

## **WHAT'S COMING UP AT THE VINES**

**10<sup>th</sup> December (Second Tuesday of each month) – CIRCLE OF FRIENDS**

from 1.30 to 3.00 pm at the Church.

Circle of Friends is for ANY women to come and share a cuppa and a chat!

Any questions: Please contact Verelle 0439 833 837

## **END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**, Verelle's piano students will be presenting an end of year performance, commencing at 2.00 pm at the Vines.

All are welcome to attend.

Afternoon Tea will be served at the conclusion of the performance.

Entry will be by a donation of goods for Pantry 152.

## **SERVICE IN THE PARK**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December**

Bring a chair and enjoy your picnic lunch to enjoy after the service.

**19<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

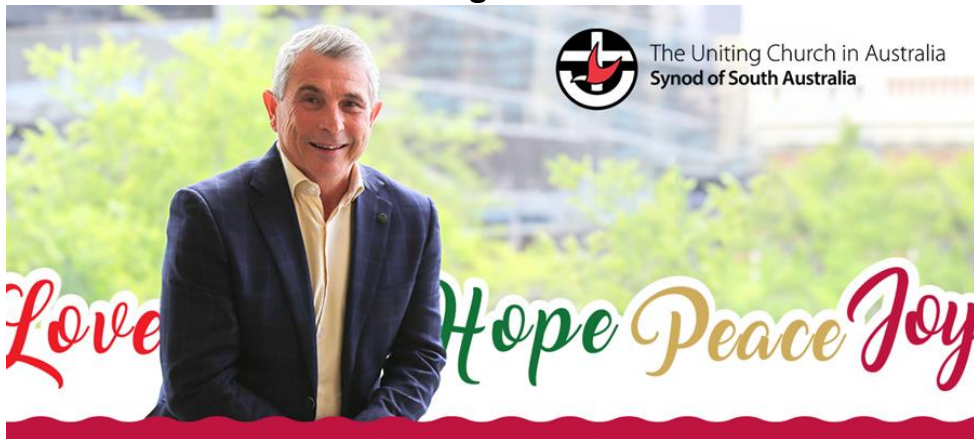
**Vanessa Kersting**

we will be blessed with the music ministry of Vanessa Kersting.

31<sup>st</sup> January, the last Friday of the month - **FRIDAY FRIENDS**

An opportunity to have a friendly chat and a coffee, with morning tea provided, for a gold coin donation. ***All welcome.***

## Moderator's Christmas Message



This year the Moderator's Christmas Message focuses on the themes 'We love, because God first loved us' (1 John 4:19) and 'Through their Eyes.' With an emphasis on love, hope, peace and joy the Moderator urges us all to consider these words throughout all of our lives. He also encourages us to be 'peacemakers,' acknowledging that we are experiencing increased conflict and war across the world. The full video is now available on the Synod website at this link: [UCA SA - Christmas 2024](#).

## Advance Notice for Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January



During our service on 19<sup>th</sup> January we will be blessed with the music ministry of Vanessa Kersting. You may recall our service on 24<sup>th</sup> November started with one of Vanessa's songs, "**Before there was time**", from her album "**From the Bathroom Floor**". Vanessa is a gifted musician and songwriter – here's a little about her from her website:

*Vanessa Kersting is an Australian born singer songwriter who recently moved to the USA.*

*Vanessa was named in 2022 as an up and coming Australian Artist and her music can be heard on radio stations across Australia, New Zealand, the USA, and the UK. ...*

*... Vanessa has toured throughout Australia and all over the world. With the themes of love and hope in her music, Vanessa is passionate to see the truth of the gospel permeate deep into people's souls and uses this as a basis every time she sings and speaks.*

If you'd like to have a sneak preview of Vanessa's music, here's a link to her website - <https://vanessakersting.com/videos/>

We hope you can join us on 19<sup>th</sup> January. The service will be one of our Café-style services.

Blessings to you all  
The Vines Worship Team

### **WORSHIP TEAM - 2025**

People are being encouraged to “come on board” in 2025 to join the Worship Team, assisting in any of the following ways:

- ❖ Leaders
- ❖ Musicians
- ❖ Singers
- ❖ Bible Readings
- ❖ Prayers of Intercession
- ❖ Sound system
- ❖ Data Projection
- ❖ Camera.

Please speak to a member of the Worship team if you would be interested in serving in these areas, or feel called to take part in any of these roles in 2025 at the Vines.

### **Live-Streaming of services:**

We will be taking a break from live streaming again this year. Please note that there will be no services live-streamed after Christmas Day – the first service to be live-streamed in the new year will be Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. And if you do watch from home, you will be most welcome to join us in the Church on the Sundays after Christmas if you are able to – we would love to see you.

### **URGENT -ARE YOU ABLE/WILLING TO HELP?**

Rosalie and Neil have faithfully helped with church cleaning every 7 weeks over a long period of time. They will no longer be able to help with this from 6<sup>th</sup> December (next week) onwards.

A light clean only is needed in any areas that are unclean/messy as the paid cleaner does a thorough clean every fortnight in between.

Please speak with one of the Elders as soon as possible if you would like to help, usually once every 7 weeks for approx. 1 hour.

### **Advance Notice:**

*The last Grapevine for  
2024 will be on Sunday  
15<sup>th</sup> December.*

*It will recommence on  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January  
2025.*

*Colleen*