



The VINES Uniting Church

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THE GRAPEVINE – 19th October 2025

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Today's message is about how God can lead us in various ways and can I suggest we all need His direction at times.

Here at the Vines, we are on a journey (without a Minister currently) and there are times where decisions need to be made to lead us in God's will. How does The Lord help us do that?

I believe it is a common thing for any of us to look back at times and think to ourselves, if only I had done this or if only I had done that and I'm not sure there is a large distinction between new Christian or mature Christian.

We will look at Gideon's dilemma in the Bible (Judges Chapter 6) and how he sought direction, plus a look at a man from the 1960's who sought direction and how both had amazing outcomes.

See you there or online... Blessings, Bill

❖ 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 Church Council is very pleased to report that we have received information from the Placements Committee that there is a possible candidate interested in ministry with us. We do not know any details at this stage, but a meeting will be set up for us to explore the possibility. I would ask that you might move the prayer request for a minister to the top of your list as we unpack this offer over the next few weeks. Please pray that we will have a clear message from God as we work through the process.

David, Wendy and I attended the Polkinghorne Oration at the West Adelaide Uniting Church on Thursday night. The oration was delivered by the Rev Tim Costello, who is well known as the former CEO of World Vision Australia, and a voice on social justice issues, leadership and ethics. His topic was: **The Challenge of Our Times: Climate Change in the Context of a Culture in Crisis.** The oration is available on You Tube if you are interested in listening to it.

For me personally, what I took most from the 1hour+ lecture was the reminder that much of our world is locked into a culture of self-interest, power seeking and acquisition of wealth, with little concern for those who are victims of this emphasis! Tim reminded us that unless we can learn to change to a "we" rather than a "me" mentality, there is little hope for change. May the Vines Church continue to be a beacon of hope for those who feel lost, afraid, broken and lonely.

"To Love Another is to See the Face of God!" Victor Hugo Les Miserables

Grace and Peace,

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WHAT'S COMING UP AT THE VINES?

THURSDAYS (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

FRIDAY FRIENDS – 31st **October** – the last Friday of the month.

10.00 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.

HOME ALONERS – **Tuesday 4th November**

First Tuesday of the Month.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS – **11th November** – 2nd Tuesday of the month

From 1.30 to 3.00 pm at the Church.

Circle of Friends is for ANY women to come and have a cuppa and chat.

MEN'S DINNER GROUP – **19th November** - 3rd Wednesday of the month.

CHRISTMAS MARKET - Saturday November 22nd

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 26th October

Café Church

Rev. Mentaz LaVoie – Prison Ministry

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.

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