MINISTER'S BLOG (Douglas)

"Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more; or close the wall up with our English dead. In peace there's nothing so becomes a man as modest stillness and humility: but when the blast of war blows in our ears, then imitate the action of the tiger;" (Shakespeare: Henry V Act 3 Scene 1)

So begins a rousing speech by King Henry V prior to the battle of Agincourt. It is natural to think about kings today as we celebrate Christ the King. When we think of kings we see strong men, rich men with power, commanding subjects to carry out their whims, enforcing their rule with violence or reward. Kings are dominant rulers.

This causes a problem when we consider the kingship of Jesus. It jars with our thinking of what a king is. Isn't this the man beaten, flogged and nailed to a cross with a mocking crown of thorns and a roughly hewed name plaque nailed above His head? Isn't this the man who taught humility, service to others and grace? Didn't He come to serve and not to be served? Yes to all the above. And yes to the fact that this is the man who was resurrected, ascended into heaven and will return in glory. Jesus is the king who models love and service to others, Jesus is the king who has lordship over death, Jesus is the one God has ordained to be King of Kings. And this King is coming back. This king reigns for eternity with divine justice. "For God chose what was low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are" (1 Cor 1:28). As we celebrate today let us remember this radically different image of kingship and repeat our oath of allegiance to Him.

"**For your diary"** the Induction Service of Rev Rod Dyson will be held at Adelaide West on Tuesday, January 15th at 7.30pm.

Small Group feature of the week:

DeBoos Group	Monday evening weekly
Who are we: Young adults aged 24 to 35	
What we do: Pray for each other and nation followed by bible study	

If you would like a full list of small groups at AWUC or like any other information, contact Brett (0407 250 609) or Ruth (0450 694 844)



Healing Service Wednesday November 28th @ 7.30pm in the Chapel with Rev. Dr. Phil Carr OAM followed by supper.

Tuesday **Coffee @ Chat** Craft Group will hold it's Christmas lunch on Tuesday 27th November at the home of Linda & Trevor Story. Present and past members welcome. Meet at the church at 11.30am

Pt Vincent Scripture Union Family Mission.

TODAY we will be selling sliced cake / biscuits to go with your cup of tea/coffee (between the 9:15am & 10:45 am services) - \$2.50/ slice of cake - 50c/ biscuit

If you would like to know about this mission please talk to Louise Fielke, Richard/Sandy Altmann or Rachel Ferguson.

"Songs and Scones"

Adelaide West Men's Choir & Friends Concert

TODAY 2.30pm @ AWUC

Admission \$12; Conc \$10; Children free
Devonshire afternoon tea provided
Proceeds to Adelaide West Refugee Fund



City of West Torrens Summer Festival— As part of the Festival there will be market stalls available at each event to sell drinks, food arts and crafts.

Saturday 22 December: Movie- The Polar Express.

Saturday 19 January: Music Live Band Johnny Cash Classics.

Saturday 02 February: Movie—The Lorax.

Saturday 09 February: Music – Love Band Mr Buzzy.

Saturday 16 February: Movie Eat, Pray, Love (M) (food only Markets)

Saturday 23 February: Music-Live Band ABBA Gold

Stall holder applications available WT website or phone or email

Amanda Johnston: ajohnston@wtcc.sa.gov.au; 8416 6212

A congregational meeting is to be held on **Dec 9 at 2pm**.



Dec 2, 2012

9.15 am Phil Carr10.45 am Phil Carr6.00 pm Douglas Monaghan7pm Friday 7th Youth

Readings Dec 2 First Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33: 14-15 Psalm 25: 1-10 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Luke 21: 25-36

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John 18:33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be

fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here."

Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Nov 25, 2012

9.15 am Worship for Today10.45am Family Worship6.00 pm Young Adults7pm Friday 30th Youth

Readings Christ the King/ Reign of Christ

2 Samuel23: 1-7 Psalm 132:1-12, (13-18) Revelation1:4b-8 John 18:33-37