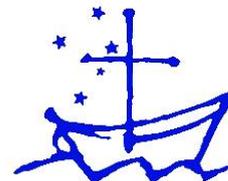


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June 1947: formation of ecumenical council in SA – local celebrations?

SA Council of Churches [SACC] was formed as an ecumenical council in June 1947 "to represent South Australia in the World Council of Churches and to function as an integral part of the Ecumenical Movement". Seventy years later, SACC continues to exist through the membership and active participation of eleven Churches across SA in their desire for and commitment to greater manifestation of their unity in Christ.

The primary focus for their ecumenical council is as a place of gathering where the Churches together nurture and nourish their understanding, spiritual growth, disposition and practice of ecumenism, so that all may be drawn into deeper expressions of love and more visible expressions of Christian unity, from within as well as across.

On 29 April 2017, SACC has arranged with four city church communities to host a pilgrimage-gathering [www.sacc.asn.au]. SACC Community for Local Ecumenism hopes that many interchurch councils, Lenten study groups, ministers circles, ecumenical organisations, parishes and congregations etc will arrange a local event during 2017.

You may find the SACC 70th Birthday Outline helpful as you consider [www.sacc.asn.au], or you may have other ideas. In any case, Community for Local Ecumenism [sacc1@picknowl.com.au] looks forward to hearing from you and to receiving your story as we celebrate the steps taken since 1947 to make more manifest our unity in Christ.

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SA Council of Churches: nurturing and nourishing the understanding, spiritual growth and practice of ecumenism across the Churches of South Australia