



*We believe we are called by God to be an inclusive
Christian community, committed to justice,
learning, service and care.*



BLACKWOOD UNITING CHURCH
More than a Sunday Church...

Week of 5th of July 2024
Service on Sunday 7th of July 2024
Services: 9.15am & 11 am
Message: Rev. John Candy
Worship Leader: Peter Cranwell
Reader: Jan Wiseman
Live Streamed

Lectionary readings – Sunday 7th of July (Pentecost 7)

**** 2 Sm 5:1-5, 9-10 ** Ps 48 ****

**** 2 Cor 12: 2-10 ** Mk 6: 1-13 ****

Next Services

Sunday 14th July (Pentecost 8)

Sunday 9.15 & 11 am Services

Message: Lynona Hawkins

Worship Leader: Jan Furness

Reader: Robert Corbett

Reflection

Something to think about.

If we read Mark 5:21-43 as we did last week, we see that in order for the woman in the crowd to be healed by Jesus, he had to lose some of his virtue. The woman had to put aside all timidity and fear in order to touch his garment in the presence of so many witnesses. Desperation and faith were required for her to be made whole.

There are times when it is necessary for us to give up or lose something in order for our lives to change for the better. In this passage, Jesus lost palpable energy and gave up his right to punish this woman for touching him.

David in last week's Hebrew scriptures lost persons who were dear to him before he could live into his destiny. The woman in the crowd faced the possibility of losing her freedom in order for her to become healthy. Jesus lost his life in order for us to receive the gifts of salvation and physical and spiritual healing. I wonder as we enter NAIDOC week that this idea is something we need to take to heart.

Rev. John Candy

Touch

(A reflection on last week's service)

*And examining the cut of his own cloth,
He measures it in pieces, to share the pattern of his pain,
While we, at table's edge, cast shadows in candle light
And draw frayed threads from our own life's robes;
Then turning to others in prayer,
Bare hurts, blood-red as wine,
Ravelling and unravelling the warp and weft of our lives.*

*I shall keep my cloth;
Hold it close:
A talisman of trust.*

Ashleigh

Church Treasurer

It is with sadness that we advise that Tony Miller has submitted his resignation to the church council.

We receive this news with disappointment and acknowledge Tony's contribution to the financial wellbeing of the Blackwood Uniting Church over the last ten years.

He has carried out this challenging role with dignity and integrity and we are very grateful.

Rev. Adrian Brown

Richard Beck on Prayer

On Sunday, I referred to Richard Beck's writing on prayer. You can find his [online material here](#), however you may need to sign up (free) to read it.

Richard Beck (PhD) is a Professor in the Department of Psychology at Abilene Christian University and is the Senior Fellow of the Landon Saunders Centre for Joy and Human Flourishing. Richard also teaches in the Doctor of Ministry programs at Fuller Theological Seminary and Abilene Christian University.

Craig Mitchell

CHURCH TREASURY VACANCY

The Council invites expressions of interest for the role of treasurer of the church.

Before making an appointment, it will be important to review how this was undertaken, so we might make it less onerous.

If you have the skill and interest in this position, please contact Adrian Brown on 0417 785 370.

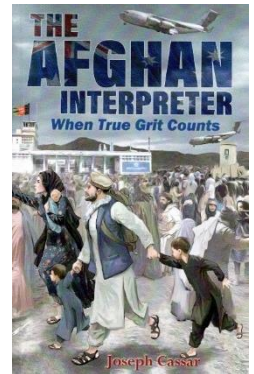
Rev. Adrian Brown, Chair of Church Council

RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCH LIBRARY

"The Afghan interpreter: when true grit counts" by Joseph Cassar.

"Present on earth: worship resources on the life of Jesus"

"Living legacies: how to write, illustrate, and share your life stories"
by Duane Elgin.



Joy Belling

Lunch for 11 o'clock Worshippers - July 28th.

Dear friends,

You are invited to gather after Worship on Sunday July 28th, to enjoy a simple lunch together!

To enable us to cater efficiently, please let us know if you can join us, by July 21st.

As usual, a donation of \$5.00 per person will be appreciated, and any profits will be forwarded to Frontier Services in , memory of our wonderful friend and founder, Mary Thomas!

Looking forward to enjoying your company.

Helen Blake & Bev Eccleston
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Mitcham and Hills Wellness Education Session

Anxiety, Depression and Emotional Distress

What is normal and what isn't?

**TUESDAY 9TH JULY | 5PM FOR 5:30PM START
BLACKWOOD UNITING CHURCH (ROUNDAABOUT)**



Join Clinical Psychologist, Debra Sandford as she delves into some common myths and misunderstandings about anxiety and depression. What is normal and what might need professional intervention. What is the difference between anxiety, depression and emotional distress?

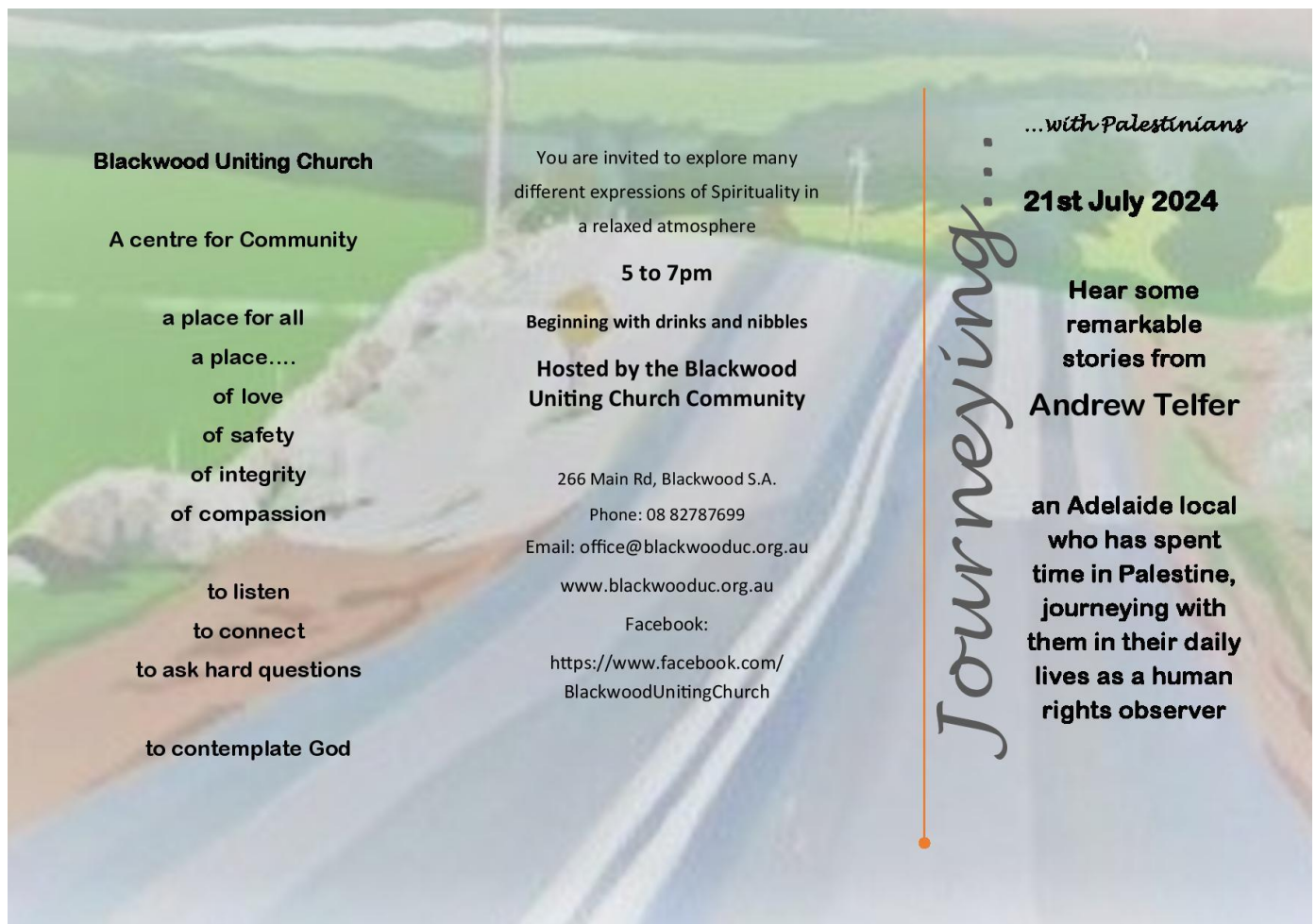


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You can also call my office on 8278 5844

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Blackwood Uniting Church

A centre for Community

a place for all
a place....
of love
of safety
of integrity
of compassion

to listen
to connect
to ask hard questions

to contemplate God

You are invited to explore many different expressions of Spirituality in a relaxed atmosphere

5 to 7pm

Beginning with drinks and nibbles

Hosted by the Blackwood Uniting Church Community

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Journeying...

...with Palestinians

21st July 2024

Hear some remarkable stories from **Andrew Telfer**

an Adelaide local who has spent time in Palestine, journeying with them in their daily lives as a human rights observer

Peter Cranwell

The BUC New Music Singalong

On Saturday 27 July we are inviting our members, worship leaders, musicians and anyone who loves to sing to a singalong to learn some new music for worship from 3.00 - 4.30pm in the church.

We have some wonderful new contemporary music published by the UCA SA Centre for Music, Liturgy and the Arts. We figure that the best way to teach it will be if we have a big singalong. This will then help more people on any Sunday to know the songs and join in.



Our Conductor and Choirmaster on the day will be Craig Mitchell, who promises an experience of inspiration, fun and soul-stirring worship. Bring a bottle of water. We will also be joined by some folks from Rosefield Uniting Church. Please come and join us!

Craig Mitchell

PCW Thanksgiving Service

I am very pleased to send you all this invite to our 2024 PCW Thanksgiving Service which is to be held on Tuesday 30th July.

It is certainly an occasion when we wish to honour the work that PCW's do and we encourage them as they interact in that challenging space.



Mitcham Hills Inter-Church Council Inc.

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Schools Christian Pastoral Support

BEACON Project

local churches working together to help local people

Thanksgiving Service for our Pastoral Care Workers

Tuesday 30th July 2024

Blackwood Church of Christ

Corner of Shepherds Hill Road and Waite Street Blackwood

7.30pm.

Let us come together to bless and thank our Pastoral Care Workers;

Belair Primary School; Sara Walding

Blackwood Primary School; Izzy Rogers and Shenae Smith

Blackwood High School; Sam Thomson and Izzy Rogers

Coromandel Valley Primary School; Jenni Forder

Concordia College St Peter's; Jane Peplow

Hear from our Schools Ministry Group Regional Manager Vicki Woods

Supper provided after the service

Maxine Moore - MHICC

Preparing for storms is how you help

Sturt SES presents
'KNOW YOUR RISKS'
Free Public Community Forum

Sunday 21st July

3pm

Tiwu Kumangka Main Hall
Blackwood Library



Free fridge magnet torch, show bag and door prizes
Book your free ticket by scanning the QR code!



PRINCIPAL PARTNER



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Bingo Night



FUNdraiser

Raising funds for “Rebuilding Schools Ukraine”

Tickets \$20 (includes your bingo cards)

Raffle and silent auction extra

Saturday 20 July 6.30pm, Eyes down at 7.00pm

Tables of 8-10

BYO supper – Drinks available at the bar

Ukrainian Community Centre

64-66 Orsmond St, Hindmarsh

Tickets and further information

from www.trybooking.com/CSMNY

Word for the Week

If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart.



Nelson Mandela

Looking ahead in 2024

Friday	5 th July	First Friday Friends
Sunday	21 st July	Journeying

<p><u>John Candy weekly office hours</u> Tuesday 12.30pm – 5.30pm Friday 9am – 1pm minister@blackwooduc.org.au</p>	<p>Church Office 8278 7699 Interim Minister Rev. John Candy 0411 267 639 & Dr Craig Mitchell</p>
<p><u>Craig Mitchell weekly office hours</u> Wednesday 10th - 10am – 2pm Thursday 11th - 10am – 2pm worship@blackwooduc.org.au</p>	<p>Peta Workman Office & Community Program Coordinator Tuesday to Friday 9:00am – 2:30pm office@blackwooduc.org.au</p>
<p>MHICC – BUC representatives Carys Penny Tim Lee</p>	<p>Messy Church Coordinator Bonnie MacLaine-Mills 0405 455 567 bonniemaclainemills@gmail.com</p>
	<p>BUC website www.blackwooduc.org.au</p>
	<p>GIVING back to God http://blackwooduc.org.au/giving/</p>

Order of Services to be emailed to buc.worship@gmail.com by Wednesday prior to the following Sunday.