

# The VINES Uniting Church

152 Reynell Road Woodcroft SA 5162



## THE GRAPEVINE - 20th July 2025

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# Humanly speaking, it's impossible, but with God, all things are possible. Matthew 19:26

There is an alarming degree of despair, even hopelessness in our world as we're bombarded with disturbing news regarding Russia, Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, The United States. Leaders, some claiming to be democratic and peace loving, enforcing themselves on others, claiming that they are right and justified in their actions regardless of the wholesale slaughter of innocent people.

How do we as Christians hold to our beliefs in the grace and power of God in the face of so many things that leave us feeling powerless?

How do we respond to the daily onslaught of bad news? How do we pray?

Is it a denial of our faith to feel powerless and in despair? There are many more passages of Scripture other than Matthew 19:26 that address this question.

Today, I will try to open doors of understanding to some of these painful issues.

Peace and Love, Malcolm

- OUR VISION:
  - To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.
- **❖** OUR MISSION:

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

#### **VINES VARIETY AFTERNOON**

#### SUNDAY 3RD AUGUST AT 2.00 PM at the church

Sundays in winter can often be cold and bleak.

Come to our Variety Afternoon and find friends to share a cuppa with, something tasty to snack on and a program of...

Songs to sing along to
Music to listen to and
Puzzles to make you think...and smile!

Entry by Donation to Pantry 152.

**ALL WELCOME. See you there!** 

If you are able to help supply finger food for afternoon tea, please leave a message in Verelle's pigeon hole or speak to Rob or Verelle Fudge.

<u>A reminder that FRIDAY FRIENDS</u> is happening again on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> July.

10.000 to 11.30 am.

All are welcome to come along for a cuppa, home-made food and a friendly chat – for a gold coin donation.

All proceeds are in aid of Pantry 152.

Alan Weightman's funeral was held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>. His family would like to thank everyone who assisted, attended, and sent their well wishes.

From Nancy.

#### Pantry 152

If you would like to donate grocery items, there is a wider list of suggestions available in the foyer. Particular needs at this time are:

Cornflakes Strawberry Jam

❖ Savoury biscuits Tinned fruit – small and large

Toothpaste Liquid Handwash

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

<u>THURSDAYS</u> (during school terms) VINES CREATIVE CONNECTION 9.30-11.30 am

\$4.00 each week – includes morning tea – ALL WELCOME Contact: Verelle 439 833 837

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**HOME ALONERS** - 5<sup>th</sup> August – First Tuesday of the Month.

<u>CIRCLE OF FRIENDS</u> – 12<sup>th</sup> August – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month 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!

**MEN'S DINNER GROUP** –  $20^{th}$  August –  $3^{rd}$  Wednesday of the month.

#### **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 27<sup>th</sup> July Reverend Sue Ellis



## **Our Goal**



# To reach out to 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.

### Contacts at the VINES Uniting Church

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Please send Newsletter articles to Chris McAvenna by 12 noon Wednesday <u>adcam@adam.com.au</u>

