

YILKI HAPPENINGS – OCTOBER 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

On the 18th June Yilki had a much awaited visit from the Adelaide West Men's Choir plus Associated Artists. The group conducted the morning Worship Service in its entirety and performed at a superb concert in the afternoon, with a large part of the proceeds being donated to Australind International Children's Fund in India. This group of musicians are so generous with their time, specially travelling to Victor Harbor for these occasions.



The Uniting Churches of the Fleurieu celebrated the 40th Anniversary of Union on 25th June with a combined luncheon event, the Guest Speaker being the Rev Dr Andrew Dutney. This was a very special occasion and his inspiring message highlighted that 'God is calling us to be a church which receives its diversity as the precious gift of the Spirit that it is'.

There was a special and very informative NAIDOC recognition service on July 2nd when Mary-Anne Gale, Research Fellow at the University of Adelaide and Auntie Phyllis Williams Ngarrindjeri Elder and Language Coordinator explained the aims to keep the language and culture alive and strong.

Once again on Sunday 9th July we were fortunate enough to enjoy a concert by the Fleurieu Male Choir. This group give of their time freely to support the valuable mission of the Pastoral Care Workers in our local schools. This happens annually and is always pleasant opportunity to sit in the warmth away from the the winter chill and enjoy some lovely music.



On Wednesday 26th July there was the annual Fellowship Outreach Afternoon. All the local churches are invited and it is always a lovely occasion. Entertainment was provided by a wonderful group of South African singers with proceeds supporting a South African charity.

The Spring Fair was soon upon us but the weather was most unkind and not at all 'Springy' However, we were once again supported by our regular folk and spirits were lifted by the performance of the delightful Ukulele Group. In spite of the inclement weather and the football grand final, the day was not only a great social occasion but raised significant funds to ensure that Yilki continues to support its mission of community outreach.



Currently happening is the Evening of Asian Delights on Saturday 14th October. This happens twice a year and is always a great occasion. We are blessed to have a Minister and his wife who have culinary expertise and are generous enough to give freely of their talents in support of Yilki's mission of community outreach. They are supported by a band of hardworking and dedicated folk and we are also privileged to have obtained the services of



talented musician/piano player Neville Willis.

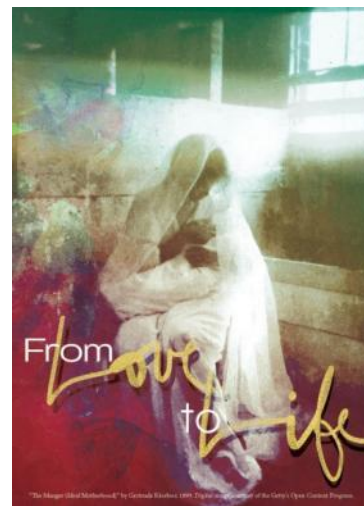


On Sunday 15th October the annual Pet Blessing Service at 10.30am. was a huge success. This is held around the time of the celebration of the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals. It is an acknowledgement of the significance of these wonderful animals in our lives and the companionship they

offer, particularly at times of great need.

Yilki Uniting Church will celebrate its 98th Anniversary on Sunday 4th November with the Guest Speaker being Susan Burt Coordinator of the Urban Mission Network. A shared lunch will follow the Service.

Christmas is almost upon us so the season of Advent will, as usual, be a particularly busy and meaningful time in the Christian Calendar. The Yilki Christmas Lunch will be on the 17th December, at which time the Christmas Tree will be erected and goods for South Coast Christian Community Care placed under it to help those in very real need in our local community.



For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life – John 3: 16