



**PAYNEHAM ROAD
UNITING CHURCH
31 May 2020**



BIBLE READINGS FOR TODAY

Acts 2:1-21 or Psalm 104:24- 1 Cor 12:3b-13 Jn 20:19-23 or R

Num 11:24-30 34, 35b or Acts 2:1-21 Jn 7:37-39

The liturgical colour for PENTECOST is RED—Red is the colour of fire and symbolizes the presence of God. It is the liturgical colour for Pentecost. It is considered the colour of the Church, since red can also symbolize the blood of martyrs. In some traditions it is used to commemorate special days for martyrs or saints, or for the ordination of priests/ministers.

BIBLE READINGS for TRINITY SUNDAY

Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a Psalm 8 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

The liturgical colour for TRINITY SUNDAY is WHITE

Worship Service via Zoom live

Payneham Road Uniting Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: **Pentecost Sunday - Minister, Rev. Mark Schultz (from Synod)**

Date & Time: **31 May, at 9.30 am (service starts 10 am) CST**

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87974363965>

Meeting ID: 879 7436 3965 (No password necessary)

You can also click on the invite on the home page of our Website:

<http://paynehamroaduc.org.au/>



If possible, please wear Red for Pentecost.

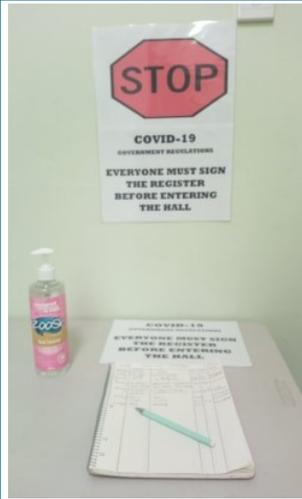
Pentecost / Whitsunday— (With Love to the World)

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

I have very mixed feelings about the Book of Psalms. Of course, it contains some wonderfully powerful poetry of praise, and profound reflections on the life of faith. Perhaps most importantly of all, it captures the authors' approach to God in times of joy and of grief, of peace and of anger, of hope and of despair. But at the same time the psalms often evoke a confrontational, violent image of God and God's people (see Psalm 137:9, for instance)- passages that are often omitted from our Bible readings. In today's psalm the lectionary skips half a verse (Psalm 104:35a): "Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more," in order, it seems, to keep the psalmist's praise of God from being contaminated by the desire for the destruction of the evildoers of his day. But surely it is more healthy, more realistic, for us to acknowledge that even in people of great faith there is a dark undercurrent. For isn't this exactly the sort of thing that Jesus was talking about when he said "You have heard it said, love your neighbour and hate your enemy"? (Matthew 5:43). Better, surely, to admit that we have enemies and to hear Jesus' challenge to love them, than to pretend that we always get on well with everyone. TiS 640/AHB 561 Kneels at the feet of his friends; Psalm 104. In your prayers remember the lands and people of Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa, and Swaziland.

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ENTERING THE CHURCH HALL



Please be aware that small groups (i.e. dancing) are slowly starting to return to the hall and you must enter through the side door, sign in and use the hand sanitiser in the side foyer then sign out, again using the sanitiser. If there are other people in the building, please keep safe distancing in mind.

Do not enter in through the kitchen door.

When we return to church we will also do the same in the front foyer of the church.

This is a government requirement .

SUPPORT UNITINGCARE EMERGENCY RELIEF CENTRES

You can help make a difference by donating food or by making a tax-deductible (over \$2) to the UCSA Relief Fund UnitingCare ERC appeal.

Find out more: sa.uca.org.au/unitingcare-sa/

Donations to Church or Students using E-give.

Recently money was transferred to E-give without indicating what it was for. It was assumed that it was a weekly offering.

When using E-give for donations to the church or for the students please indicate in the 'message'. Thank you.

To donate through E-give

Account Name: **Payneham Road Uniting Church**

UC Invest BSB: **805 007**

Account: **00701703**

Message: **Students or**

Message: **Offering**

Children's Page

Theme: God sent the Holy Spirit at Pentecost
Object: Different-shaped balloons - one per child
Scripture: Acts 2:4

Filled with the Holy Spirit

Dear Parents

Hand each child an un-inflated balloon. Explain that they are to wait for instructions to see what they will do with their balloon. You'll need an uninflated round balloon.



As you see, we have balloons today. You can have a lot of fun with a balloon. Hold up your balloon if you have a long, skinny one. (Pause.) I've seen some people who can take a long, skinny balloon and make it into the shape of different animals. Have you ever tried that? Hold up your balloon if you have a round one. (Pause.) I've played a game where we toss round balloons up into the air to see how long we can keep it up without it hitting the ground. That's a lot of fun.

Look at the balloon I'm holding. I think it's a very nice balloon. It's a pretty color, and by looking at the shape of it, I think it would be a very nice round balloon. There seems to be something lacking in the balloon. Can anyone tell me what this balloon needs? (Pause for children to answer.) You're right. It needs to be filled with air! Before a balloon can fulfill its purpose, someone must breathe some life into it.

I think this balloon can help us learn something about the church. Today is a very special day we call Pentecost. It was the day that God sent His Holy Spirit to breathe life into His church so the church would be all that God intended for it to be. (Inflate the balloon a little and stop.) Before God sent His Holy Spirit, the church was lifeless--like this balloon. The church was not witnessing and telling people about Jesus. After the Holy Spirit breathed life into the church, people began telling everyone they saw about Jesus. (Inflate the balloon a little and stop.) It didn't even matter if they spoke the same language. (Inflate the balloon a little and stop.) Everyone they told about Jesus understood what they were saying. Thousands of people were added to the church. (Inflate the balloon a little and stop.) The church became alive and was doing the things God had commanded. (Finish inflating the balloon and tie it off.)

Breathe life into your balloon, and remember that just as the balloon needs to be filled to be what it was intended to be, you and I need the Holy Spirit to fill us so we can be all that God wants us to be. (Allow children to inflate their balloons. Then help them tie off their balloons.) We thank You, God, for sending Your Holy Spirit. We thank You for breathing life into the church and we thank You for giving Your Holy Spirit to all who believe in Jesus. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

Source from ; <https://sermons4kids.com/>

Our Church and Church Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR

...our members & friends struggling with ill health, especially remember in your prayers.: Betty Nunan, Marj Green, Andrew Randall, Ray Williams, Judy Murdoch, Doug Faulkner, Bill & Grace Hancock, Bob & Beth Rankine, Roger Wyatt, Jackie & Ray Gabell, Dennis Henschke, Brenton Taylor, Ross Dawson and Cate Watkinson.
...and our international students.



Ross Dawson has temporarily been relocated to Fullarton Lutheran Homes for health reasons.



**Felicia Ruth (5th), Cynthia Fleming (19th), Bill Hancock (23rd),
Dana Lim (26th)**

HALL & KITCHEN FLOORING

Recently it was reported that the Hall floor surface was refreshed & now the floorboards in the Marj Fooks Fellowship room (kitchen) has also been refreshed.

Thank you to Dennis, Amir and Do Young for this fantastic work!

Heather & John Schubert during isolation time

Many of us are making good use of Zoom, Skype, Facebook Messenger via Video. Heather and John have been 'going' to their specialist doctors through Zoom and finding it an interesting experience!

What's your isolation story?

Church Council met on Tuesday via Zoom

- report from Heather Schubert - Council Chairperson

Key points discussed ;

- We are considering purchase of an automated External Defibrillator (AED) and will apply for funding from Local Council when grants are next available. Your thoughts on this are welcomed.
- We have authorised David to send \$200 to each of the three university students we have agreed to support. \$675 has been donated as at the end of April. There are more donations being received and we will distribute these moneys during June.
- Our acting Treasurer, David has indicated that our finances are looking better after receiving just under \$10,000 from the Government via Synod.
- Fundraising has been on hold for the last few months due to COVID-19 but with the relaxation of regulations we are anticipating this can recommence soon. Rhonda has been contacting our Hall hirers and a number are planning to return in the next few weeks. Rhonda and David have also been reorganising the Big Shed in anticipation that we maybe able to open this again in June-July.
- You may have noticed the damage to the fence on the corner of Portrush and Payneham roads. Repairing this will be covered by our insurance and we are currently getting quotes and making arrangements for this to be repaired.
- we have also begun discussing arrangements for returning to on-site church services - we need to wait for more info from the Government and from UCA SA Synod. We will let you know as soon as this has been received.

News from Synod via UC E-News

Reconciliation Sunday— Sunday 31 May

As part of Reconciliation Week we will be affirming our Covenanting Relationship with First Peoples this Sunday 31 May. Find worship resources (including intergenerational ideas) on the SA Synod website.

<https://sa.uca.org.au/documents/covenanting/Reconciliation-Sunday-2020/reconciliation-sunday-worship-resource-2020.pdf>

News from Synod via UC E-News continued

Prayer Points

This week we pray for:

- Australia's First Peoples and members of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress as we all continue to seek to reconcile the wrongs of the past
- Christians in Australia and around the world. May we show each other (and be blessed with) unusual kindness in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

Reflection of the week

Each of us is on a journey of reconciliation, with God and each other.

Restoring human relationships is part of God's reconciling mission in our world.

Through forgiveness, God's grace works to provide all with hope and a new way of living.

Micah 6:8 (New International Version)

And what does the LORD require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Thank you loving God for all the people in that live in our country
for all the races and cultures and the richness of our differences.

As we stand together with the Indigenous peoples of this land on National Sorry Day and
celebrate Reconciliation Sunday on our journey of reconciliation - forgive us for our
selfishness, our lack of sharing, caring and understanding.

We pray for covenantal relationships, founded on truth.

We pray for more just, inclusive and equal relationships in our nation and in the church.

Lord God, I want my heart to break from what breaks your heart,

to be truly compassionate, to be sincerely passionate about reconciliation and justice.

Thank you Creator God for the relationship each of us can have in you.

Amen

Today I choose to build community,

to break down barriers

and to reconcile with others

at every opportunity in my everyday life.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done,

in my life today.

VALID POLICE CHECK – FOR CHURCH LEADERS

As you will be aware, in July 2019 Uniting Church SA moved to the new Working with Children Check, as mandated by the State Government. All ministers and leaders within the church will need to have their Department of Human Services "Working with Children Check" completed by 30 June 2020. It's free for PRUC leaders who are 'volunteers'.

The former Uniting Church SA Screening and Authority will no longer be valid regardless of any date listed beyond 1 July 2020. If you have obtained your screening via other institutions please advise Uniting Church SA so their records can be brought up to date.

You can find more information on this via the Uniting Church SA website here: <https://sa.uca.org.au/safechurch/screening>. If you wish to discuss this further you can contact the general Safe Church enquiries via Linda Vinall (08) 8236 4248 calledtocare@sa.uca.org.au

Paraprosdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence is unexpected; Winston Churchill loved them: I DO TOO - submitted by Jan C.

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
3. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
4. War does not determine who is right - only who is left.
5. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting It in a fruit salad.
6. They begin the evening news with 'Good Evening,' then proceed to Tell you why it isn't.



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