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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.

16 November 2025.



A Taste of Rituals

Last week a small group started a 'Taste of Spirituality' journey. The theme we began with is 'rituals'. I share one of the rituals with you here, so that you can get some idea of what the group has to offer.

Of course, you can read books, and experiment with different ideas and shapes and forms on your own. Coming to a group has the advantage of sharing experiences and ideas (three people really know more than just one). A group also offers an opportunity to make new friends, deepen existing connections and, last, but not least, laugh together.

There is still room at the meeting table for some more people to join. You don't have to come every week.

The take home ritual people left with last week is one about making phone calls more meaningful:

Before picking up the phone, pause before you call.

Picture yourself as being one in body and soul with the person you will call. This brief prayer might preface your dialling:

Thank you God,
for filling our world with wonders.
I thank you for the gift of this phone
that will allow me to hear the voice of

and him/her to hear mine.

May this call bring us closer together until we truly become one in you. Amen

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When the call has ended, pause



Psalm for Today: 98 Modern Version

How different God's creation is from human conflict. The clamour of human strife creates a cacophony Like orchestras competing with their conductor, nations murder each other's melodies. But God has other music.

The colours of nature never clash with each other. In a garden, every shade of leaf and flower joins in a joyous chorus; bare branch and bonsai provide a counterpoint balancing the beauty of blossoms.

In the depth of the jungle, the sounds of termite and tiger weave a wondrous harmony;

Eerie descants echo through the ocean's deeps; the rhythm of life throbs in every cell,

And the seasons swell and ebb away. From the farthest nebulae to the tiniest atom, all creation dances to honour its choreographer.

And God applauds each performance.

By James Taylor

Submitted by E. Burns



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November 16

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

November 23

8.30am	LOCKYER	Rev. Corina
9.30am	DENMARK	D. Laffin
10am	DUKE ST	Rev. Corina
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: A Taste of Spirituality Meets from 10am - 11am at Corina's place. 38 Miramar Road, Mira Mar. All welcome.

November

November 14 Scot's Craft Markets. 9-3pm, CWA Hall

November 20 AUC Fellowship. Vancouver Café 10am

November 29 Quiet Space, Wesley Church, 2-3 pm



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and rejoice in the connection, the communion you feel.

Lift the person with whom you have spoken into the heart of God.

A brief closing prayer could be:

I lift up my heart to you in gratitude, God, for the gift of:

and for the wondrous gift of this phone that has made our time together possible. Amen

For answering each phone call (after you have located your phone) there is a small ritual as well. SMILE. Answering a call with a smile on your face can (and will) change the tone of your voice and have a positive effect on the entire conversation.

SMILE!

Blessings, Corina

Prayers of the week

AUC: Clare Ferry, Helena Fong and their families.

Lockyer: Jan Ahern, Jennifer & Alistair Anderson and their families.

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

Denmark: Margaret & Phil Cocks, Ruth Kershaw and their families.

Synod: Katanning & Kojonup Uniting Churches. Synod of Queensland.

Photo: Denmark River- 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.



Lions Christmas cakes: Large (1.5kg) are \$20. Small ones (1kg) are \$16. Call Marian to order 0428 412 825.



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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.

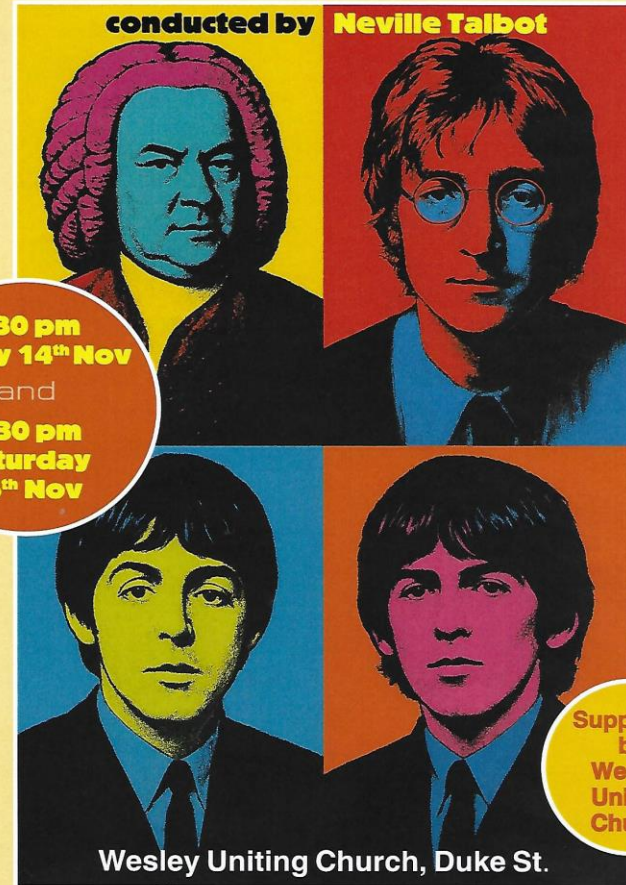


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Albany Choral Society PRESENTS **Back to Beatles**

conducted by **Neville Talbot**

**7.30 pm
Friday 14th Nov
and
2.30 pm
Saturday
15th Nov**



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Wesley Uniting Church, Duke St.

**Tickets: Stamms Emporium or at the door
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