

## YILKI HAPPENINGS – MAY 2017



Greetings to you, the 'Friends of Yilki'

**WE SEEK TO BE AN INNOVATIVE, GROWING CHURCH PROCLAIMING JESUS CHRIST, EMPOWERED BY THE SPIRIT TO TRANSFORM GOD'S WORLD**

The Sausage Sizzle & Garage Sale on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January incorporated the Australia Day holiday time. There was a Sausage Sizzle & a variety of Trading Tables at 64 Franklin Parade, Encounter Bay, which is an idyllic location. It is always a great opportunity to meet many familiar faces who are always so supportive of Yilki on an ongoing basis. A Monster Garage Sale, including a huge array of books and clothes, was held simultaneously just around the corner at 15 Tabernacle Road.



On February 19<sup>th</sup> there was a special service to welcome a group of new members to our Congregation. This is always a wonderful celebration and it was combined with a Pancake Day lunch with proceeds supporting the work of UnitingCare.

Ash Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March marked the beginning of the Season of Lent so the Tuesdays @10 Reflections Group embarked on a special Lenten study series.

One of our twice yearly 'Evening of Asian Delights' events happened on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April. On this occasion the evening was packed beyond capacity which created some challenges for the kitchen crew but they soldiered on and it was a wonderful evening for fun and fellowship and also a productive fundraiser. We were very fortunate to secure the services of Jazz Singing Group Déjà vu and their performance added an extra dimension to the occasion and was most appreciated by all in attendance.



The Easter Season seemed to follow in rapid succession and much planning was put into the special services. The Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service of Shadows, to recreate the emotional aspects of the Passion Story, was particularly moving and well attended. There are a series of Scripture Readings and candles are lit. As candles are extinguished folk leave the service in silence.



There was also a Good Friday Service and triumphant service of celebration on Easter Sunday. There were special music and solo contributions over this period which really worked to enhance worship.

On Easter Saturday we had our usual Monster Garage Sale and all the usual team of loyal dedicated helpers came to the fore even though they must have been feeling a little overwhelmed. The weather was perfect and the Sausage Sizzle gourmets did a roaring trade as did all the stalls, clothing and books.

Over this period there has been an Annual General Meeting and quite a few new faces have appeared on Church Council and also amongst those who have accepted responsibilities for a myriad of other duties necessary in the life of an active church. The Pastoral Care Team is also in the process of restructure.

Yilki Church is so blessed with generous willing helpers who give joyfully and unconditionally.

We are looking forward to many exciting Happenings coming up.

**June 18:** A visit from Adelaide West Men's Choir. The group will conduct the morning worship service in its entirety and in the afternoon perform at a superb concert with a portion of the proceeds being contributed to Australind International Children's Fund in India.

**9<sup>th</sup> July:** A concert by the Fleurieu Male Choir to support Pastoral Support Workers in our local schools. It is also hoped that the three local Uniting Churches may combine in some way later in the year to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Union.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YILKI CHURCH

**Sunday Services:** at 10.30am followed by Morning Tea  
(Communion Service 1<sup>st</sup> Sun of the month)

**Adult Fellowship:** 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 1.30pm

**Tuesdays@10: Reflections Group.** Phone Rev Casey for details

**Yilki Ladies' Lunch:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 12 noon

**Happy Drives** for the elderly (incl afternoon tea): 2pm on 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

**There are many activities in which to become involved at Yilki Church**

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*reach out to people in need  
speak out for fairness and justice  
care with compassion, innovation and wisdom*



## THE UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA WILL GROW IN 2017 AND BEYOND

The Basis of Union identifies us as a “pilgrim people. Always on the way towards a promised goal”. Our hope and prayer is that, as pilgrims together, we will continue to grow, connect and build Christ's church.

