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THE GRAPEVINE – 21st May, 2023.

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Luke 24:13-35

“WHY EVERYONE NEEDS AN EMMAUS ROAD EXPERIENCE.”

Not much is told in the Bible about this road to Emmaus, only that it was about 7 miles from Jerusalem. One commentator suggests that it was the name of hot springs. The spiritual meaning of the word Emmaus means “an earnest longing.” Historians tell us there is no known town by that name in ancient sources. Could this mean that Emmaus is “nowhere” OR Emmaus is “everywhere”!

Here we find two men walking in the evening from Jerusalem to Emmaus, shortly after they have been told the Lord has risen. We know these men are disciples and one of them is named Cleopas. By reading the context of conversation you feel the downcast spirit in these two as you follow their conversation. They are devastated, lost in grief and pain because Jesus had promised so much, but he has been cruelly crucified and buried. Yes! The women had told them he was alive...but that is not possible after what they had seen.

But as they spoke they had a visitor who joined them along their way who would change their walk to Emmaus forever; MEETING JESUS ON THE WAY.

Marj Dredge

❖ **OUR VISION:**

To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.

❖ **OUR MISSION:**

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

The Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea....

will be celebrated next Thursday.... May 25th as part of Creative Connection here at The Vines.

All are welcome... to enjoy Morning Tea, good friends and make a donation to the Cancer Council.

There will also be a display of collected nutcrackers.... and you are welcome to check out some of the things being created at Creative Connection.

Arrive around 10:20am..... and be prepared to donate.... and enjoy!

FRIDAY FRIENDS



Friday 26th May is the next Friday Friends get together; 10am-11.30am. We will be celebrating Australia's Biggest Morning Tea as we seek to make a contribution to Cancer Research. Lots of nice food, great company and pleasant conversation. Bring a friend or make new ones. Everyone welcome.

PASTORAL CARE

The Pastoral Care Team is seeking to increase the breadth of pastoral care for our church community. We are not asking that you join a committee! This will be coordinated by the team and what we need is a list of people who we could call on to help in time of need. This may be as simple as making a phone call, or paying a visit, or maybe providing a meal, which could be kept in the church freezer for an emergency. If you are interested to minister in either of these ways, could you please speak to Jacqui or Marj

REV. DJP

Please pray daily for Rev. DJP, for his healing and for strength as he endures this illness. Please also pray for his family as they support him through this difficult time. It is our hope and prayer that Rev. DJP will be restored to good health and we are thankful that he is receiving good care at the Lyell McEwin Hospital.



*****Urgent - PROPERTY CONVENOR – CAN YOU HELP?**

Owing to Leon's health concerns, we need someone willing to take on the role of property convenor. Please note that this is not a one-person job, there is a team who will help with things, but a convenor is needed to delegate tasks. We are thankful to Leon for his work so far, but he is no longer able to fill the role.

Please speak with Leon if you feel called to do this; 0438 292 877 for more details.

PACKING DAY 2023

Packing Day plans for this year are commencing, with Sunday 4th June to Wednesday 7th June being the days set to pack 170 boxes of goods to support predominantly Indigenous communities in Central North and West Australia. As per last year, much of this will be sent via the willing "Grey Nomads" transport.

On Sunday 14th, 21st and 28th May there will be boxes in the foyer for any donations. Please read the lists on the boxes for relevant clothes and other general requirements.

With thanks
Margaret Prescott
The Vines Adult Fellowship

FOOD PARCEL MINISTRY

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

- Tea
- Tinned Vegetables
- Toiletries
- Or a cash donation marked "Food Parcel Ministry".
- Tinned Fruit
- Sugar
- Soup
- Tinned Fish

Thank you again,
Leon and the Pastoral team.

Next Week

A representative from Generate Presbytery will visit the Vines in Rev. DJP's and Rev. Ian Kitto's absence.

***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

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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