



# The Grapevine 7/3/2021

## The Vines Uniting Church

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### **WEEK 3: WHOSE HOUSE IS IT ANYWAY? Jn 2:13 – 22**

When we have a house that we consider our home, most of us get protective over it. No one wants people coming in and making a mess, trashing the joint, let alone bringing a whole pile of strangers and animals into the house. Jesus seemed to feel the same way as he cleansed the Temple with the help of a whip and an aggressive disposition:

*<sup>16</sup> “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!”*

Was Jesus justified in his anger, did his expression match the severity of the event? There are two key points I want to focus on

1. “WHY did Jesus get angry?” and what is the meaning of
2. “Our Body as the Temple of God?”

The second question is drawn from 1 Cor. 3:16 (The Message)

*<sup>16</sup> **You realize, don’t you, that you are the temple of God, and God himself is present in you?***

My father Graham made the comment;

*“if this body is the place where God chooses to reside, then I ought to... respect it, honour it and look after it. For those who feel their temple is a little worse for wear, and... is a bit saggy baggy, take heart, Paul also likens it to a tent!*

So how does Jesus’ response to Injustice, the destruction of the Jewish Temple, correlate with our bodies as the Temple of God?

I hope you enjoy exploring the Lenten Studies as either a group activity or as part of your personal devotions – grow your faith!

Peace, Rev DJPrior



## OUR MISSION:

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



**Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** is the next date for ***the Vines Market*** at the Reynella Neighbourhood Centre, cnr. Reynell Rd and Old South Road. **The Vines Uniting Church** will again have a stall at this event. There will be plants, craft, baked goods and various other items. It will have an Easter theme and anything you might like to provide will be gratefully received. **Margaret Close** will put together some Easter gift baskets and any contributions to those would be very helpful. Please speak to Margaret if you can help. We will also have Easter eggs to give away. Help behind the counter would be appreciated. Please let Marj know if you would like to take a turn.

**If you have any other queries, have a chat with Marj or Leon.**

Preparation of **[The Vines Uniting Church 2021 Directory](#)** has begun. with a hope that it can be available in late April.

**Have any of your details changed since the 2019 Directory?**

**If you haven't registered changes at the office you'll need to update the information for inclusion in the new Directory**

**Elaine Manson will be in the foyer after worship on Sunday 28th February and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March to assist you with changes/additions/deletions of address/email/mobile numbers.**

**Alternatively you can email Elaine with any changes via email**

**[scrunchs@internode.on.net](mailto:scrunchs@internode.on.net)**

## LIVE STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICES

Each Sunday our worship services at the Vines can be accessed live at 9:30am via our YouTube channel. Please use the following link to access our services,

[https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=the+vines+uniting+church](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=the+vines+uniting+church)

After the livestream, each service will remain on our YouTube channel for watching later they can be accessed using the same link.

***This Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> March will be Communion Sunday.***



## **HUMANITIX BOOKINGS AND QR CODES.**

Thanks to those who have been booking their free tickets on Humanitix. This ensures that you have a seat, as we remain on restricted numbers. If you do attend without a booking, depending on numbers, you may be asked to sit in an overflow room, i.e. the crèche or the church foyer.

Upon arrival, **please scan into the church using The Vines Uniting Church SA Govt QR Code which is on display in several places in the foyer and on the front windows.** This is a mandatory Govt. requirement as of 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. (The only exception to this is those who have no smart phone).

Before walking into the worship hall, please see the person who has the Humanitix attendance list, to enable them to tick your name on the list.

Thank you, The Covid Committee

## ***Voting at the Congregational Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> March 2021.***

*For members at the Vines who are unable to attend the service on 14/3/2021 or the Congregational Meeting, but would still like the opportunity to vote for CC members/Elders, please advise Colleen and she will mail you a voting slip prior to the meeting. Your name will be on the slip, which you can post back to the church or deliver to the Church letterbox, or to the office on Wednesday morning, prior to the meeting. 51% of the total vote is needed for votes to carry.*

*Only the scrutineer will see the name on the slip, the vote will of course remain confidential. Please let Colleen know as soon as possible if you'd like to do a postal vote.*

*Thank you!*

**Remember OUR key MESSAGE:**

**Connect with others and Choose life  
'Cos to Grow stronger through COVID**

***We have to pass on God's love!***



Next week:



## Week 4: DO THE TRUTH

*Our Children's Church....Sessions will be held fortnightly, during the services at the Church.*

*See the table below for the scheduled weeks.*



07/03	Sunday 7th March
21/03	Sunday 21st March
04/04	Sunday 4th April (Easter Weekend)



*Kristen Waters and Renjini Samuel*

### NAME TAGS

*Please take your name tag and wear it for the benefit of new people in our congregation. When you are leaving, please take it home with you, to wear when you next attend.*

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by 12 noon Wednesday

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