



The Uluru Statement of the Heart

“Inspired by the reconciling and renewing work of Christ, may we shape new communities ...” – Deidre Palmer

The Uniting Church in Australia has long supported National Reconciliation Week and it is seen as an opportunity to *“affirm our covenant relationship as First and Second Peoples”*.

“We acknowledge the wrongs of the past and the present and commit ourselves to take action towards the process of reconciliation,” said Dr Deidre Palmer, UCA President (2018-2021) In its statement the UCA also cited the Uluru Statement From The Heart and invited a *“movement of the Australian people for a better future”*.

“The final paragraph of the Statement from the Heart encourages a movement, First and Second Peoples together, the people born of this spectacular and ancient land together with all those who have migrated here, declaring a new way forward, announcing the rightful place of First Nations voices – a new way shaped by truth telling and treaty.”

“Inspired by the reconciling and renewing work of Christ, may we shape new communities of mutuality, dignity, care and compassion, and a respectful and deepened relationship with this ancient land and her First Peoples.”

ulurustatement.org
Walk with us. It's time.
Support a First Nations Voice to Parliament enshrined in the constitution.

The Uluru Statement
How far have we come since 2017?

A series of 4 studies on Sundays at 4pm

September 11	What does it actually say? A reflective reading of the statement.
October 2	A Voice enshrined in the Constitution How close have we come?
November 6	Treaty! Are we getting anywhere?
December 4	Truth! Can we lift the veil of denial?

Venue
Oakleigh Uniting Church
154 Drummond St Oakleigh VIC

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As current supply minister at St David's Oakleigh. I was delighted recently when one of our members at the end of a church council meeting asked if it was OK if they raised something. They said they were feeling a strong nudge or call to learn more about the Uluru Statement from the Heart, and hopefully do something which would help towards its being adopted. The rest of the Church Council agreed and so we met with John Rickard, who as you know has a long history of working with and for Congress, and who had run a very successful series of studies on this theme in his home congregation, Fairfield, last year.

We have decided to run this series of studies at St David's, once a month on Sundays at 4.00pm. I am attaching a brochure about them. There may be people in your congregation who feel a similar interest in the Uluru Statement, so I am asking if you would publicise this to your people, and see who is interested.

I am really looking forward to being part of this series of studies, and seeing where it may lead us. I believe the Uluru Statement is a gracious invitation for us to join in changing our nation and that this is exactly the right time for us to accept this invitation and walk with our First Nations Peoples.

Best wishes *(and for contact details)*

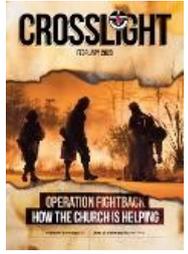
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Click on the image below or follow this link to download the Statement of the Heart Study Guide
<https://uniting.church/statement-from-the-heart-study-guide/>



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ASSEMBLY





CROSSLIGHT is available on the internet - click on the following link or the CROSSLIGHT image to view online. www.crosslight.org.au

Print copies of CROSSLIGHT are available at the entrance of the Black Rock Uniting Church.

We pray for all in need especially -

Prayers of the People



Susanne & Family (Mildura)
Helen Cole
Joyce Curnow
Hala
Joan Lum and family
Virginia (Nan's friend)
Betty Kneen
Pete, Christine, Ben, Bruce & Valda
(Jo-ann & David's friends)

Stuart as he struggles with addiction
Jenny, Janine and June
Bartholomeusz
Margaret's neighbour Joan
Anita and Kingsley
Rosemary & Bob
Susan Bartell & brother John
on the loss of their uncle

Bronwyn
Gloria, Samson & Family
Barb Loosemore and brother
Isobel Churchward
Gemma and Teresa
Sybil Bond
Grace Fairbank
All our members who are suffering from COVID.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: Thanks to everyone who have continued to make their weekly offering.

Envelopes: If you wish your offering to be specifically for Cheltenham, please place it in an envelope marked "Cheltenham" and place it in the offering bowl at church.

Direct Debit: Cheltenham / Mentone members note that direct payments can now be made to our new Westpac account at Southland, **BSB number is 033 358, Account Number is 664 881**

Payee "Uniting Church in Australia Cheltenham Mentone Parish Council"

The former Commonwealth Bank - BSB 06 3119, Account Number 1014 1206 - is still active for the time being.

Cheltenham-Mentone Members: Please bear in mind that although we are worshipping at Black Rock, the expenses of electricity, water, insurance, maintenance and Minister's stipend are still ongoing at Cheltenham.

Social Collection Department

BayCISS - collection of goods by Graeme & Joan Wood has recommenced. Leave goods with them at 66 Bernard St. Cheltenham, or call them (Graeme & Joan Wood) on 9555 0462

Emerge - Financial help is the best way to help - Cheques to - GPO Box 420 Melbourne VIC 3001 or donate via the website www.emergesupport.org.au Emerge welcomes vouchers for supermarkets or art materials which children could use at home - materials, pencils, colouring books etc. Margaret Bode is happy to collect items if you leave them at her home, 16 Monaco Street Parkdale. **Donations in an envelope marked EMERGE may be left in the collection plate.**

Church on the Internet - Sunday 10am (virtual doors open 9:45 am)



If you don't have Zoom on your computer/laptop/iPad/Smartphone, click on <https://zoom.us/support/download>

Then click on this link below or the "Sunday Church" image to join our Service - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85247373230?pwd=WIM2UHJEemFWS3RScnNqM3puaGdZdz09>

Otherwise open Zoom and enter the following - **Meeting ID: 852 4737 3230 Passcode: 836844**
You can also join us on your phone by dialling **03 7018 2005** and entering the above meeting details.



Videos on the Internet



YouTube Channel; Follow this link or click on the YouTube logo https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCH-y4pZ_f_LezegzNZi6nnQ to view a selection of **over 50** sermons and service preludes



With our members participating

The Creation by Joseph Haydn

BOOK NOW



Three important events with some of our members participating -

Friday 2nd September 7pm: David Johnston and Jo-ann Stenton present a night of hilarious silent movies at the Holy Trinity Anglican Church, cnr Brighton Rd & Chapel St. "Who needs a Wurlitzer to play silent movies?" says David. "The 1883 Fincham classical organ will do fine". Tickets available at the door. Proceeds in aid of the Glen Eira City Choir

Saturday 3rd September 7:30pm: Haydn's "The Creation" by the Melbourne Bach Choir at St Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne. If you look very closely at the above picture you may just be able to see our own Peter Hutchinson. Click on either image for booking details.

September 1st - 17th: "The Jewel by the Sea" by our own Cheryl Threadgold. Click on image (next page) for booking details

Melbourne Bach Choir and Orchestra
Conducted by Rick Prakhoff

THE CREATION

JOSEPH HAYDN

Rick Prakhoff
Conductor

Kathryn Radcliffe
Soprano

Andrew Goodwin
Tenor

Adrian Tamburini
Bass-baritone

Saturday 3 September at 7.30pm
St Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne

Bookings bit.ly/3HCuAdy

SPONSOR
Melbourne Bach Choir www.mbc.asn.au

Restart Investment to Sustain and Expand (RISE) Fund - an Australian Government initiative.

SILENT MOVIE NIGHT
FRIDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

THE ORGAN UNMASKED

After two years of lockdown the Holy Trinity Fincham Pipe organ is finally unmasked as David Johnston OAM accompanies some of the funniest silent movies

7.00pm start Friday 2nd September
Holy Trinity Anglican Church
Cnr Chapel Street and Brighton Road, Balaclava (Melway 58 12D)
Admission \$20

What is faith if it is not translated into action
- Mabatma Gandhi

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

Wednesday, 7 September 2022 at 1pm

The Training Room,
Level 1, 39 Clow Street Dandenong
[Meeting via ZOOM if COVID restrictions in place]

Light refreshments provided

RSVP: 31 August to Helen Heath (Executive Officer)
executive@interfaithnetwork.org.au
0421 829 563

Guest Speaker - Dr Melika Yassin Sbeikh-Eldin
Topic - 'Faith in Action'

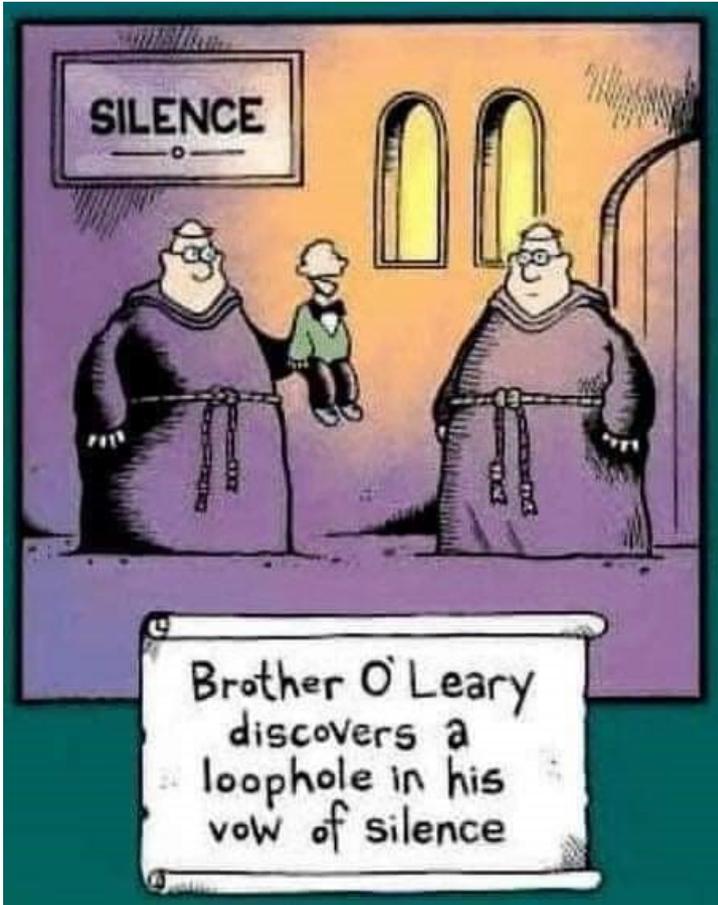
Dr. Sbeikh-Eldin is responsible for strategic community relations involving ongoing dialogue and capacity building partnerships with refugee communities and sector organizations for AMES Australia in Victoria.

Melika also oversees and mentors the successful and internationally recognized Community Guides Network.

Dr. Melika is a recipient of "the 100 most influential African Australians" Award, the "Pride of Australia Medal for Fair Go" and a finalist for the voices of courage Awards from the Women's Refugee Commission in New York.

Click on image or contact Cheryl Threadgold
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For more details

And still they keep coming from goodness knows where ..



And don't forget
(and we do know where it comes from ..)

FINALLY FINISHED UP THAT DECK
AND GOT THE POOL INSTALLED



invite you to join us at the 5th season

The Jewel by the Sea

2022

WRITTEN BY
Cheryl Threadgold

DIRECTED BY
Debbie Keyt

ORIGINAL MUSIC BY
Kristy de la Rambelya



Presented in intimate cabaret style in Tamar's Tearoom
BYO refreshments, nibbles, glasses, plates & napkins

**1ST - 17TH
SEPTEMBER**

THURSDAY 1ST - VIP GALA NIGHT 8PM

A creative portrayal of Charles Hotson Ebdens's time during the planning, building and life at Black Rock House, 1854-1861.



TICKETS \$30 Adults, \$25 Concession, \$20 Children (16 & under)

<https://www.trybooking.com/CBICE>

Enquiries - friends@blackrockhouse@gmail.com

Black Rock House, 30-36 Ebdens Ave, Black Rock

