



Surfcoast Uniting Churches

18th October 2020

Join in our Surf coast service, available on our website each Sunday from 9:00am

www.surfcoast.unitingchurch.org.au

Plus...Bellbrae is Live on Zoom at 11.00am, Sunday

Airey's Inlet is Live on Zoom at 1:30pm ,Sunday

Torquay Coffee Zoom at 10:00am

All welcome to all services & chat times

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From the Minister's Desk

Many of you have lost at least one of your friends these past few weeks. Good friends, faithful friends, friends who leave a gap in your life but love in your heart. Friends who have shared their love of Jesus with you and made your life better for having them in it. This week as I think of you and your loss, I thought it'd be comforting to share a poem with you from poet Helen Steiner Rice.

Isaiah's chapter 25 says *He will swallow up death forever. The sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove the disgrace of his people from all the earth. The Lord has spoken.*



Like pilgrims we wander,
until death takes our hand,
And we continue on the journey
to God's Promised Land---
A place where we'll find
no suffering or tears,
Where time is not counted in days,
month, or years---

And in that fair city
that God has prepared
Are unending joys to be happily shared
With all of our loved ones
who patiently wait
On death's other side to open the gate.

May peace, love and hope be yours in joyful as well as trying times

Rev Suzie Castle. Minister of the Word.

An invitation to all :

Aireys Inlet Uniting Church worship by Zoom - Contact Mary by email bremnerkm@gmail.com.

Bellbrae gathering by Zoom - Contact Maxine Flake-more, maxiiflake@gmail.com .

Torquay Zoom Coffee Chat - Contact Jane Skelton janeskelton2@gmail.com

We acknowledge that we meet to worship on the land of the Wadawurrung people and pay our respects to their elders past and present. Find out more at www.wadawurrung.org.au.

Lectionary Readings:

Pentecost 20: Oct 18th

Exodus 33: 12-23

Psalms 99

1 Thes 1: 1-10

Matthew 22: 15-22

Pentecost 21: Oct 25th

Deut 34: 1-12

Psalms 90: 1-6, 13-17

1 Thes 2: 1-8

Matthew 22:34-46

VALE COLIN ARTHUR

It is with sadness that Colin Arthur, a long time member of the Anglesea congregation and a great supporter of the life of the Surf Coast Parish, has recently passed away. Colin grew up and lived in Blackburn belonging to another tradition, but became a member of the Uniting Church on his retirement to Anglesea many years ago. As an accountant and a meticulous record keeper, he brought his skills to the various positions he held. In 1994 Colin became secretary of the Camp Committee which administered the Burnside Camp at Anglesea on behalf of the Presbytery. He was to remain Secretary for over 20 years and oversaw the transformation of the camp and its operation. Fittingly one of the dormitory blocks at the camp is named the Colin Arthur Wing. As well as carrying out many administrative tasks, Colin was always hands-on at working bees, not just at Anglesea but across the Parish. Colin was also for many years the Presbytery representative of the Anglesea congregation. He was a good and faithful servant. Thank you Colin.

Let us remember Joan and the family in our prayers

Remembering Doris Alexander: Further to our note last week, Jan Hale has sent through some words and photos.

"Beaut Beanies have very fond memories of Doris. She was with us for a number of years knitting lovely big rugs and many colourful beanies. After her years on an Inveleigh farm she adapted to life in her Torquay unit, then on to care at Elouera. Doris loved gardens and roses and being with family and friends. Her gentleness and courage will always be an inspiration to us."



A list of needed items for **UNITING**

- Strawberry Jam
- Tinned Vegetables (peas, corn, carrots)
- Tomato Sauce & Rice
- Cheap Cake Mixes
- Corn Flakes
- Coffee in 50 and 100gm jars



Please drop at 53 Cowrie Rd, Torquay. Many Thanks

Celebrations this week:

Congratulations to Roz & Bernie Long celebrating their 58th Wedding Anniversary this week.



Join in for a Surfcoast UC Community Catch up over coffee or tea:

Rev Suzie is going to be at Bomboras café on **Thursday 22nd and Thursday 29th October between 10am and 11.30.** There may be a change of venue for November.

Bomboras is right around the corner from Gilbert St on the Torquay Esplanade. Come when you can...



A Note from the Trading Table:

Thank you to everyone who provided food, plants, produce, craft, encouragement and your donations of time & money. The end result was just over \$1400 which will assist in providing furniture and support programs at Oak Tree Place.

As we have craft & plants to still sell, we aim to announce a date in November for another Trading Table. Watch this green space!

¹⁸But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me?" ¹⁹Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, ²⁰and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?"

²¹"Caesar's," they replied.

Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

²²When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away. MATTHEW 22:18-22

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Bellbrae: Bellbrae Uniting Church. School & Anglesea Roads, Bellbrae

Torquay: Torquay Uniting Church, 27 Anderson Street, Torquay

BELLBRAE BRIC-A-BRAC OP SHOP & BOOK ROOM : Uniting Church Hall, School Road, Bellbrae. Ph: 5261 5139

NOTE: our churches are currently closed for worship as per COVID 19 restrictions

Weekly offerings can be made via direct debit or credit to the congregation account :

BSB: 083-929 and Account Number 93-009-8403 Please add notes in the deposit area to identify your congregation:

Aireys Inlet:3231AI, Bellbrae:3228BB or Torquay:3228TQ

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