

Surfcoast Uniting Churches



14^h April 2019

Lectionary Readings

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50 4-9a
Psalm 118 1-2, 19-29
Philemon 2: 5-11
Luke 19 28-40

Easter Sunday

Acts 10 34-43
Ps 118 1-2, 14-24
1 Cor 15 19-26
John 20 1-18

Sunday Worship Services

Today

Anglesea	9:00	Rev Kenneth Ralph
Torquay	9:30	Rev Suzie Castle
Aireys Inlet	10:30	Rev Kenneth Ralph
Bellbrae	11:00	Rev Suzie Castle

Good Friday

Anglesea	9:15	Rev Margaret Russell
Torquay	9:30	Rev Suzie Castle
Aireys Inlet	10:30	Rev Margaret Russell
Bellbrae	11:00	Rev Suzie Castle

Easter Sunday

Anglesea	9:00	Rev Suzie Castle	Aireys Inlet	10:30	Rev Suzie Castle
Bellbrae	11:00	Rev Kevin Yelverton	Torquay	9:30	Rev Kevin Yelverton


Minister's message... Peace by with you Suzie Castle

Here we are on Palm Sunday and the crowd goes wild as Jesus enters Jerusalem for the Passover festival. A carpet of cloaks and leaves are laid out beneath the feet of a donkey carrying Jesus the Christ. Shouts of "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" fill the air. Imagine the disruption this caused to the usual lead up to Passover. But for the past 3 years, Jesus has been disrupting and disturbing the status quo. He reworked the relationship we have with God and taught us what he expects from us in building neighbourly relationships and being in relationship with each other. Jesus has taught us to realise the value of every person and to look after this planet. He taught us to be counter-cultural if the current culture doesn't have Kingdom values. For sure we risk the "bleeding hearts" label when we advocate for the refugee or reach out to our Muslim neighbour. We may be called "unrealistic" when we demand real, genuine action by government and business to care for God's creation that is often abused and violated for power or monetary gain. This is the week the election date is set and here we are afforded the time and space to pray and reflect on how God has shaped us to be a people of conviction, not conformity. Jesus, through his love and humility, came to break down the walls we have built around our hearts and our cultures. He did this so that we might bring peace and unity to our broken world, and freedom and dignity to every person in it. These are the convictions that seek the glory of God.

Minister

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Anglesea

Trinity Uniting Church
Murch Crescent
Anglesea.


Bellbrae

Bellbrae Uniting Church
Cnr School and Anglesea Roads
Bellbrae.

Torquay

Torquay Uniting Church
27 Anderson Street
Torquay.

Bookroom and Brick A Brac at Bellbrae

 Bellbrae Op Shop
and Book Room

Ph: (03) 5261 5139
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Opening Times

Thursday, Friday 10am–4pm
Saturday 10am–1pm
Tuesday sorting: 1pm–4:30pm
Helpers are very welcome

Coastal Calendar for April 15th-21st

Tues 16 th	Torquay Beaut Beanies	10:30am
Tues 16 th	Prayer Shawl Knitting Group	2:00pm
Wed 17 th	Aireys Ecumenical Bible Study	10:30am
Thurs 18 th	Anglesea SPAM	6:00pm
Thurs 18 th	Maunday Thursday Passover Dinner and Tenebrae Service	6:00pm
Friday 19 th	Good Friday services in all churches	

Coastal Calendar for April 22-28

Tues 23 rd	Torquay Beaut Beanies	10:30am
Tues 23 rd	Prayer Shawl Knitting Group	2:00pm
Friday 26 th	Coffee and Kids	9:30am

WHAT'S ON THE COAST

Surf Coast Parish.....Passover Meal and Tenebrae Service

This special service is only 4 days away now. Could each congregation please consult within their community to access Tickets. Tuesday 17th is the LATEST for numbers attending please.

The Maundy Thursday Passover meal is on April 18th at 6:00pm Star of the Sea Community Centre. This will be followed by a Tenebrae service (otherwise known as the service of Shadows) which ends in silence and darkness as we journey towards Good Friday. Please note the space will be darkened rather than dark to prevent falls or trips. For further details on the services or to participate in the service please contact Suzie.

Anglesea



Meet the candidates for Corangamite

Q&A

FREE ENTRY

Sarah Henderson MP
Liberal Party of Australia

Invited

Libby Coker
Australian Labor Party

Confirmed

Simon Northeast
Australian Greens

Confirmed

Damien Cole
Independent

Confirmed

Neil Harvey
United Australia Party

Invited

Find out about your candidates' policies on issues affecting refugees and people seeking asylum.

Tuesday 23rd April, 7.30pm

Torquay Football Club Spring Creek Pavilion

For more information email: aireysinletrar@gmail.com, phone: 0427701275

Are you going to be ready for Easter?

The Association of Combined Christian Churches of Anglesea invite you to an evening of **meditation, prayer and music** as we prepare to celebrate Easter. Come and partake in our **Tenebrae service, (otherwise known as the service of Shadows)** which ends in silence and darkness as the candles are successively extinguished during our time of prayer and meditation.

Where and When:

Trinity Uniting Church, Murch Crescent, Anglesea.

Wednesday 17th April 2019, 7.30pm.

Everyone is welcome at no charge.

Can you help with watering the Church garden one of three days per week? Please let John Balderstone know and a roster will be formed Saturday 27th April at 9.30 is a Working Bee please keep this date free.

Bellbrae

Surf Coast Arts Trail Contributors needed

Calling, crafters, painters, bakers and willing helpers.

Bellbrae is inviting anyone in our parish who would like to join us and participate in the Surf Coast Arts Trail on August 10th and 11th. This has become an annual event on our calendar, which has developed friendships and raised money for our linked congregations. We are calling for submissions from artists and crafters to exhibit and/or sell their work. We also invite people who would like to sell crafts and cakes. Space is limited and entries need to be in to John Adams by April 9th. This year we are waving the exhibition fee in exchange for a few hours of your time serving in the op-shop or book room. We are also looking for volunteers to do two-hour stints between 10am and 4 pm on both days. If you would like to be involved please contact John on 0431920806 or email: waytoolongtobeawebsite@yahoo.com

Bellbrae Bric-a-Brac volunteer roster June to December 2019

Many thanks to all our fabulous Bellbrae Bric-a-Brac volunteers this year, you have done a great job; sorting, arranging and selling goods of all sorts and of course lots of chatting. Please have a happy and peaceful Easter as you meet up with family and friends. I would appreciate it if all current volunteers could let me know of any changes that need to be made to the next six month roster, as soon as possible. I am off overseas in May for six weeks, so I would like to complete the roster in the next couple of weeks. I know I have really enjoyed working in the Op Shop and meeting our volunteers and customers. So if you know of anyone who would like to volunteer, please let me know. All that is required is a Working With Children Check, forms available from me.

If you could let me know if anyone has a new or different email address, that would be great.

My Contact details are: helen.c.g@bigpond.com and my mobile 0438639609.

Many Thanks, Helen Gaylard

Torquay

Torquay Uniting Church Dine Out----Date change

The next Dine out will be on Monday **April 29th** at the Beach Hotel Jan Juc, at 12 noon.

Please Contact Jean Elder on 52615540.

More News

John Bell- – please let Rev Suzie know if you want to travel together to any of the sessions. The website to see what is available and book is www.wellspringcommunity.org.au

Newsletter mail out – We are establishing an email data base for the newsletter. If this is the way you would prefer to receive your church communications each week, please let us know at newslettersurfcoastuc@gmail.com

This move helps lessen our footprint on the environment as well as monetary cost to the church

Lent Event 2019 is themed *Live Simply* which is found on the website. <https://www.lentevent.com>

Donations to assist the work of Uniting World through this link as well the **Lent Event** information booklet available from your church.

Minister Dates for Leave

2019 holidays - June 17th - 30th and September 2nd - 8th (3 weeks)

2019 study leave - September 30-October 6

Our Fire Plan

No Church activities will take place on any day declared **EXTREME** or **CODE RED**. This includes worship services.

Contributions

Contributions for the newsletter to

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Deadline Thursday 05:00pm.