

# Surfcoast Uniting Churches January Newsletter

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Sunday 1st January 2023

*We acknowledge that we meet and 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](http://www.wadawurrung.org.au).

NB: Newsletter deadline 4pm Thursday.

Email: [newslettersurfcoastuc@gmail.com](mailto:newslettersurfcoastuc@gmail.com).

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL AND A BIG WELCOME TO 2023

## Thank you

THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF THE

## CHRISTMAS BOWL



At a time when Christian kindness is needed more than ever, your support will help Act for Peace's local partners provide practical care to uprooted people in urgent need around the world. In a world that often feels divided, you've come together with churches across Australia to stand alongside those uprooted by conflict and disaster. Thank you for standing with Act for Peace's local partners to bring practical care – as well as hope, peace, joy, love, and light – to people in urgent need around the world. Your generosity is giving hope back to exiled families from Ukraine, like Eugene's, through emergency care and assistance



**Conversation & Games Night**

**New Year's Eve**

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

**At Oak Tree Place**

**From 7.30pm**

**Stay as long as you like, leave when you're ready**

**BYO games, drinks and supper plate to share**



## THE LORD'S PRAYER (A modern transliteration)

O Birther! Father-Mother of the Cosmos, focus your light within us - make it useful:

Create your reign of unity now.

Your one desire then acts with ours, as in all light, so in all forms.

Grant what we need each day in bread and insight.

Loose the cords of mistakes binding us, as we release the strands we hold of others' guilt.

Don't let surface things delude us, but free us from what holds us back.

From you is born all ruling will, the power and the life to do,

the song that beautifies all, from age to age it renews.

Truly - power to these statements - may they be the ground from which all my actions grow: Amen.

**Sunday January 29th. There will be a Combined Service of all Surfcoast churches at Torquay at 9:30am.** Rev Linley Liersch will be leading this service. It will be followed by a Congregational meeting led by Linley to share the Mission study findings before we move onto the JNC process. A lunch will follow. Please bring finger food to share.

Thanks to all who are honoring their financial pledges and those who give what they are able, so we may continue to worship and serve our communities. Gifts are valued in electronic or paper format.

Surfcoast Uniting Church.

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OUR CHURCHES  
ON THE SURFCOAST

**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, School Road. Bellbrae

REOPENS Friday 6th January & Saturday 7th: 10am to 4pm.