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1.WHERE ARE YOU?

What is your local community like? What are its characteristics, its needs? Where is it changing?

2. WHO ARE YOU?

Can you describe your congregation? (Worship, mission, and life together). What are you good at? What do you enjoy doing? What are your challenges – where do you need help?

3. HOW ARE YOU REACHING OUT

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4. WHAT IS GOD CALLING YOU TO DO?

Is there a new way that you feel God might be leading you? Perhaps there's something you've been thinking about that might be important for the church to consider. Is there something that needs to change or end?

You're invited!



3.30pm Sunday 18th June Village Cinema, Geelong. \$15 profit to BWA South Sudan Appeal Bookings Tel 5263 2744 or email admin@angleseaboatist.au.au A Reminder about the Parish Service to Farewell the Rev Helen Robinson

Sunday June 25th. 11am at the Anglesea Church

- Anglesea to supply Soup & Sausage Rolls
- Torquay Supply Sandwiches
- Bellbrae & Airies Inlet Supply Cakes & Slices -
- Put this date in your Diary









Aireys Inlet

Anglesea

Bellbrae

Torquay

Another message from the Editor.

The only adverse comment about our new look newsletter has come from older members of our congregation which was "as people get older they have trouble with the font size", we have been using (10) so I have decided to increase the font size to (11) in the main areas, this is slightly larger than the printing in books. I hope you are happy with this, I have to be honest as I now find it easier to read.

Just in case you are wondering why some information is repeated like the Mission study sessions, not everyone writes things like this in their diaries and we want to keep it foremost in you mind.

Just thinking out loud, we have three small churches in seaside and country areas and one church in a much larger town with houses springing up all the way from Geelong to Torquay. This is where any growth in numbers will come from and really needs to be considered in our decision making.

Do we we need to merge the three smaller churches into one, meeting together possibly in different locations on a rotation basis?

Would it be possible to get one of the bigger Geelong Churches to take the smaller churches under their wing? Interesting questions that need to be explored.

Peter Heath.

Today

Anglesea 9.00
Aireys Inlet 10.30
Jean Murray
Torquay 9.30
Rev Ron Manley
Bellbrae 11.00
Rev Bernie Long

Bellbrae Bric-A-Brac and Book Stall
Sorting each Tuesday 1pm – 4.30pm
helpers are very welcome.
Opening times Thur. & Friday 10am - 4pm
Saturday 10am–1pm



Next Week
Anglesea 9.00
Rev Bernie Long
Aireys Inlet 10.30
Worship Team
Torquay 9.30
Bellbrae 11.00
Brian Shaw

The next Anglesea Congregational Meeting will be on 27th August 2017.

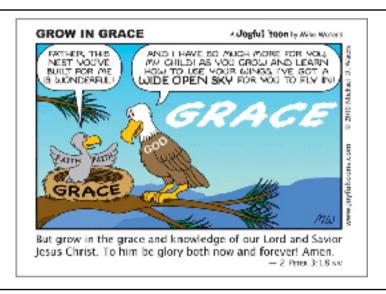
The Link Council is holding a **Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Torquay on Saturday 24th. June.** They are seeking volunteers for the time slots (9 - 11) (11- 2) & (2 - 4)

If you can help please ring Michael Lambkin on 5261 4256

Please keep the **Mystery Parcels for Anglesea's fete** in mind and put aside those 'unwanted' gifts, anything unused, suitable for children or adults.

Prayers for the Surf Coast Uniting Churches' future:

At Anglesea, each Saturday 9.30am-10.30. Come when you can, go when you must.



The four Uniting church congregations along the Surfcoast are set in a most beautiful place, where the bush meets the sea.

Whether you choose to worship at Torquay, Bellbrae, Anglesea or Aireys Inlet you will find a really warm welcome.

In our worship we seek to invite people into the love and mystery of God, who has given his Son so that we can enter freely into relationship with our God. We celebrate the love God has for us, and for all creation, and think about what it means to be disciples of Jesus.

Mission Study sessions will be held at Torquay Uniting Church on June 27th, 2-4 PM and Anglesea on July 18th at 6:30 PM.

Please save the dates and plan to attend both sessions if you are able.

We are entering a time of discernment for our congregations.

As you know, our congregations will soon have a ministry vacancy. In the Uniting Church, this signals the beginning of a time of discernment. It is a time to ask the question about where God is leading us and what ministry is needed for the next phase of our journey as a congregation.

Where are we going as a congregation?

As part of this discernment process, the Presbytery will lead a Mission Study. The purpose of this is to help us think and pray together about what God might be calling us to in mission and ministry in our life together over the next phase of our journey. This then will help us understand more about what kind of ministry we will need to help us achieve this.

What ministry do we need?

Part of these Mission Study sessions will involve thinking about the particular gifts and skills of ministry needed. But beyond this, the Port Phillip West Presbytery also asks congregations to make a decision about the options of 'Regeneration' or 'Traditional' ministry. This will be explained on the day. However, to put it simply, a congregation may choose to call a 'Regeneration Minister' if their key focus is about exploring mission and growth and new forms of church. Whilst of course all ministries and congregations have this interest, a regeneration ministry will state that intentionally from the start, and time will be specifically dedicated to this as a priority, along with worship and pastoral care.

Mission Study questions

An integral part of the Mission Study sessions is the consideration of the following four questions. The responses to these will also provide the basis of the Congregational Profile, which is given to ministers whom you may choose to have a conversation with. It would be great if individuals give this some thought before the Mission Study sessions.

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