

Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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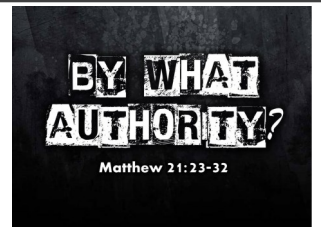
Daylight Saving ends
Sunday 1st Oct.
Clocks go **FORWARD**.

Sunday 1st October 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 : Pent 18 : Ex 17:1-7 Ps 78:1-4, 12-16 Phil 2:1-13 Mt 21:23-32

Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him



The Coffee Cup Challenge.

From Oct 1st—Feb 13th Uniting are running a coffee challenge.

Put aside the cost of a coffee each week, to help people in crisis in your community.

We will register as a group, **Surf Coast Uniting Churches**, so you can add to that by scanning the bar code below (I hope) or bring along your coins to place in a coffee cup at church each Sunday. Speak to Jane Skelton if you have questions.



A small sacrifice can make a big difference.

Put aside the cost of a coffee each week from 1 October 2023 until Shrove Tuesday, 13 February 2024, to help people in crisis in your community.

Register with your challenge coordinator:

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Learn more
1800 668 426
unitingvictas.org.au/coffee-cup-challenge



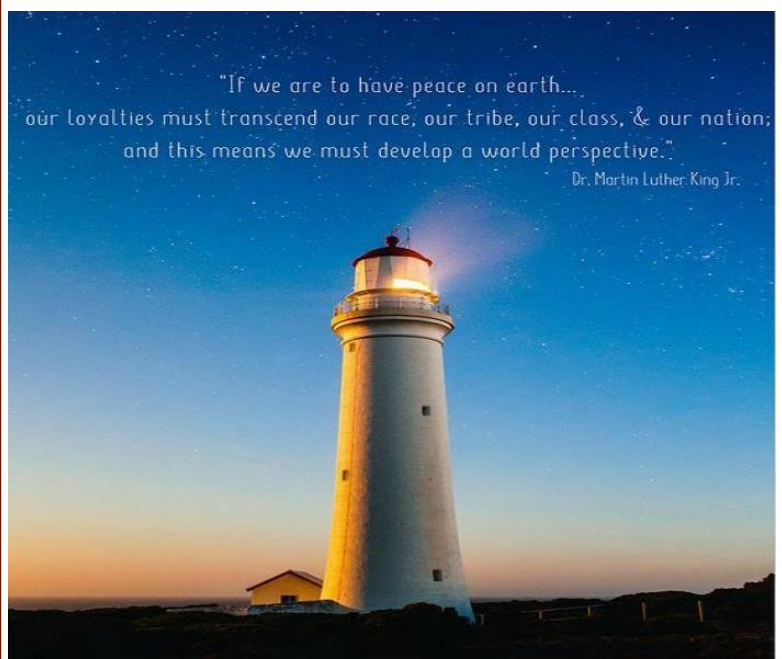
Uniting is the community services organisation of the Uniting Church in Victoria and Tasmania.



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Prayers for others:

- ◆ Rev Bob is having surgery again and our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family.
Holy Communion for Torquay will take place on Oct 25th instead.
- ◆ We remember Marie Harding, who's sister is extremely ill and not expected to live much longer. A sad time for all their family.
- ◆ We pray for Michelle and Ross, Tricia and Geoff's son and daughter-in-law who are expecting their first child this coming Wednesday.. May all go well for this new life.
- ◆ We pray for The Referendum, may eyes be opened and "we whisper into the wind of time that 'No gets us nowhere and YES makes it possible' Taken from a speech by Noel Pearson.



Deadline for items for our newsletter to be sent to newslettersurfcoastuc@gmail.com by 4pm on Thursday of each week

Sunday 1st October

Torquay 9.30am - Robert Packett
Aireys Inlet 9.30am & Bellbrae 11am
With Rev Bob Thomas and Communion

Check out our web page for all
the sermons and diary updates.

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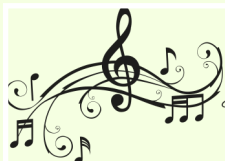
Sunday 8th October

Torquay 9.30am—Worship team
Bellbrae 11am - Worship team
Aireys Inlet 9.30am – Worship Team

What's Happening where we live?

Community Dates and Events:

- October is Positive Ageing Month on the Surf Coast.
- Thursday 12th October at St Luke's Anglican in Pride Street. Tom Healy Pipe Organ Recital at 12.30pm to 1pm. Free to attend and enjoy.
- Sunday 15th October: At Aireys Inlet Community Hall at 2.30pm the **Victorian Welsh Choir in Concert**. Proceeds to Red Cross. Tickets: \$35. to reserve call Margo on 0412 742 117 or Christine 0408 444 199. Or Pay at the door.
- Sunday 22nd October at **St Luke's**. Surf Coast String orchestra plays Vivaldi and Mozart, Puccini and Joplin. Adults \$20 Concession \$15. Children Free.
- Saturday 28th October**—our Airey's Refugee family arrives to settle into Australia. Pray for their safe travel and for all the arrangements to fall into place and for the welcoming committee to be supported.



Special Note: Torquay Community House has distributed the Term 4 timetable with lots of activities from Acting classes, Italian for beginners, Yoga and art. One particular art class has Colin Peel as Tutor—Watercolour and Drawing on Wednesday evenings. Phone the Community House at Price Street, Torquay on 5261 2583 from 10 to 4 on weekdays for more information.

Christmas is coming...

Uniting have Cards, as well as their annual request for additional items for the summer and holiday season.

Check your Uniting Newsletter for details.

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In our Uniting neighbourhood:



Regular weekly activities include:

Coffee on Thursdays at 10.30am

BOMBORAS on the Torquay Esplanade.

Beaut Beanies—10:30am Tuesdays in Torquay church

Coffee & Kids—9.30am every Friday during Term.

Bellbrae Opshop & Bookroom open every Friday & Saturday from 10 to 4pm.

Regular Monthly activities include:

Pub Lunch at Aireys—Noon, first Friday of the month

Aged Care Service 2pm at Elouera, - First Thursday

ALL activities are for Everyone. Turn up and Enjoy!

WORKING BEE'S and MORE

As a response to Spring & our Season of Creation, Working Bees are planned for Torquay and Bellbrae church properties. BYO gloves & MT.

- Torquay's will be some time in November, once all the Painting is complete.

Other things happening include :

- A Garden party for someone else turning 70 in early Nov!!!
- Dec 7th... A Bunnings Christmas Trading table.
- And Torquay have agreed to take over the fashion show that has happened annually at St Lukes... More on that another time.

The Uniting Church Armstrong Creek Reference Group

is hosting a trivia night on **Nov 4th** at **St Luke's Uniting Church Highton**. 6.30 for 7pm start.

Let's gather a team and go and enjoy the fun of joining together in a fundraiser for the work at Armstrong Creek.. The night is open for anyone to attend.

It is \$70 per table or \$10 per person with a max of 7 people per table. Each table can bring their own snacks, drinks and cups to enjoy on the night.

Please let Jane Skelton know if you are interested in going. Ph:0400190580

Airey's Inlet St Aidan's Church, 29 Great Ocean Rd, Airey's *Sunday Service at 9.30am*
Bellbrae: Uniting Church. School & Anglesea Roads, Bellbrae *Sunday Service at 11.00am*
Torquay: Torquay Uniting Church, 27 Anderson Street, Torquay *Sunday Service at 9.30am*

BELLBRAE BRIC-A-BRAC OP SHOP & BOOK ROOM : Uniting Church Hall, School Road. Bellbrae
Open Fridays and Saturdays 10am to 4pm.

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