

Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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Sunday 7th May 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.

Lectionary readings May 7th: **Easter 5**

Acts 7:55-60 Ps 31:1-5, 15-16 1 Pt 2:2-10 Jn 14:1-14

As you can see from the photos, our **Combined service at Aireys Inlet last Sunday**, was well attended with many from every congregation joining in an inspiring service led by Rev Deacon Mat Harry.

A big thanks to our hosts for organising this service, for the delicious morning tea many contributed to and the lovely sunny day, and to Mat of course.

Remember we are all influencers!



We pray For our community, for the spirit that called us together and drew us to this place; for moments we have shared with others; for times when we have reached out across barriers of distance and fear; for times when others have reached out to us: For our weaving together out of many separate selves the times of celebration and reflection: **We give thanks for this day and everyday.**



Torquay will be hosting **"The Biggest Morning Tea"** on the last two Sundays of May – 21st & 28th.

Enjoy the delicious morning tea provided and donate to this great cause.

You can also donate online at

<https://www.biggestmorningtea.com.au/s/60594/84138>



You're invited to join other faithful supporters like you from around the world on **Wednesday 10 May** for a dedicated day of prayer **for people affected by leprosy**. You are invited to join us for a special Global Day of Prayer virtual plenary session where prayer partners, Leprosy Mission staff and people affected by leprosy around the world will come together online to pray for a world without leprosy. Please join us for this special time to bless and be blessed! **Global Day of Prayer Wednesday 10 May at 2pm AEST**

The link to join this Zoom Meeting is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87133410990?pwd=eDBJSmtLaTlXWTN4TUMzanBWQjM2Zz09>

Sunday May 7th

Aireys Inlet 9:30am Rev Bob Thomas ..HC
Bellbrae 11:00 am Rev Bob Thomas ..HC
Torquay 9:30am Video of Rev Bob

Sunday May 14th

Aireys Inlet 9:30 Rev Bob Thomas Video with
Bellbrae 11:00 worship team
Torquay 9:30am Rev Bob Thomas ... HC.

NOTE: All our video sermons are available on the Surf-coast website: www.surfcoast.unitingchurch.org.au

Surfcoast Uniting Events:

Thursdays at 5pm at Torquay: Choir practice .All welcome to come and join in the singing.

Thursday Coffee Morning at Bomboras 10:30am.

Coffee and Kids at Torquay 9:30-11:00 am @ Oak Tree Place

Aireys Lunch at Pub. Friday May 5th @ 12 noon. All very welcome. POP it in the diary now.

JNC.. Joint Nominating Committee Update.

On Tuesday this week our group of reps presented our Profile to the Presbytery Relations Committee. Each congregation rep had the opportunity to share something of their hopes for our new ministry and then answered a few questions. So now we wait for names of possible ministers to be presented to us. Please keep this process in your prayers.

Giving Hope on the Coast – Aireys Inlet **Uniting Outreach**

The fundraising for this very special cause continues. We have set a target of \$30,000 and are well on the way to achieving this. If you would like to make a personal contribution to our fundraising, the details for a bank transfer are as follows:

Account name: Surf Coast Uniting Church

BSB: 083-929

Account: 20-987-6337

Please use the reference CRISP and add some identifying information.

Many thanks to all .

UNITING are in need of Full cream long life milk, Spreads, jams, Cereals, Canned soups and canned veggies.

Please give as you are able.

SURFSIDE SINGERS present **AUTUMN MELODIES** Songs to warm the heart



Robyn, June and Jane all below to this singing group, who are kindly donating any profit from this concert to the church.

Another example of generosity from our Community outreach.

Come along a enjoy some great singing.



Red Cross Aireys Inlet / Anglesea Branch

Fund raising Concert- "The Hanley Sisters" Musical Memories

Date: Sunday 2 July 2023

Venue: Aireys Inlet Community Hall

Doors open: 2.00pm - Champagne Bar

Concert :2.30 pm start – 3.30 pm

followed by Afternoon Tea and Raffle

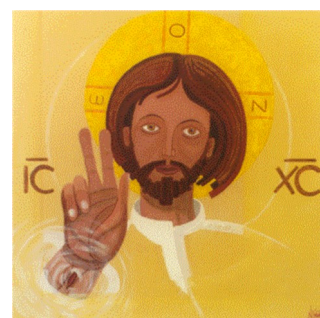
Tickets: \$40.00 per head includes glass of champagne on arrival, concert, afternoon tea and your donation to the current Red Cross Disaster Relief Appeal.

To-purchase tickets in advance,

Contact Margo: Mobile 0412 742 117

Contact Chris: Mobile 0408 444 199

Contact Trish: Mobile 0413 321 839



Torquay will meet via Zoom on May 8th to present their case for **Simpson Grant** funding to pay for the remaining cost of the Solar Panels that are about to be installed on Oak Tree Place. Again a Big Thankyou to the Bridge club for their general donation. Let the sun shine!!



NB: Newsletter deadline 4pm Thursday. Email: newslettersurfcoastuc@gmail.com. ALL news welcome

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 SURF-
COAST

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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
Open Fridays and Saturdays 10am to 4pm.