



Surfcoast Uniting Churches

14th February 2021

Welcome to the Surf Coast Uniting Church newsletter.

Lots of information from Lectionary readings, preaching plan plus lots of the news from our three congregations on the Surfcoast.

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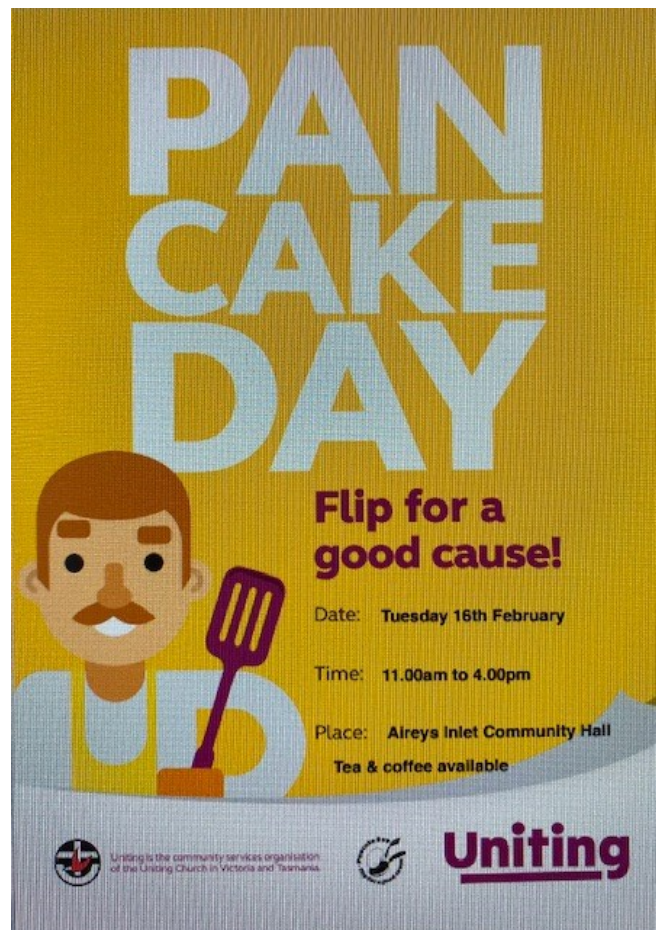
We acknowledge that we meet to worship on the land of the Wadawurrung people and pay our respects to their elders past and present, and emerging. Find out more at www.wadawurrung.org.au.

Thoughts for the First Week of Lent.

Poverty.

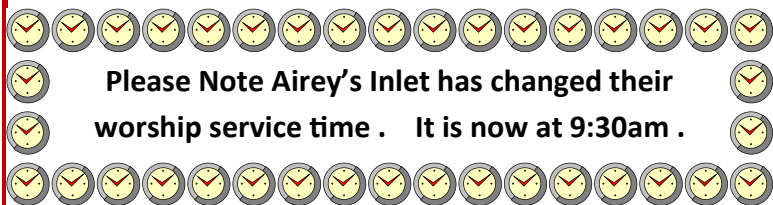
There are millions of people, throughout the world, who suffer from extreme poverty, no food to eat, no wood for the fire, few clothes to keep warm, and no money for home repairs. Whilst there are many organisations in Australia who do their best to help those in need, charities, churches, neighbours and friends, there are many people who are too proud to ask for help, and struggle on, trying to survive, trying to be independent.

Trying to help these people is often very difficult, as often few people know that they even exist, and are often only "discovered", when it is too late! If we know or even suspect, of any such people, then we must do our utmost to help them, talk to them, find out what we can do for them, advise them of services available, and how to access them. Show them you care!



**Remember this Tuesday is Pancake Day ,
February 16th.**

Come and enjoy the delicious pancakes made
with love by the **Aireys congregation** at
Aireys Inlet Community Hall



**Please Note Airey's Inlet has changed their
worship service time . It is now at 9:30am .**

Worship services on the Surf Coast.

Sunday 14th February:	Sunday 21st February: Lent 1
Transfiguration of Jesus	Aireys 9:30am : Rev Suzie Castle
Aireys 9:30am : Rev Kenneth Ralph	Bellbrae 11:00am : Rev Suzie Castle
Bellbrae 11:00am : Rev Kenneth Ralph	Torquay 9:30am : Video service
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Lectionary Readings

Feb 14th:	Feb 21st:
2 Kings 2:1-12	Gn 9: 8-17
Ps 50: 1-6	Ps 25: 1-10
2 Cor 4: 3-6	1 Pt 31: 18-22
Mk 9:2-9	Mk 1 (-15

Bellbrae News

Wednesday 17th February:

The Surf Coast Ash Wednesday Service will be held at Bellbrae UC at 11:00am. All welcome

Bellbrae's AGM for election of office bearers will be held on Sunday February 21st, following worship.

The Bellbrae Congregation and their Musical Band will be attending the Opening Service of Oak Tree Place on Sunday February 28th: There will not be a service at Bellbrae that Sunday. A Joyful opportunity to worship together.

Happy Birthday celebrations at Bomboras café for **Bev Hooper** who celebrated her birthday on Wednesday.



The Prayer Shawl Knitters

will commence meeting for 2021 at the Anglesea Uniting Church on Tuesday February 16 from 2 to 4pm. All are welcome to come to yarn and yarn. Knitting yarn and talking yarn topic provided – 'Turning judgement into curiosity'.

Marilyn Wendt 0427750369

February Trading Table

We are planning a Summer Trading Table for

Saturday 6th March on the Torquay Church lawns from 10am to 12.30pm.

All proceeds to our Surfcoast Churches outreach and service programs.

Your contributions of the following will be gratefully received:

CAKES all sizes shapes and flavours, Biscuits, Slices, Scones, Sausage Rolls, Produce from your garden. NB: all food must have content labels please.

No additional plants or craft this time, unless by prior arrangement.

Contact Tricia on 0419 340056 or patriciamgenat@gmail.com for any queries at all.

Time for prayer and reflection @ Torquay UC, Tuesdays @ 10:00 am

Come along for some Deep Stillness.



The Bomboras Coffee Ministry

will start up again on the last Thursday of each month, 10:00-11:30am, Bomboras café on the Esplanade.

All welcome

Regular Surf Coast Church Activities

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Dineout: Feb 15th 3rd Monday of month 12:00 noon@ The Beach Hotel, Jan Juc All welcome . Call Jean on 0409969392</p>	<p>Time for Prayer. Tuesdays 10:00am Torquay</p> <p>Prayer Shawl Knitters; Feb 16th 2:00-4:00pm ..weekly in Anglesea church See notice -----</p> <p>Beaut Beanies: Feb 2nd 10:30am in Torquay Church Foyer weekly</p>		<p>Bomboras Coffee Ministry 10:00am.. Café on esplanade. Torquay.</p>	<p>Coffee & Kids@ Feb 12th 9:30-11:00am In Oak Tree Place</p>
				SATURDAY
<p>PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN ALL YOUR GROUPS START AGAIN</p>			<p>Worship at Elouera ,1st Thursday of Month , at 2:15pm</p>	<p>Op Shop at Bellbrae from 10:00-4:00pm</p>

OAK TREE PLACE OPENING

- ◆ Anyone wishing to contribute to food for the **Oak Tree Place Opening** please contact Sylvia Peck.
- ◆ People are required to help set up the hall for the morning tea / opening. Please see Sylvia Peck for this too..
- ◆ Please remember to RSVP ,as soon as possible , to oaktreplacerentals@gmail.com , or call Jane, Tricia or Robyn, so we can have an idea of numbers for seating and refreshment needs.
- ◆ A great day to Celebrate together.



Who am I ?? See if you can guess who this is by the clues given... The answer is revealed next

Last Week: Who am I ? I was born in Camperdown Vic.

I have been at Torquay Uniting about 5 years.

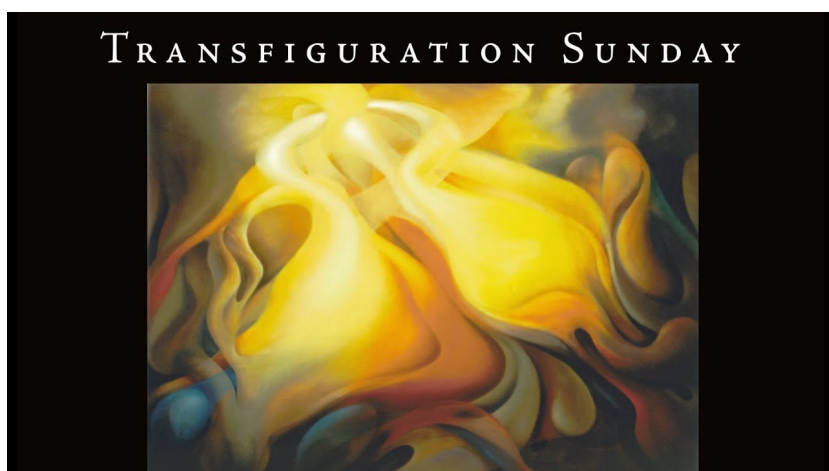
I was the first person to shoot a perfect score at the Birregurra Rifle range. This was an interclub event between Beeac and Birregurra. I used a 303 rifle and the event was over 300, 500 and 600 yards.

I am Peter Hirth.

Who am I ? I was born in Rustington UK. I have been at Torquay for about 14 years. I am English

Who am I ? I was born in Frankston . I have attended Torquay about 2 years

I have lived with my family in the USA, as well as Brussels for 3 years before going back to the USA and finally coming home to Australia.



Prayer points:

For the continuing struggle for those with COVID 19, and all the difficulties it presents to life.

For those who have lost loved ones and are feeling the pain and loneliness.

For our world where so many struggle to find food, water and shelter.



May your light and peace surround us all.

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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

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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