



# The VINES Uniting Church

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**THE GRAPEVINE – 30<sup>th</sup> April , 2023.**

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## **RADICAL HOSPITALITY.**

One of the delights of life is to offer and receive hospitality, to find shelter, acceptance, and nourishment with others. This is especially so for the Christian church, which has received from God a calling to model this daily.

Five practices of fruitful congregations have been identified. Today we look at the first of these: *Radical hospitality*. It goes beyond merely sharing with family and friends to a radical concern for The Other - who may be quite different from us - so that we model the grace and love of Jesus. It is radical because it is more challenging, and counter-cultural, than our usual hospitality with good friends. It is also radical because it requires us to look, and act, beyond the church building. *Radical hospitality* is, however, what helps our ministries to bear fruit.

Today I invite you to consider your response to the biblical call to care - and think about how you will practice *radical hospitality* daily.

*Ian*



❖ **OUR VISION:**

*To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.*

❖ **OUR MISSION:**

*To reach out and reflect God's Love –connecting others to Christ.*

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Offerings for March were \$8,255, which is \$440 below budget. Total offerings for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2023 are under budget by \$1,600.

The Market on 15<sup>th</sup> April raised \$3,000, with some small payments still to come.

Neil Satterley  
Treasurer



Coffee & Chat

**"FRIDAY FRIENDS" ...Friday April 28<sup>th</sup>, 10am-11.30am.**

Another great opportunity to build connections, make new friends and simply have a lovely, relaxed morning over coffee (or tea!) and lovely food.

Maybe bring a neighbour or a friend or just come to chat with a friend whom you have not yet met.

Hoping to see you there.

**REV. DJP's ABSENCE**

*Reverend Ian Kitto is working .6 at the Vines for the next few weeks in Rev. DJP's absence.*

*Rev. DJP is receiving treatment in ICU at the Lyell McEwin Hospital, for a virus which has affected his immune system and mobility. He is thankful for your love, thoughts and prayers. Please be aware that at present he has no energy to be able to respond to emails, or chat with people.*

*His wife, Ellie, writes on David's behalf that he is receiving the best of care and feeling blessed and fortunate that he lives in Australia, noting that we truly do have a wonderful health care service,*

*Please continue to pray for Rev. DJP, for God's healing touch and for His miracle of healing. Please also pray for Rev. DJP's family as they support him through this difficult time.*

## **ADULT FELLOWSHIP - 63<sup>RD</sup> BIRTHDAY**

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May we are celebrating our 63<sup>rd</sup> birthday with a luncheon at Woodcroft Tavern.

Please meet at the Vines car park at 11.45 as the luncheon is booked for 12 o'clock.

Members of the congregation are most welcome to join us.

Please ring Pam on 83811727 to make a booking or if you have any queries.

## ***Home Aloners***

Will meet at The Oldy, Old Noarlunga

38 Patapinda Road

for Lunch on Tuesday May 2 at 12.15pm

Please let us know by Sunday April 30 if you are able to attend to enable us to confirm numbers.

Bob Stone 0439 817 613

Bob Manson 0499 001 883

## **FOOD PARCEL MINISTRY**

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support for this ministry. This week we need the following items:

- Jam
- Long Life Milk
- Tinned Fish
- Or a cash donation marked "Food Parcel Ministry".
- Tinned Fruit
- Toiletries
- Cereal
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce

Thank you again,  
Peter Croft and the Pastoral team.

*Rev. Ian Kitto*

***Our goal this year:  
To reconnect  
with the  
wider community  
and show God's Love***



### **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.

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