

Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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Sunday 28th January 2024

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 : EPIPHANY 4: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20, Psalm 111, 1 Corinthians 8: 1-13, Mark 1: 29-39

Sunday 28th January 2024

Torquay 9.30am: Communion TBC
Bellbrae: 11am: Communion TBC
Aireys Inlet 9.30am Worship Team

Sunday 4th February 2024

Torquay 9.30am: Worship Team
Bellbrae 11am
Aireys Inlet 9.30am : Communion TBC

Special Invite:

2.00pm Sunday 4th February at Ocean Grove Uniting—join us to celebrate the Ordination and Induction of Kyle Moffat & Annie Brophy.

Psalm 148—A Surf Coast Version

Praise the Lord, gateway to the Ocean
Yellow bluff and wind –whispering pines
Praise the Lord, breakingswell, surging sea
Summer sun aflame and silver moon mirrored
Praise the Lord, our home embraced by heathland
Curving, weaving roadside and singing, double rainbows
Praise the Lord, roaring surf and rhythmic wave
Glorious autumn colours, spider orchids peeping
And moonlit evening stairway
Praise the Lord, town shadowed by the Otways
Lighthouse beams protecting, creeks tucked in gullies
Praise the Lord, waterfalls tumbling,
Estuaries misting and constellations shining
Let all creation praise the Lord
Rejoice in the Lord, you choir of birds awaking
Mobs of kangaroo and salty dogs, dune dancing
Rejoice in the Lord, you wagtails twitching
Eagles soaring and seagulls stealing
Rejoice in the Lord, age old fossils hidden,
Tiny rock pool creatures and leviathan plunging deep

Rejoice in the Lord, you galahs in our morning
Fairway kangaroos and veggie garden frogmouth

Rejoice in the Lord, you koalas snoozing,
Dolphins surfing and herons stalking

Rejoice in the Lord, you humpback heaving, goshawk hunting
Bristle birds scrounging and Antechinus darting
Let every creature praise the Lord

Remember the Lord, you surfers and artists,
Coastal dwellers and pram –strolling families
Remember the Lord you op-shop hunters.

Football watchers and baristas serving
Remember the Lord, you children next door playing,
wee-small hours revellers, coastal walkers seeking

Remember the Lord, holiday haven travellers
Caring local people , and hospitality toilers
Remember the Lord, carers for Country, tidal walkers,
Fisher-people, storm front gazers and bushland lovers

Remember the Lord you quiet seekers, road trip drivers
Landscape painters and market minglers
Let all people praise the Lord.

By Rev Sharon Valentine & the Surfcoast Anglican Parish

Notes from our Congregations:

Robyn Harper & Torquay invites you to assist with singing & fellowship at Elouera Aged Care Service on Thursday 1st February at 2.15pm

Bellbrae members invite you to share an **Ash Wednesday** Service on 14th February at 10am.

Thank you to
Aireys Inlet for
organising an-
other lovely
Camino Walk
on Sunday
21st. Over 30
walkers, talked,
reflected and
enjoyed every
minute.



Regular Weekly activities include:

Thursdays at 10.30am Coffee at BOMBORAS on the Torquay Esplanade.
Beaut Beanies—10:30am Tuesdays in Torquay church foyer
Coffee & Kids—9.30am every Friday during Term. @ Oak Tree Place (Starts again on Friday 9th. February).
Bellbrae Opshop & Book room open every Friday & Saturday from 10 to 4pm. We would love extra volunteers if you have 3 hours a month to spare.

Regular Monthly activities include:

Pub Lunch at Aireys—Noon, first Friday of the month
Aged Care Service 2pm at Elouera, - First Thursday

Dates for your Diary in the coming months:

* Study with Matt Harry: at Aireys from Feb 8th at 10.30am
* **Pancake Day** at Aireys Community Hall: Feb 13th. From 10am.
* COFFEE Challenge for Uniting concludes next week so bring in your collection boxes soon.
* Rev Bob sends his warm thanks for your thoughts & prayer as he works to get his body ready for additional treatment in February.



WELCOME to 2024! This is the year that the Lord has made— we will rejoice and be glad in it, and work and pray and sing in it, for the health and safety for all.

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.

Your Offering for all our churches, programs and outreach is welcome.

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