



Cherry Church

An Active Witness to Jesus Christ in Cherry Gardens

Newsletter

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Church News

Ralph's Girls

Ralph Stephens is a member of our congregation. He was asked by his granddaughter to walk down the aisle at her wedding. Ralph accepted the task happily and confidently knowing his constant companion Tori the seeing-eye dog would give him the confidence for this important event. The photo shows a proud Ralph and his two girls Maddi (his granddaughter) and Tori his great friend. Notice that Tori had flowers round her neck to be properly dressed for the occasion.

The Royal Society for the Blind said this was the first time that a seeing eye dog had been involved in a wedding.



The Bell's Back



The church has an historic bell that was cast in Adelaide by C.&H. Wyatt in 1851.

In early times, the bell was hung in a tree at the top of Hicks Hill road near Cherry Gardens Road and used for a fire alarm. It could be heard over a wide area, as there wasn't the noise of modern times. The church acquired the bell and Ken Lewis, likely assisted by the members of the church trust, built a bell tower out of galv. pipe.

The bell tower was dismantled to make way for the construction of the new meeting room. It is now on the northern side of the church grounds and on a plinth. Malcolm Dunn kindly made steel footing plates and with his friends erected the tower and welded it to the plates. Ron Williamson made the cradle of red gum, which was how it was originally done. Ron supervised a team of three people Darryl Dyson, Grant Williamson and his friend Alistair Crooks, and given the weight of the bell and its saddle it was quite a task!

The Heritage Adviser approved the location and construction of the Tower. The church bell and tower were re-erected and relocated, and was rung for the 170th celebrations. Contributor was – Alan Dube

New Presbyteries

As a result of the Synod held late in 2018, South Australia will be creating new presbyteries. A non-geographic presbytery from 1 July 2019 (ostensibly for congregations holding a Biblical view of marriage) and an interim Presbytery which will operate until November 2019 when two geographic Presbyteries will also be established. A Restructuring Task Group (RTG) has been working to implement the Synod decision.

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LMT has been looking at the implications and will bring an information document to the congregation soon in preparation for a potential decision by the congregation on which Presbytery Cherry Gardens Uniting Church will go into. The Secretary will be contacting members of the congregation to clarify their membership status over the next week or two in preparation for the vote.

Let Us Pray For

- Alan and Prim Dube,
- Margaret Bennett and her family after Bill's passing
- Continue to uphold Lyn Whellan, Annetta De Boo and Merri Stoddart.
- Ralph Stephens who has more health concerns
- Alex McFarlane
- Jane Linn's parents, Elizabeth and Frank

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH

Date	Speaker	Worship Leader	Music	Bible Reader	Flowers/cleaning	Morning Tea
5 May	John Howland	John Howland	John Penberthy	Peter Work	Gill Marshman	Jane Linn
12 May	Daphne Weatherill	Dianne Dyson	Kerry Schneider	Alan Dube	Ruth (flowers)	Alan Dube
19 May	Lynona Hawkins	Rob Linn	Robin Cross	Marg Jacobs	Jane/Ron Linn	Phyllis Williamson
26 May	John Symons	Steph Dube	Jo Powell	TBA	Helen (flowers)	Dianne Dyson

SOME MORE DATES TO PUT IN THE DIARY

Sunday 5 May: Social activity at the home of Jane and Rob Linn after morning tea. BYO meat (or other food if not able to eat a BBQ) and salad or sweet to share. Tea, coffee, drinks, plates, bread etc. provided. Fellowship, chatting, enjoying the garden, relaxing or playing tennis for those able to.



Sunday 19 May: Mt Lofty Music Club at Sunset Rock Uniting Church, Stirling. Performance by Jasmin Milton on violin accompanied by Damien Mansfield on piano. Jasmine is 15 years old and has been playing violin for most of her life and also plays piano. Jasmine is in Year 10 at Concordia College and is heavily involved in the school orchestral music program as a lead violinist. She also leads in the String Quartet and sings in the Jazz choir. In July, 2018, Jasmine took part in ACO Academy (in Melbourne) for the 2nd time. Jasmine was the winner of the Jane Peters Violin medallion at the 2018 Adelaide Eisteddfod; the Bach String Solo prize and the Chamber Music section for Year 12 and under. In 2017 she was jointly awarded the Jean Adelaide Madeline Dent Scholarship- awarded by the AMEB to the most outstanding diploma violin candidate.

This year, within the Australian Youth Orchestra Program 2019, Jasmine has taken part in National Music Camp (Adelaide) as one of the youngest participants and in the AYO Young Symphonists program (Melbourne). She will also be performing as soloist with the Norwood Symphony Orchestra in September.

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