



Uniting Church. **Uniting People.**

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2012 Calendar

we seek to be an innovative, growing church proclaiming Jesus Christ, empowered by the Spirit to transform God's world



UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA

Strategic Plan Key Directions

Fostering conversion growth

Raising leaders

Growing disciples

Developing new models

Expanding our profile

Championing justice



Uniting People

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

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Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

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In possibly the most famous sermon of all time, Jesus told a gathered crowd their views of who was blessed, and who wasn't, needed to be turned on their head. These precepts for blessing in Matthew 5.3-10, are now commonly known to us as the beatitudes.

Together we are a church that seeks to be an innovative, growing church, proclaiming Jesus Christ, empowered by the Spirit to transform God's world. We engage with the past, we live in the present and we look forward to our future.

In this year's calendar, we're sharing some of the ways in which we are engaging with the beatitudes as a Church, while also celebrating some key events of the Christian year, and within the Uniting Church, this year.

May you and your church be encouraged by the stories that this calendar opens up to you, as you each consider the mission of our God who is already at work in this world.

Yours in Christ

Rev Rob Williams
Moderator

Rev Dr Graham Humphris
CEO/General Secretary

Pictured: Rev Rob Williams & Rev Dr Graham Humphris | **Photo:** Caryn Rogers

Thank you for supporting the Uniting Church

The Mission and Service Fund is our financial commitment to mission and service –together.

This page explains our budget for 2012, in South Australia, and beyond.

The following pages show how through congregational contributions, income from investments and funds raised by our Synod ministry centres, we support mission and ministry in the Presbytery & Synod of South Australia as a Uniting Church in the business of Uniting People.

Budgeted Income	2012
Mission and Service Fund	
Contributions from congregations	1,275,000
Income From Investments	
Epworth SA Inc grant	510,000
Investment income	1,101,275
Parkin Mission grant	1,150,000
UC Invest grant	1,350,000
	<u>4,111,275</u>
Cost Recovery by Synod ministry centres	
Communications and Public Relations	125,441
Uniting College for Leadership and Theology	1,293,665
Mission Resourcing SA	288,211
Resources Board	996,332
Insurance Services	1,032,04
Secretariat	86,367
Pastoral Relations (including Ministers Support)	607,255
UnitingCare Commission	68,000
	<u>4,497,311</u>
Other Income	37,162
Total Income	9,920,748

Budgeted Expenditure	2012
Presbytery and Synod Ministry Centres	
Communications and Public Relations	429,677
Uniting College for Leadership and Theology	1,818,665
Mission Resourcing SA	1,060,656
External Mission Resourcing	122,029
Resources Board	1,804,486
Insurance Services	1,030,536
Secretariat	738,655
Pastoral Relations (including Ministers' Support)	1,302,584
UnitingCare Commission	497,974
Less savings target set for P&S Ministry Centres	<u>-99,000</u>
Sub-Total	8,706,262
Uniting Aboriginal & Islander Christian Congress (UAICC)	441,090
Total	9,147,352
Wider Church (Assembly & ecumenical support)	511,495
Congregation support (including Grant in Aid)	54,818
Other (rent, depreciation, interest, insurance)	782,083
Total Expenditure	10,495,748
Operating Deficit for the year	-575,000

This report is a financial summary. It shows the anticipated budget for 2012.

Further information and audited financial reports are available from the Uniting Church SA's Financial Services department.



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Since 2008, Adare Uniting Church's generous-hearted 'Sit n Stitch' group at Victor Harbor have been stitching in solidarity with the poor; handcrafting and giving away over 180 'Love Quilts'. The quilts have brightened the beds of flood and bushfire victims interstate, warmed the knees of nursing home residents here and cheered patients at the Women's & Children's Hospital. The group meets weekly, filling the room with laughter, fun and creativity, blessing others, while being blessed in community.

Pictured: Sit n Stitch members Coral Maxwell, Jaelene Slade, Beth Duke, Karen Kitto and Marj Wills.
Photo: Sarah Urmston

January 2012



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 New Year's Day	2 New Year's Day Public Holiday	3	4	5	6 Epiphany	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Tour Down Under begins	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Tour Down Under ends	23	24	25 Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26 Australia Day	27	28
29	30 Term 1 begins (SA)	31				

JANUARY 1 Christmas 1

Isaiah 61:10-62:3
Psalm 148
Galatians 4:4-7
Luke 2:22-40

JANUARY 8 Baptism of Jesus 1

Genesis 1:1-5
Psalm 29
Acts 19:1-7
Mark 1:4-11

JANUARY 15 Epiphany 2

1 Samuel 3:1-10,(11-20)
Psalm 139:1-6,13-18
1 Corinthians 6:12-20
John 1:43-51

JANUARY 22 Epiphany 3

John 3:1-5,10
Psalm 62:5-12
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20

JANUARY 29 Epiphany 4

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Mark 1:21-28

FEBRUARY

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Rev Andrew Robertson, Clearview and Para Hills Uniting Churches, has formed a triathlon team, offering a very different kind of worship and service to God on Sundays. As they run, cycle and swim, the team will bear the 'Suicide: It's no secret' message on their uniforms, all in a bid to live actively, love deeply and comfort those who are mourning.

In 2011, Uniting Church SA launched the Suicide: It's no secret campaign to raise awareness around the unacceptably high rate of suicide going relatively unnoticed in the public sphere. The intention was to raise awareness and point to prevention strategies, essentially to bring comfort to those who mourn, in their own life or over the lives of loved ones lost.

Pictured: Rev Dave Williamson and Rev Andrew Robertson
Photo: Caryn Rogers

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February 2012



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Carnevale
12 Carnevale	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 UnitingCare Pancake Day	22 Ash Wednesday	23	24 Adelaide Fringe begins	25 Mission & Service Fund contributions due
26 First Sunday in Lent	27 Semester 1 begins	28	29			

FEBRUARY 2
**Presentation
of our Lord**

Malachi 3:1-4
Psalm 84 or
Psalm 24:7-10
Hebrews 2:14-18

FEBRUARY 5
Epiphany 5

Isaiah 40:21-31
Psalm 147:1-11,20c
1 Corinthians 9:16-23
Mark 1:29-39

FEBRUARY 12
Epiphany 6

2 Kings 5:1-14
Psalm 30
1 Corinthians 9:24-27
Mark 1:40-45

FEBRUARY 19
Transfiguration

2 Kings 2:1-12
Psalm 50:1-6
2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 9:2-9

FEBRUARY 22
Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:1-2,12-17 or
Isaiah 58:1-12
Psalm 51:1-17
2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10
Matthew 6:1-6,16-21

FEBRUARY 26
Lent 1

Genesis 9:8-17
Psalm 25:1-10
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:9-15

MARCH

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Every Monday morning, the Sally Stamp group gather at the Uniting Church SA office, scissors at the ready to cut and sort used stamps. Sold in aid of mission funds, the team's work predominantly funds shipments of used school books to countries around the world via South Pacific School Aid Inc. Busily attending to their work, the group diligently save, store and sell their valuable findings. Every dollar, every stamp, counts in this business.

Pictured: Bob Badenoch

Photo: Caryn Rogers

Blessed are the meek

for they will inherit the earth

March 2012



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Clipsal 500 begins	2 World Day of Prayer Presbytery and Synod meeting	3 Presbytery and Synod meeting
4 Clipsal 500 ends Clean Up Australia Day	5	6	7	8	9 WOMADelaide begins	10
11	12 Adelaide Cup Day WOMADelaide ends	13	14	15	16	17
18 Adelaide Fringe ends	19	20	21 Harmony Day	22	23	24 KCO
25 KCO Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26	27	28	29	30	31

MARCH 4 Lent 2

Genesis 17:1-7,15-16
Psalm 22:23-31
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38

MARCH 11 Lent 3

Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

MARCH 18 Lent 4

Numbers 21:4-9
Psalm 107:1-3,17-22
Ephesians 2:1-10
John 3:14-21

MARCH 25 Annunciation of the Lord

Isaiah 7:10-14
Psalm 45 or 40:5-10
Hebrews 10:4-10
Luke 1:26-38

MARCH 25 Lent 5

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 51:1-12 or
Psalm 119:9-16
Hebrews 5:5-10
John 12:20-33

APRIL

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Easter

As the Easter day dawns and the first rays of sun pull back the cloak of night, we celebrate the Son whose rising has pulled back the banner of darkness and shone light into the world. A new dawn, a new day, a new life.

Around the world on Easter, many will gather at dawn to see the light come up on an empty cross, marking that death has been defeated through Christ.

Pictured: Spencer Gulf at Sunrise on Easter morning 2005 as a Uniting Church Youth Easter Camp celebrates at Thuruna.

Photo: Amy Maddern

April 2012



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Palm Sunday World Youth Day Daylight Savings ends	2	3	4	5 Term 1 ends (SA) Maundy Thursday	6 Good Friday	7 Easter Saturday World Health Day
8 Easter Sunday	9 Easter Monday	10	11	12	13 National Youth Week begins	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 National Youth Week ends	23 Term 2 begins (SA)	24	25 Anzac Day Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26	27	28
29	30					

APRIL 1

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 118:1-2,19-29
Philippians 2:5-11
Mark 11:1-11
or John 12:12-16

APRIL 8

Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43
or Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 118:1-2,14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
or Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

APRIL 15

Easter 2

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31

APRIL 22

Easter 3

Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

APRIL 29

Easter 4

Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

MAY

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**Blessed are
those who hunger
& thirst for
righteousness**
for they will be filled

At just 14 years old, Teresa Bol was fed up. The Sudanese born teen had seen too many women, including her mother, suffer greatly and lose children from preventable diseases. So, she took her frustration, and turned it into hope for a better future. As she planned to build a hospital in Abyei, an area bordering North and South Sudan, 'Hope for Abyei' was born.

Although there is still much to be done, Enfield Uniting member Teresa, now 17, is still determined to see the health privileges enjoyed by Australian women made available to their overseas sisters. More information is available on the Hope for Abyei Facebook page.

Pictured: Teresa Bol
Photo: Jade Kearns

May 2012



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Frontier Services Sunday	7	8	9 World Fair Trade Day	10	11	12
13 Mother's Day	14 National Volunteers Week begins	15 International Day of Families	16	17 Ascension Day	18	19
20 National Volunteers Week ends	21	22	23	24	25 Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26 National Sorry Day
27 Pentecost Reconciliation Sunday National Reconciliation Week begins	28	29	30	31		

MAY 6 Easter 5

Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

MAY 13 Easter 6

Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17

MAY 17 Ascension Day

Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47 or Psalm 93
Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 24:44-53

MAY 20 Easter 7

Acts 1_15-17,21-26
Psalm 1
1 John 5:9-13
John 17:6-19

MAY 27 Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 104:24-34,35b
Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21
John 15:26-27;16:4b-15

JUNE						
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Happy 35th Anniversary Uniting Church

Since its official establishment in 1977 from Methodist, Congregational and Presbyterian denominations, the Uniting Church has sought to be relevant while living faithfully to the gospel and speaking out on issues of injustice.

As the world increases its technological vocabulary and community meeting places, the church too is evolving technologically. This year, as we celebrate the Uniting Church in Australia's 35th anniversary, what better way to celebrate than by showing 35 under 35-year-olds, all passionately involved within Uniting Churches in South Australia, as they appear in their Facebook profile pictures.

Pictured: L-R Rowan Steele, Brendan Noolan, Ross & Nicole Dunkley, Carly Osborn, Aaron Mullins, Neil Milton, Katrina Levi, Sam Barnes, Phoebe Robertson, Ben Howland, Jo Lohmeyer, Andrew Copland, Katie & Callum Iles, Mike Wardrop, Josh & Robyn Curtis, Ashlee Randell, Adam & Lisa Ganglen, Karen Hunt, Joshua Baldwin, Jo Trudinger, Matthew & Rebecca Carratt, Alida Jansen Van Vuuren, Dan Anear, Rachel Dempster, Sarah & David Williamson, Will Hall, Nicole Mugford, eD Helmbold, Rhanee Lester

June 2012



Uniting Church. **Uniting People.**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 National Reconciliation Week ends	4	5 World Environment Day	6	7	8	9
10	11 Queen's Birthday holiday SA Volunteer's Day	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 National Refugee week begins	19	20 World Refugee Day	21	22 Uniting Church Anniversary Presbytery & Synod meeting	23 Presbytery & Synod meeting
24 National Refugee week ends	25 Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26	27	28	29 Term 2 ends (SA)	30

JUNE 3 Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17

JUNE 10 Pentecost 2

1 Samuel 8:4-11
Psalm 138
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
Mark 3:20-35

JUNE 17 Pentecost 3

1 Samuel 15:35-16:13
Psalm 20
2 Corinthians 5:6-10
Mark 4:26-34

JUNE 22 Uniting Church Anniversary

2 Chronicles 30:1-9
Psalm 127
Ephesians 2:19-22
John 17:1-11

JUNE 24 Pentecost 4

1 Samuel 17:(1a,4-11, 19-23),32-49 or
1 Samuel 17:57-18:5,10-16
Psalm 9:9-20 or Psalm 133
2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Mark 4:35-41

JULY

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Assembly

Life Overflowing

"Life Overflowing" is the theme for the 13th National Assembly, to be held in Adelaide, 15-21 July 2012. It was chosen by the incoming President, Rev Prof Andrew Dutney. Life Overflowing is Andrew's version of a phrase in John 10.10 which is translated in various ways: "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly" (NRSV); "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full" (NIV); "My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life" (NLT). Andrew says, "The life which Christ came to bring - to the brim and overflowing - isn't about greed, competition and excess but love, peace and justice." Life Overflowing will be the theme for the three years of Andrew's Presidency.

Pictured: Rev Prof Andrew Dutney
Photo: Jade Kearns

July 2012



Uniting Church. **Uniting People.**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 NAIDOC week begins	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 NAIDOC week ends	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 UCA National Assembly in Adelaide begins	16 Term 3 begins (SA)	17	18	19	20	21 UCA National Assembly in Adelaide ends
22	23 Semester 2 begins	24	25 Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26	27	28
29	30	31				

JULY 1 Pentecost 5

2 Samuel 1:1,17-27
Psalm 130
2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Mark 5:21-43

JULY 8 Pentecost 6

2 Samuel 5:1-5,9-10
Psalm 48
2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13

JULY 15 Pentecost 7

2 Samuel 6:1-5,12b-19
Psalm 24
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29

JULY 22 Pentecost 8

2 Samuel 7:1-14a
Psalm 89:20-37
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34,53-56

JULY 29 Pentecost 9

2 Samuel 11:1-15
Psalm 14
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21

AUGUST

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The UnitingCare Copper Triangle shed is more than a storage facility – it's a shed of mercy, designed to respond to urgent requests for assistance in setting up emergency housing and rental properties for a variety of clients - elderly, indigenous, poor, single mother or father – in partnership with UnitingCare Wesley Country and Families SA. At the opening of the shed in 2011, UnitingCare Copper Triangle was commended by Mayor Paul Thomas for its dedication to supporting the escalating number of disadvantaged in the area.

Pictured: UnitingCare Volunteers David, Moss and Andrew enjoy a cup of tea at the Copper Triangle Shed after fitting the new shed for the official opening.

Photo: Supplied by UnitingCare Copper Triangle

**Blessed are
the merciful**
for they will receive mercy

August 2012



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Migrant and Refugee Sunday						

AUGUST 5

Pentecost 10

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a
Psalm 51:1-12
Ephesians 4:1-16
John 6:24-35

AUGUST 6

Feast of the Transfiguration

2 Kings 2:1-12
Psalm 50:1-6
2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 9:2-9

AUGUST 12

Pentecost 11

2 Samuel 18:5-9,
15,31-33
Psalm 130
Ephesians 4:25-5:2
John 6:35,41-51

AUGUST 19

Pentecost 12

1 Kings 2:10-12;3:3-14
Psalm 111
Ephesians 5:15-20
John 6:51-58

AUGUST 26

Pentecost 13

1 Kings 8:1,6,10-11,
22-30,41-43
Psalm 84
Ephesians 6:10-20
John 6:56-69

SEPTEMBER

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Blessed are the pure in heart

for they will see God

Uniting People = you **&** me **&** everyone else.

"&" draws us together in ministry - for that ministry to be effective we need to incorporate best, safe practices in leadership, in our programs and within our facilities. Called to Care promotes and assists the Uniting Church community with relevant information about ensuring a safe physical, emotional and spiritual environment for us all. Called to Care takes ministry seriously, by taking care, seriously.

Photo: Aaron Vinall

September 2012



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 Social Justice Sunday						1
2 Father's Day	3	4	5	6	7 Royal Show and Red Dove Cafe begins	8 International Literacy Day
9	10 World Suicide Prevention Day	11	12	13	14	15 Royal Show and Red Dove Cafe ends
16	17	18	19	20	21 International Day of Peace Term 3 ends (SA)	22
23	24	25 Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26	27	28	29 SAYCO begins

SEPTEMBER 2 Pentecost 14

Song 2:8-13
Psalm 45:1-2,6-9
James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

SEPTEMBER 9 Pentecost 15

Proverbs 22:1-2,8-9,22-23
Psalm 125
James 2:1-10,(11-13),14-17
Mark 7:24-37

SEPTEMBER 16 Pentecost 16

Proverbs 1:20-33
Psalm 19
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38

SEPTEMBER 23 Pentecost 17

Proverbs 31:10-31
Psalm 1
James 3:13-4:3,7-8a
Mark 9:30-37

SEPTEMBER 30 Pentecost 18

Esther 7:1-6,9-10;9:20-22
Psalm 124
James 5:13-20
Mark 9:38-50

OCTOBER S M T W T F S

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Blessed are the peacemakers

for they will be called
children of God

Peacemaking often starts with friendship-making. The Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress is committed to working with the Uniting Church in Australia to look for ways to reconcile, to share community and to live at peace together, Aboriginal and Islander peoples with each other, and with non-Indigenous Australians. Every one of the approximately 600 different Aboriginal 'nations' has its own story to tell, its own cultures and its own customs. Peacemaking, respect and understanding is part of an ongoing relationship for everyone – born here, or elsewhere.

Pictured: Denise Champion (Adnyamathanha) and Major Sumner (Ngarrindjeri).

Photo: Caryn Rogers

October 2012



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Labour Day (SA) SAYCO ends	2	3	4	5	6
7 Daylight Savings begins	8 Term 4 begins (SA)	9	10 World Mental Health Day	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Eradication of Poverty Day	18	19	20 Children's Week begins
21	22	23	24	25 Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26 Playgroup in the Park	27
28 Children's Week ends	29	30	31			

OCTOBER 7
Pentecost 19

Job 1:1,2:1-10
Psalm 26
Hebrew1:104,2:5-12
Mark 10:2-16

OCTOBER 14
Pentecost 20

Job 23:1-9,16-17
Psalm 22:1-15
Hebrews 4:12-16
Mark 10:17-31

OCTOBER 21
Pentecost 21

Job 38:1-7,(34-41)
Psalm 104:1-9,24,35c
Hebrews 5:1-10
Mark 10:35-45

OCTOBER 28
Pentecost 22

Job 42:1-6,10-17
Psalm 34:1-8,(19-22)
Hebrews 7:23-28
Mark 10:46-52

NOVEMBER						
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This man has lived all his life in a rural community in the northern Philippines. He and his people are protesting against a large international mining company that is threatening to invade and destroy their farming land.

"If we lose our land, we lose our life," cry indigenous people groups around the world as they struggle to keep their land. In the face of injustice, we stand in solidarity with our partner churches, particularly those who are persecuted and suffering in their pursuit of justice, such as the United Church of Christ in the Philippines.

Pictured: An elderly Philippino man sits in protest.
Photo: Christa Megaw

**Blessed are
those who are
persecuted for
righteousness' sake**
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Presbytery and Synod begins All Saints Day	2 World Community Day	3 Presbytery and Synod ends
4 World Community Day	5	6	7	8	9	10 Christmas Pageant
11 Remembrance Day Stewardship Sunday	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Mission & Service Fund contributions due	26	27	28	29	30	

NOVEMBER 1 All Saints Day

Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 24
Revelation 21:1-6a
John 11:32-44

NOVEMBER 4 Pentecost 23

Ruth 1:1-18
Psalm 146
Hebrews 9:11-14
Mark 12:28-34

NOVEMBER 11 Pentecost 24

Ruth 3:1-5,4:13-17
Psalm 127
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44

NOVEMBER 18 Pentecost 25

1 Samuel 1:4-20,
1 Samuel 2:1-10
Psalm 16
Hebrews 10:11-14,
(15-18),19-25
Mark 13:1-8

NOVEMBER 25 Christ the King/ Reign of Christ

2 Samuel 23:1-7
Psalm 132:1-12,(13-18)
Revelation 1:4b-8
John 18:33-37

DECEMBER

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Christmas with Frontier Servies

As the Frontier Services Patrol Minister for Parkin, it's part of Rev John Dihm's job to visit people on pastoral stations, in small towns and national parks. His 'job description' is a bit jack-of-all-trades, entailing anything from tinkering in local Men's Sheds, to playing Santa in regional kindergartens.

While a Santa suit might not seem like the usual uniform for a Patrol Minister, John isn't afraid to play dress ups at Christmas. It's all part of sharing in the lives of those within his extensive geographical care as he offers support, builds friendships and gets involved with communities in places like Andamooka, Leigh Creek, Marree, the Moomba Gas Fields, Innamincka, Mintabie and Marla.

Pictured: Rev John Dihm and Ivy-Rose.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31					1 World Aids Day
2 Advent Sunday	3 International Day of People with a Disability	4	5 International Volunteers Day	6	7	8
9	10 International Human Rights Day	11	12	13	14 Term 4 ends (SA)	15
16	17	18 International Migrants Day	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Christmas Day	26 Proclamation Day	27	28 Mission Service Fund contributions due	29

DECEMBER 2 First Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33:14-15
Psalm 25:1-10
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Luke 21:25-36

DECEMBER 9 Second Sunday of Advent

Baruch 5:1-9 or Malachi 3:1-4
Luke 1:68-79
Philippians 1:3-11
Luke 3:1-6

DECEMBER 16 Third Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3:14-20
Isaiah 12;2-6
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:7-18

DECEMBER 23 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Micah 5:2-5a
Luke 1:47-55 or Psalm 80:1-7
Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 1:39-45,(46-55)

DECEMBER 25 Christmas Day

Isaiah 62:6-12
Psalm 97
Titus 3:4-7
Luke 2:(1-7),8-20

DECEMBER 30 Christmas 1

1 Samuel 2:18-20,26
Psalm 148
Colossians 3:12-17
Luke 2:41-52

JANUARY 2013

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Pictured: Cockle shells form a glossy floor on the beach surrounding the Coorong.
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