arm, followed by seven downcast children of varying ages and grieving mum at the back of the tragic procession. The picture moved me, when I first spotted it, and it still does, today. The sadness of the children stands out. They cannot laugh and play as they otherwise would. Painful is the contrast with the young woman looking on, holding her baby, as the pale, watery blue colours add to the intensely miserable mood.



Psychiatry

Psychiatry can, and does, remove certain disabilities and resolve certain conflicts, but it cannot by itself supply our standards or values. It cannot answer any questions outside the immediate range of human personality.

I believe that those who would see in modern psychiatry something at once more efficient and more “scientific” than true religion are doomed to disappointment, for however excellent psychiatric methods may be, no adjustment can be provided towards any supra-human purpose in life and no connection made with any resource outside human personality.

Such further integration may be, and of course sometimes is, provided even unconsciously by the psychiatrist, but that is because he is she is a person of faith themselves and not because they are a practitioner in psychiatry. They have to go beyond their function as a scientist if they are to adjust their patient to a world of spiritual reality.

Taken from Selected Readings by J.B. Phillips.

Submitted by S. Wilson



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October 5

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

October 12

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

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: In recess.

- Oct 10 Scot's Craft Markets. 9-3pm, CWA Hall
- Oct 14 Lockyer Ladies Fellowship, Lockyer, 12pm
- Oct 14 AUC Ladies Fellowship, Handasyde's, 2pm
- Oct 16 AUC Fellowship, Vancouver Café 10 am



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History. Yes. Yet this image evokes others, photos taken in Gaza, Israel, Ukraine and Russia, and many other places. Images of dead or dying children, of grieving parents, siblings, neighbours. Images of toddlers and babies killed in pointless violence, not succumbing to natural causes. Photos of children dying of hunger. These deaths should be history, no longer happening today. The grief, shock, agony, anger, trauma caused by human cruelty remain the same throughout the ages. We so need peace, we so desperately need peace in our world, in our direct environment, in ourselves. Pray for peace. Breathe in God's love and breathe out peace. In Jesus' name, the one who was acquainted with grief, the Prince of Peace.

Blessings, Corina

Prayers of the week

AUC: Beth Blight, Carmen, Todd, Jeanie, Lilian & Amelia Burgess and their families.

Lockyer: Joan Wright, Jan Ahern and their families.

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

Denmark: Carlien Trotter, Judy & Graham Wilson and their families.

Synod: Armadale, Mundijong and Gosnells Uniting Churches; and the Tapu Niue Faith Community Kiribati Uniting Church.

Photo: Denmark Inlet- M Hannington. 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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Soup Kitchen: (FREE) Friday, 3rd October 2025, from 12pm to 1pm at the CWA Hall, 96 Serpentine Rd. Come along and enjoy soup, sandwiches and sweets plus tea and coffee.
Contact Anne 0412 937 641.

