

# WESLEY NEWS

## OCTOBER DIARY DATES

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 am  
Rev Alex Rodgers  
*Holy Communion*  
PENTECOST 17

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> at 2.00 pm  
CHURCH COUNCIL

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 am  
Rev Alex Rodgers  
PENTECOST 18

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm  
*WINTER/SPRING  
CONCERT*

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 am  
Rev Alex Rodgers  
PENTECOST 19

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm  
*CHURCH FAMILY  
BARBECUE*

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 am  
Rev Alex Rodgers  
PENTECOST 20

## MUSIC @ WESLEY

**Choir Practice**  
Wednesday evenings in the  
Choir Vestry at 7.30 pm

## ARTS @ WESLEY

**Patchworkers & Quilters**  
Monday morning in the  
Susannah Wesley Hall  
Contact Pat: 8331 9816

## WESLEY IS HOME TO

**Young Adelaide Voices**  
**Adelaide Harmony Choir**  
**Metropolitan Musical**  
**Theatre Company**  
**Monteverdi Singers**

## MINISTERIAL MEANDERING

September is about to move into October, and the weather is beginning to change. Nights are still quite cold but the days are beginning to warm up. This is the time of year I really like.

Spring is in the air and all around us nature is waking up and beginning to paint the world around us in new fresh colours.

We have bought a pet bird, Billy Boy, a Cockatiel who is very friendly and comes out of his cage to sit on my shoulder and as I wander around my study he chitters away in my ear and sometimes flies about for a minute or two before coming back to land on me. It is nice to have a part of nature living with us and we are glad to have him join the family – although our pet dog, honey, doesn't like Billy boy very much and every time she sees him see barks very loudly!

My granddaughter comes and visits us on weekends sometimes and she is a bit scared of both the dog and the bird. She is quite nervous around animals and despite our efforts she seems unable to deal with them on a friendly basis.

I wonder when and how the first animals were domesticated. In ancient times, who made the effort to train the first domesticated cow or dog and in doing so changed the world? It must have been a magic moment because it allowed people to change from being hunters and gatherers to farmers. They could then settle down in one place and build communities which grew into towns and cities and the modern world is the result. All of this because somewhere sometimes someone made the effort to domesticate an animal.

Amazing!!

Blessings,  
Alex



As the weather warms and Spring's warmth seeps into cold bones, so it reminds us of God's love seeping into our lives, soaking into our souls, surrounding us at all times.



Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.

*His love endures forever.*

Give thanks to the God of gods.

*His love endures forever.*

Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

*His love endures forever.*

Psalm 136:1-3

And hope does not put us to shame, because **God's love** has been **poured out** into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. Thank you merciful God for your amazing love. Thank you for the warmth your love brings to our lives. Thank you for your love that seeps and soaks into our lives and surrounds us wherever we are.

Romans 5:5

Today we pray for those who feel unloved, for those in our world without hope.

We pray for those thinking about ending it all. We pray for those who are lonely, depressed or struggling with life.

*Amen*

Lord God, as you have poured out your love into my heart, help me to share and to show your love to all around me, in my family, my work, my church and my life.

We give thanks to you: your love endures forever!

*Amen.*

*"Reflection" UC eNews*



**Wesley Uniting Church Kent Town**  
27 Grenfell Street, Kent Town



## WINTER/SPRING 2019 CONCERT SERIES



The next concert will be held on **Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019** at

**2.00 pm**, and features Soprano/Harpist, **Emma Horwood** and organist, **Gregory Crawford**. Tickets are available at the door for \$15. Afternoon Tea will be available in the Mark Symons hall following the concert.

## CHURCH FAMILY BARBECUE

Everyone is invited to share in a barbecue lunch at the home of Rev Alex Rodgers and his wife, Elaine on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October from 12.30 pm**. To assist with catering, please let Jenny Stewart know if you are able to come. The address is 22 Victoria Terrace, Williamstown. If you need a lift, just ask and we will organise for someone to give you a ride. Hope to see you there!



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Remembrance Day Service:**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00 am**



**St Andrew's Day Service:**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00 am**

Please invite family and friends along to these two special services..

## NEWS OF OUR PEOPLE

**Penelope Hackett-Jones** has a new granddaughter, Vivienne Celeste, who was born on 8th July. Vivienne is grandchild number 7 for Penelope and the third child for Mary and Gabriel. By all accounts brothers, Arthur and Frederick, adore their new little sister. Gabriel flew in from Istanbul and arrived just in time for the birth. They have all now returned to Istanbul but plan to come back to Adelaide again in January, when it is likely that Vivienne will be baptised. Mary, Arthur and Frederick were all baptised in this church.

**Mac & Margaret Macdonald** are still enjoying their overseas trip and sent us greetings via a post card featuring the Temppeleaukio Church in Helsinki. Excavated directly into solid rock and situated in the heart

of Helsinki the church is a major tourist attraction. The domed roof and encircling windows are visible in the photo. We



We look forward to their return later in the month.

**Deborah White** has been away in Italy and will return mid-October. She really enjoys attending a series of music festivals each time she visits. We will be pleased to see, and hear, her back in the choir on her return.

**Margaret Harkness** flew to Canada recently for a month's holiday. She travelled by train down from Vancouver to Tacoma in Oregon where she met up with a friend and enjoyed some of the sites in that region. **MT RANIER, OREGON**



WATERFALL FROM TRAIN CARRIAGE

**Bev Jury** took a bus trip to Western Australia. She particularly enjoyed Esperance and doing some whale-watching on the Great Australian Bight.



**Pam & David George** are still away in their caravan. Currently they are staying in the small New South Wales town of Chinderah just south of Tweed Heads. They leave there in late October but will not be back in Adelaide until the end of November.

**Beryl Kennett** is enjoying being able to move around more freely after an extended period of recuperation. She has spent some time with family in Melbourne and is then going to Hobart where her son lives.

## JUST A THOUGHT

“At the end of the day, life should ask, ‘Do you want to save changes?’”



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