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(NOTE: Rev. Suzie is on Long Service Leave from 28th Feb to 8th May 2022)

**Aireys Inlet 9.30am, Bellbrae 11am, Torquay 9.30am.**

**Past services can be found online at this website: [www.surfcoast.unitingchurch.org.au](http://www.surfcoast.unitingchurch.org.au)**



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

## **For action:**

*Dear Friends on the Surfcoast,*

The media recently devoted a lot of space to the situation of tennis star, Novak Djokovic, and the indignity he suffered when detained in Melbourne's Park Hotel. This 3-minute film highlights the plight of the Park Hotel's other detainees.



In the film, religious leaders across Australia call for the release of refugees illegally detained in Melbourne's Park Hotel and Maygar Barracks. Spoken by Tim Costello on behalf of the Anglican Bishop Philip Huggins, Imam Alaa Elzokm, Rabbi Shamir Caplan and Harold Zwier, and more than 30 other Christian, Muslim, Jewish, Hindu and Sikh leaders. Directed by Richard Keddie.

Watch "Set Them Free" on Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/670613344?ref=em-share>

If you feel incensed after watching this and would like to act, the Aireys Inlet Rural Australians for Refugees can help you out.

For more information and to join our mailing list contact Mary Bremner -

Email [aireysinletrar@gmail.com](mailto:aireysinletrar@gmail.com) or phone Mary on 0427701275.

*Best regards*

*Mary*

## **For reflection:**

**Psalms 7: A shiggaion of David, which he sang to the LORD concerning Cush, a Benjamite.**

<sup>1</sup> LORD my God, I take refuge in you;  
save and deliver me from all who pursue me,  
<sup>2</sup> or they will tear me apart like a lion  
and rip me to pieces with no one to rescue me.

<sup>3</sup> LORD my God, if I have done this  
and there is guilt on my hands—  
<sup>4</sup> if I have repaid my ally with evil  
or without cause have robbed my foe—  
<sup>5</sup> then let my enemy pursue and overtake me;  
let him trample my life to the ground  
and make me sleep in the dust.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>6</sup> Arise, LORD, in your anger;  
rise up against the rage of my enemies.  
Awake, my God; decree justice.





## Summer is worshipping together at the Surfcoast Uniting Churches

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**Aireys Inlet :** Aireys Inlet Uniting Church will resume in-person Worship services this coming Sunday, Feb. 6th. Rev. Suzie Castle will be leading Worship with a Communion service at **9:30 AM**. All welcome

**Bellbrae: 11am: Rev Suzie Castle**

**Torquay at 9.30am (In Oak Tree Place)**

**Brian & Thelma Shaw**

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### LOCAL NEWS & DIARY DATES:

# Airey's "Lunch @the Pub" begins on **Friday 4th Feb** - please contact Mary or Keith Bremner to book a place at the table

# Torquay Dine Out starts again on **Monday 14th Feb**. More details to come.

# FLIP for a GOOD cause. Plan ahead to support and enjoy **Pancake Day at Airey's Inlet** on **Tuesday 1st March**.



# **WORLD DAY of PRAYER** is at St Luke's Anglican Church this year. Friday 4th March at 1.00pm.

The theme is God's promise to his people in exile in Babylon, found in Jeremiah 29:11.

**'For I know the plans I have for you', declares the LORD**

*'Plans to prosper you and not harm you, Plans to give you hope and a future.'*

Artist: Angie Fox using metalwork, embroidery & applique.



#**Summer Book Club: NEW DATE: February 15th** 2.30pm at Oak Tree Place. Topic is 'Africa'. Books about Africa, and/or written by African authors. Gold coin entry. All welcome. Coffee & cake too.

# For our golfers and a lovely day of local sport get along to the Vic Open at 13th Beach. Free entry allows you to walk or watch as men & women compete for the same prize pool. A trend setter amongst international golf. Thursday 10 to Sunday 13 Feb. [www.golf.org.au/vicopen](http://www.golf.org.au/vicopen).

### Lectionary Readings

**February 13: EPIPHANY 6**

Jeremiah 1: 4-10  
Psalm 7:1-6  
1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
Luke 4: 21-30

**February 20: EPIPHANY 7**

Genesis 45: 3-11, 15  
Psalm 37: 1-11, 39-40  
1 Corinthians 15: 35-38, 42-50  
Luke 6: 27-30



**Our Bellbrae Opshop & Book Shop is OPEN on Friday 4th Feb.**

**FRIDAY 4th: Cheryl P, Geoff, Doreen**

**SAT 5th AM : Bev, Karleen, Carleen**

**PM: Tricia, Marg, Anna**



**The Opshop would love additions to the weekly roster. Full training. 3 hour shifts. Great pay! Please email Helen on [helen.c.g@bigpond.com](mailto:helen.c.g@bigpond.com)**



The Piano and Organ at Torquay are no longer needed and will be sold or given away this month. We have contacted local aged care facilities, but no-one seems to want them. Please email the newsletter, or call Jane or Tricia if you have any further suggestions. Thanks.



*Notes from our people:* Thank you from Rev Suzie & her family to everyone who supported her with prayer, icy poles and deliveries as needed. She is mending slowly and steadily.

Happy Birthday to Ted Duval for his 80th!



### Weekly offerings can be made via direct debit or credit to:

BSB: 083-929 and Account Number 93-009-8403

Account Name: **Surfcoast Uniting Church**

Please identify your congregation in the notes area:

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

**Airey's Inlet** St Aidan's Church, 29 Great Ocean Road, Airey's Inlet.

**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, Bellbrae Friday & Saturday

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