



# The VINES Uniting Church

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THE GRAPEVINE – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025

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## LOST & FOUND

I look forward to joining you at The Vines this Sunday, particularly after tracking the journey and supporting your leadership in the background over the past three years. My own adventure has taken me from youth leadership into ordained ministry in a variety of contexts, having served on the Eyre Peninsula, in Echunga, and most recently on the team at Aberfoyle Park. Through my part-time role as Adelaide & South Hub leader for Generate Presbytery, I have also been able to connect with many churches who remain a faithful presence in their communities yet find engaging with those outside challenging. We are certainly living in an ever-changing world.

Reading through the New Testament this year, I have just completed the Gospel of Luke. What struck me afresh was the clarity Jesus has around his purpose. One example can be found in a conversation with Zacchaeus the tax collector, where Jesus declares, "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." (Luke 19:10). We do not need to read far into scripture to find evidence of Jesus' heart for the lost, both in word and action. As one who seeks to follow Jesus, however, I am challenged as to whether I wake up each day with that same focus. Practically, how is a heart for the lost reflected in my daily actions? Jesus offers us all some encouragement and challenge as together we walk in his footsteps.

Rev Matthew Carratt

Adelaide & South Hub Leader, Generate Presbytery  
Generations Pastor, Seeds Uniting Church

❖ OUR VISION:

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

❖ OUR MISSION:

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

*A warm welcome to Rev. Matt Carratt. Thank you Matt, for being with us this morning to preach.*

### HOME ALONERS

This month we will take a short drive in the country to Willunga  
on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Lunch will be at **The Willunga Hotel** ( The Middle Pub )

5 High Street Willunga, at 12 noon.

Please let us know if you can attend by Sunday June 1st

Bob Stone 0439 817 613 or Bob Manson 0499 001 883

Hope to see you there.

### [A reminder that FRIDAY FRIENDS is happening again on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> May.](#)

10.00 to 11.30 am You are all welcome to come along for a cuppa, bring a friend if you like, and enjoy home-made food and a friendly chat, all for a gold coin donation. All proceeds are in aid of Pantry 152.

### OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you are new to the Church and would like to have some weekly offering envelopes, please take some from the table in the church foyer.

The sets for this year will expire at the end of June, but new ones will be available again after that.

If you would like to donate items to Pantry 152, updated lists of items that are needed are available in the church foyer.

## **PACKING DAY 2025**

Boxes are in the foyer for this week only for your suitable donations of clothing etc. for the indigenous communities in Central, North and West Australia. Lists of requirements are with the boxes, together with spare lists if needed. Some of the donations are delivered to "Tropics sites", and some go to "In-land sites", so materials can differ for sites. Please check the lists and place your goods in the appropriate boxes. If you have any queries, please contact Margaret Prescott on 8312 2319.

In addition to the lists is a request for items to sell at an "Old Timers' Fete"

### **Types of Products required are:**

- Children's clothing.
- Baby clothing and goods.
- Beanies
- Toys, especially knitted and soft toys.
- Jewellery.
- Bathroom goods, e.g. fancy soaps, face washers, talc powder, etc. packed for gift giving.
- Blankets/rugs, e.g., crocheted, knitted, patchwork, etc.
- Fancy coat hangers.
- Aprons, especially full size, pot-holders, oven mitts.
- Tea cosies, bed socks.
- Shopping bags, storage bags.
- Manchester –towels, kitchen towels, tea towels, pillowcases.
- Stationery – pens, pencils, note pads, etc.
- Craft supplies.

### **BANK ACCOUNT – OFFERING**

For members of our congregation who wish to give with flexibility on time and amount, The Vines church has set up a bank account with Westpac to receive such offerings. The details are:

Name of Account - Vines Uniting Church BSB 035 053

Account Number 479588

No further details will be required so the information will remain private.

Colin Dredge, Acting Treasurer.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June  
Kelly Beames – Schools Ministry Group



*Our Goal*  
*To reconnect  
with  
the community  
and share  
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/@thevinesunitingchurch6373/streams>

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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