



2nd June 2019

Surfcoast Uniting Churches

Lectionary Readings

Easter 7

Acts 16: 16-34

Psalm 97

Rev 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21

John 17: 20-26

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104 24-34, 35b

Romans 8:14-17

OR Acts 2:1-21

John 14: 8-17 (25-27)

Sunday Worship Services

Today: 2nd June

Anglesea 9:00 (C) Rev Suzie Castle

Aireys Inlet 10:30 (C) Rev Suzie Castle

Torquay 9:30 Rev Kenneth Ralph

Bellbrae 11.00 Rev Kenneth Ralph

Next Week: 9th June

Anglesea 9:00 Rev Margaret Russell

Aireys Inlet 10:30 Rev Margaret Russell

Torquay 9:30 (C) Rev Suzie Castle

Bellbrae 11.00 (C)) Rev Suzie Castle

Minister

Rev Suzie Castle

Sunday to Tuesday

Thursday & Friday

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On Leave: 17 to 30 June 2019

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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

BOOK ROOM & BRIC A BRAC AT BELLBRAE

OPENING HOURS

Thursday & Friday : 10am to 4pm

Saturday : 10am to 1pm

Additional helpers are always
welcome. Sorting day is Tuesday from
1pm to 4.30pm

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A message from Dr Deidre Palmer

President. Uniting Church in Australia Assembly 26 May 2019

ABC News has regrettably published a story seeking to highlight divisions within our Church over our decision last year to allow ministers and authorised celebrants the freedom to perform same-gender marriages.

The report contains many factual errors, false allegations and misrepresentations that we will seek to address with the ABC in due course.

By way of background, the journalist who produced the story first approached the Church back in February. It quickly became apparent that his story was based on the premise of division in spite of all evidence presented to the contrary.

As a result, the decision was taken not to cooperate with the ABC on this story.

Many respected Uniting Church leaders and theologians refused the journalist's requests for comment.

For those members who may be disturbed to read, see or hear this report, please be assured that right across the Uniting Church, leaders continue to work in good faith across our theological diversity.

The Uniting Church in Australia Assembly's decision to recognise two statements of belief on marriage remains in place.

This decision allows ministers and celebrants authorised by the Uniting Church the freedom to conduct or to refuse to conduct same-gender marriages.

I want to reassure all members of the Uniting Church - your rights to follow your beliefs on marriage will continue to be respected and protected.

The voices in today's ABC report are in no way authorised by the Uniting Church, and they are certainly not representative of the abundant goodwill among our Church members, and the way in which we continue to witness to God's abundant grace in our community.

FROM OUR CONGREGATIONS:

Anglesea Under 11 Netball Team with new Shirts and



Anglesea Junior Football Team with New Singlets



The Anglesea congregation is delighted to be sponsoring Anglesea's junior footballers and net ballers, as a means of sharing their care and God's love for the young people in our district. Training singlets have been presented to the junior footballers and training tops to the netball team. Funds for this outreach were sourced from private donations from church members, the Anne Salvado Bequest and the Simpson Bequest.

DIARY DATES



Morning tea Celebrations: Torquay congregation will raise funds for the Cancer Council for three weeks in June celebrating Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.



Saturday 8th June: Beaut Beanies Group will be selling their wonderful hand knitted Beanies at the *Torquay Farmer's Market*. 8.30am to 1pm. Money raised is for Save The Children Fund.

Thursday 13th June: Anglesea Elders Meeting at 4pm

Looking Ahead:

In June and July, Uniting Care will be collecting warm clothes, blankets and extra food to assist with the winter weather.

Please place all donations in the appropriate baskets,

Saturday 6th July: Bunnings BarBQ @ Torquay

Sunday 7th July: Anglesea Congressional Meeting

Coastal Calendar for June 3rd to June 9th

Tues 4 th	Torquay Beaut Beanies	10:30am
Tues 4 th	Anglesea Prayer Shawl Knitting Gp	2:00pm
Thurs 6 th	Torquay Coffee and Kids	9:30am
Fri 7 th	Torquay Coffee and Kids	9:30am

UPDATE YOUR FIRST AID:

Cameron Walker, the UCA Vic/Tas Safety Officer has facilitated new first aid courses for our congregations. This is a great opportunity to refresh or learn new skills. The courses are fully accredited.

Wednesday 5th June 2019

Darebin Uniting Church 399 Murray Road PRESTON

Times: 9AM TO 3.30PM

Tuesday 25th June 2019

Wesley Geelong Uniting Church 100

Yarra Street GEELONG

Times: 9AM TO 3.30PM

Catering will be provided at both venues. Please note that there may be a small charge to cover the catering costs. These courses have been greatly discounted to \$110.00 per person. Book by phone or online.

- Call 03 9530 7111 to book over the phone with Premium Health Customer Service
- Or Book ONLINE at <https://premiumhealth.com.au/unitingchurch/>
- Payment to be made by credit/debit card (VISA or Mastercard)

YOUR NEWSLETTER can be delivered to your INBOX every Saturday, just email us to be included. We'd also love an additional volunteer to join Jane & Tricia on the team. It's a lovely job and easy to do. Wages & Conditions Top Notch.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS and all queries to: newslettersurfcoastuc@gmail.com

DEADLINE: Thursday at 5pm

Blessings as you start the week ahead from the Surfcoast Uniting Church :a Parish of Four Churches