



The Uniting Church in Australia Synod of South Australia 11-13 February 2021

4 February 2021

Dear Members of Synod,

I write with lots of information about the upcoming sessions of our Synod meeting! Please take note of the following:

The Celebration of Ministry Service

This Sunday (7th of February at 2.30 pm) at Burnside City Uniting Church. Please rsvp [online](#). The service will be live-streamed on our [YouTube Channel](#).

Nominee profiles

Nominee profiles for boards and committees of the Synod have been sent to members.

Please note, that as the nominee profiles contain personal information, they will not be posted on the Synod website. We ask you to ensure the confidentiality of this personal information.

Members are asked to prayerfully read these profiles and be prepared for the ballots to be held at the Synod meeting. Details of vacancies and description of boards and committees, can be found here: [Nominations Letter and Nominations Information](#).

Ballots

Ballots will be conducted via an online tool called Survey Monkey. At a time determined by the Business Committee, an email will be sent to members with a link to the ballot. A password will be given at the meeting that you will have to enter in order to access the ballot.

At our online session last Saturday, some members couldn't find this email. Please look in your junk email inbox. You may need to add Survey Monkey to your email 'permissions' list.

If members are unable to access their emails at the meeting, our Ballot scrutineers will be able to assist members to cast their ballots.

Electives

Members are encouraged to please choose their electives as soon as possible. Due to COVID requirements, numbers for each elective are limited by the room capacity. Get in quick to avoid missing out on your top choices! You can access elective choices [here](#).

Working groups

Working groups will be the same groups as per last Saturday's meeting. You will receive a [map](#) when you arrive at the meeting on Thursday which will indicate where your group is to meet.

Parking

The car-park at 312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive is shared with Emmaus Christian College (both staff and parents). Members are asked to please be mindful of the school pick-up and drop-off times. Small children WILL be present. Access through the car-park will be ONE Way only – enter through Beverley Avenue and exit via Lipsett Terrace. Sir Donald Bradman Drive also has designated bike lanes on Thursday and Friday between 7am – 10am and between 3pm – 7pm, where no parking is allowed.

Meals and Food trucks

For members who have not ordered meals through AWUC, some Food trucks will be attending, so that you can relax on the lawn over lunch or dinner. However, if you indicated meals from AWUC on your registration please honour that and support their mission through having their meals.

Livestream

As we are unable to allow visitors at this meeting, parts of the meeting will be live-streamed via our [YouTube Channel](#).

COVID Safe Reminders

Our Synod meeting is operating under a COVID Safe Plan, so please do not attend if you are unwell. Please follow the guidance of our COVID Safe Marshals, and remember to keep physical distancing, hand washing and sanitising.

Members will need to check in using a QR Code each morning (a paper option will also be provided). **Don't forget to arrive at your chosen arrival time!** This is so we can manage the number of people who are gathering at one time in the hall.

Singing will be happening during our worship times. Members may choose not to sing. If members choose to sing you are requested to wear a mask. We will have masks available to you, but if you have your own reusable mask, please bring it.

Please keep checking the [website](#) and [YAPP](#) app for updated proposals and information.

Although this Synod may look different to our previous meetings, it will still be a great time to celebrate who we are as the Uniting Church in South Australia.

Grace and peace,

Rev Sue Page
Associate General Secretary
