



The VINES Uniting Church

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THE GRAPEVINE – 5th July 2026

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My dear friends,

In June we took a break from Matthew in order to look at greed, money and generosity, because the Planned Giving program was about to start. In the 3-year lectionary cycle we are in Year A, for which Matthew's gospel is the focus. So we return to Matthew this Sunday, and we see how Jesus treated those who were treated badly, ostracized and looked down on by others. The reading is: *Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26*. Why not read it before Sunday, to be prepared?!

As followers of Jesus, we read the gospels with anticipation as we long to know Jesus better and follow him more closely. But sometimes we read the gospels and never get any further in our Bibles! It's a huge book and we don't know where to start, and that can put us off even trying. I will talk a little about that on Sunday.

Speaking of reading – the 'church library' books are now located in the bookshelf on the left-hand side of the entrance to the worship room (where the welcomer stands). This makes them more accessible to all of us, as we can browse them before or after church without having to go off to another room to do so! There is no borrowers' book – just borrow what you want, as we are working on an honesty system.

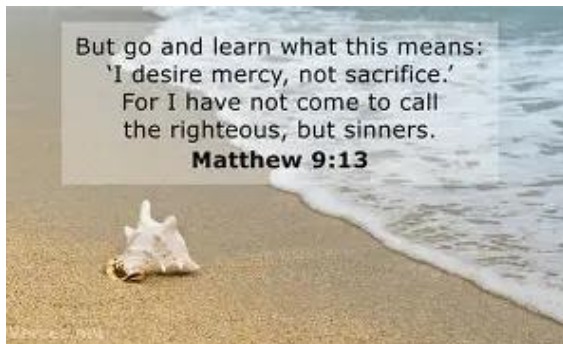
In order to make room for the church library on that bookshelf, the reference books and Bibles that were originally on it have been moved into the old 'church library' room and are arranged on the tall bookshelf there next to the long lounge. Again, you are welcome to borrow any of these as you please. We have multiple copies of the Good News Bible on that shelf. If you would like a copy, either for yourself or to give to someone else, please take one!

Let us always be willing and ready to share the Good News with others 😊

Go Well,

Shelley

- ❖ OUR VISION:
To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.
- ❖ OUR MISSION:
To reach out and reflect God's Love –connecting others to Christ.



HOME ALONERS

Our next visit will be to the Fisheries Research Centre at West Beach on Tuesday 7th July, with a 10am start. We will need to be there by 9.45 am. If you are coming, please let me know. Lunch will be at the Glenelg Surf Club afterwards.

Brian Fittock 0458 680 619

***A warm welcome if you are a visitor at The Vines today.
You are very welcome to join us for a cuppa after worship.***

Please check the data screen before and after worship for updates.

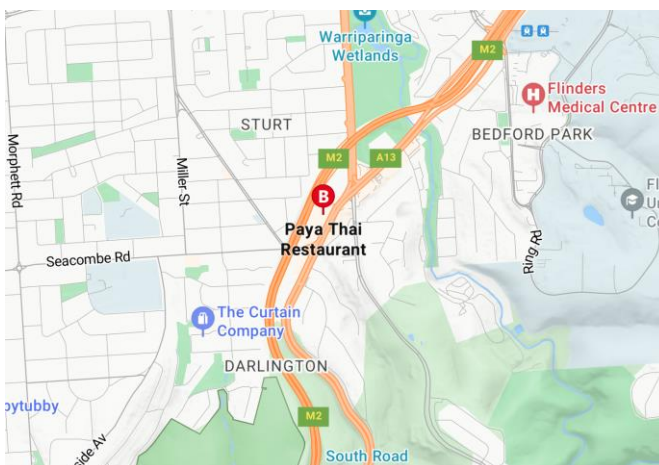
Hi All,

Our next dinner will be at the popular Paya Thai.....this month was Richard's choice, next month Ted will choose 😊

When: Wednesday July 15th

Where: Paya Thai

Shops 1 & 2, 1520 Main South Road, Sturt



Time: 6.30pm

RSVP: by 8th July

Hope to see you there 😊

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Regards

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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, Treasurer.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 12th July 2026
Reverend Shelley Alexander



Our Goal
*To reach out to the
community and
share God's Love.*

LIVE STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICES Currently our 9.30am worship services at the Vines can not be accessed live. However, the services are being recorded and then uploaded by Sunday afternoon.

At the moment, please use the following link to access our services,
<https://www.youtube.com/@thevinesunitingchurch6373/videos>

Each service will remain on our YouTube channel for watching later, accessed using the same link.

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