



The Grapevine 18/10/2020

The Vines Uniting Church

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FAITH is like a #5 Farmer 2 Tim 2:1-7

Land is an evocative conflict point. Currently Armenia and Azerbaijan are fighting over land. Ownership and Property is hotly contested. The history of the world is one of conquest and subjugation. The bible records this tension constantly. Land is about home, nationhood and about the capacity to feed oneself.

Living in South Australia we recognise that the land on which we meet is Kaurna land. For thousands of years before European settlement Aboriginals not only lived off the land but their lives were spirituality connected to the Great Southern land.

Paul is not concerned about the political implications of land, having already used soldier, athlete as metaphors for faith, he adds another by linking Faith to being a farmer. I cannot easily relate to being a farmer without real firsthand experiences or examples.

Q. What examples from farming apply to faith do you think?

The elephant in the room for me is that there are so many things beyond my control: too much rain, not enough, too much heat, not enough, natural disasters, world prices for produce etc. It just seems too hard!

What happens when things are beyond our control? Giving into despair maybe understandable, but it ends up crippling us. Like a soldier and athlete, working in the midst of hardship is a core part of daily life. While the farmer works hard in preparation; ploughing, planting, weeding, watering etc., a bigger perspective of HOPE is required to sustain the farmer through each season.

Rev DJPrior

OUR MISSION:

*To be a vibrant, growing community of faith,
reaching out in God's love, bringing others to Christ.*

I will be taking leave commencing Wednesday 21st October for 4 to 6 weeks.

I will prepare the Grapevine for 25th October, but after that, please send your Grapevine entries to Chris DeCaux.

Please advise Judy Beames or Lynn Ellison if you need help with Humanitix bookings or cancellations:

Judy Beames (H: 83220892 M: 0402 249 324)
or Lynn Ellison (H: 8387 3903 M: 0431 995 480)

Colleen



We would like to thank the Church Family for all their prayers, phone calls, cards, flowers, visits and food during Alice's time in hospital, rehabilitation and now at home.

The support has been appreciated in these very trying and difficult times.

Love, Malcolm & Alice Baldock

Elaine Manson is offering to do a bulk order to save you postage on

The Leprosy Mission Christmas Catalogue

***It will be available in the foyer from
Sunday 18th till Sunday 25th October.***

***Lots to offer
including Christmas Cards, Gifts, etc.***

***If orders exceed \$150 then postage is free, otherwise
the postage needed will be shared equally.***

***Please fill in an order form available either in the catalogue
or A4 Sheet provided.***

***Orders can be placed in Elaine's pigeonho
NO Money required till goods arrive.***

LIVE STREAMED SERVICE

Please use the following link to access Sunday's live streamed service:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=the+vines+uniting+church

Join us for online tea and coffee after church again this Sunday

This Sunday, 18th October there will be another VIRTUAL coffee and tea after Church via Zoom. Visitors welcome!

START TIME SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER.

Log in between **11:00am – 11:30am** via video conference software called Zoom. Free

Simply click on the link below and you will be automatically sent to the group chat.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5418125736> Meeting ID: 541 812 5736

Please contact Adrian Spencer if you need help.

SUNDAY 10 AM

ZOOM Children's Sunday Morning Chat 10.00 am with Rev David and co.

If you have Grandchildren who may be interested, then email Rev David on davidjprior@bigpond.com by end of Friday to get linked in.

BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUNDAY SERVICE:

Tickets can be booked through **Humanitix** from 3pm on Sunday, until 11 am on Friday. Google **Humanitix**, click on "events", and in the box that says "search events" type in "The Vines Uniting Church". Click on the event to book your tickets. Please fill in your phone number should the need for Covid tracking ever arise.

Should you need **TO CANCEL** your tickets, please let

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know by **4 pm on Thursday 22nd October**, (unless there are unexpected circumstances).

Please do not attend the Sunday Service if you are at all unwell.

Next Week:

25th October - Rev. David Prior

“Be STRONG in the LORD, PUT ON THE WHOLE ARMOUR
TO STAND FIRM.”

Eph 6:10 – 18

P21 #1 Truth - Belt



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Remember OUR key MESSAGE:

“Phone a Friend and Choose Life”

‘Cos you can’t catch the virus over the phone...
But you can pass on God’s love!’

Please send
Newsletter articles to
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