

Surfcoast Uniting Churches

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*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.*

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www.wadawurrung.org.au.*

Throughout September we look forward to celebrating the **Season of Creation**. Every year, Christians around the world, from across many denominations, commit to the month of September (Sept - 4 Oct) as a season to all share and celebrate God's beautiful Earth. This year's theme is '[Listen to the Voice of Creation](#)'.

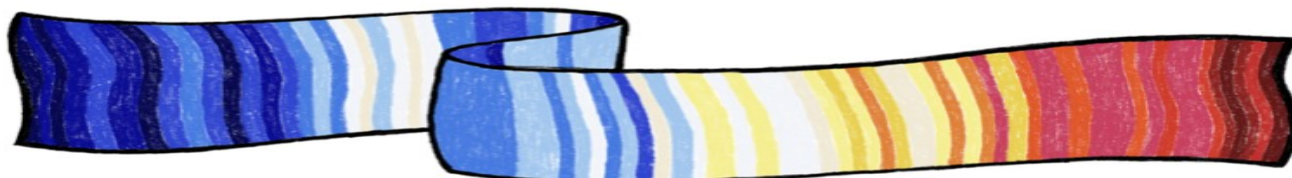


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This year, the Uniting Church Assembly will share resources to highlight First Peoples perspectives, following the 16th Assembly resolution to take seriously the voices and wisdom of First Peoples on climate justice and creation care. Beginning 31 August, keep an eye out for weekly reflections from First Nations leaders and the Assembly Circles of Interest.

At Common Grace, this [Season of Creation](#) we're inviting knitters to celebrate by considering gifting a #KnitForClimateAction scarf to your local church minister or community leader, asking them to #WearTheScarf to help spark conversations and urgent action for climate change. If you need local inspiration, just ask or email Robin Purdey from Torquay.

https://www.commongrace.org.au/knit_for_climate_action.



From the scriptures this week: Luke asks the question

"Where is the Lord in this place, in our situation?"

¹² Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbours; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." Luke 14: 12-14 New International Version

Lectionary Readings

Aug. 28: Pentecost 12

Jeremiah 2: 4-13

Psalms 81:1, 10-16

Hebrews 13: 1-8, 13-16

Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Sep. 4 : Pentecost 13

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Psalms 81:1, 10-16

Philemon 1: 21

Luke 14:25-33

Sunday 28th August (Rev Tevita's last day with us)

Aireys' Inlet at 9.30am & Bellbrae at 11am

Torquay at 9.30am : Rev Tevita & a special MT after the service

Thursday 1st September at 2pm Elouera Service

Sunday 4th September

Aireys Inlet at 9.30am & Bellbrae at 11am Holy Communion with Rev Bob Thomas
Torquay at 9.30am

LOCAL NEWS & DIARY DATES:

Dates to note...

Sunday 28th August: This will be Rev. Tevita's last services on the Surfcoast and we say Thank you very much. There will be a special Morning Tea at Torquay to farewell and thank Tevita.



We welcome you and your morning tea plates.

Thursday 1st September is National Wattle Day

Friday 2nd September: Aireys Inlet meets for lunch at the pub at noon—everyone is welcome.

Sunday 4th September: We welcome Rev Bob Thomas who will join us as Supply Minister, starting with the Sunday 4th September service at Airey's Inlet and Bellbrae

Saturday September 24th: Torquay Bunnings BBQ (also happens to be AFL Grand Final Day!)

The **Camino Walk** planned for Airey's Inlet has a new date: **Thursday 20th November at 12 noon**. More information will be shared next month. Add it to your diary!

Note: For the months of August and September **Dine-out** is on holiday- but will recommence on **Monday 3rd October**.

Sunday 30th October at 2:30 pm : A special musical event at Airey's Inlet Community Hall involving our friends at Airey's and Anglesea congregations. Your support is encouraged.

Victoria Welsh Choir in Concert :The Victoria Welsh Choir is renowned for their humour, sense of fun, and their rich singing in spine-tingling four-part harmony. Contact Margo Davey 0412 742 117 for Tickets on sale now at \$30 pp

Proceeds to Red Cross International Disaster Relief Fund



Happy Birthday to Olive Mawson who turned 101 this past week and enjoyed balloons and a banner at her home on the Esplanade.

And speaking of birthdays.....time for a joke: from the Motley Fool website via our own

Marg Manley...

GODS PLAN FOR AGING

Most seniors never get enough exercise....SO

In His wisdom,

God decreed that seniors become forgetful so they would have to search for their glasses,

keys and other things thus doing more walking. And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God saw there was another need.

In His wisdom, He made seniors lose coordination so they would drop things requiring them to bend, reach & stretch.

And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God considered the function of bladders and decided seniors would have additional calls of nature requiring more trips to the bathroom, thus providing more exercise.

God looked down and saw that it was good.

So - if you find as you age that you are getting up and down more, remember it's God's will.

It is all in your best interest even though you mutter under your breath.



LAST MINUTE NEWS: We have had to close the Opshop & Book shop at Bellbrae for Friday 26th September due to illness, holidays

Thank you to all those who are honouring their financial pledges to our Surfcoast Congregations each week. Your contribution is valued and keeps us open. For Bank deposits- Acc: **Surfcoast Uniting Church** NAB BSB: 083-929 and Account Number 93-009-8403 Use notes AIREYS: AI3231 BELLBRAE:BB3228 TORQUAY: TQ3228

Airey's Inlet St Aidan's Church, 29 Great Ocean Rd, Airey's Inlet.
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 OPEN Friday & Saturday 10am to 4pm.

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