

Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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Sunday 12th October 2025

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 this week: Pentecost 18: Jer 29:1, 4-7 Ps 66:1-12 2 Tim 2:8-15 Lk 17:11-19

Last Sunday , Bellbrae celebrated the baptism of Marcus and Zebadiah Ackland by Rev Tina with assistance from Maxine. This was a celebration of joy for parents David and Kamo Ackland and the whole congregation.

“Baptism is Christ’s gift. It is the sign by which the Spirit of God joins people to Jesus Christ and incorporates them into his body, the Church,” said Reverend Tina. “In his own baptism in the Jordan by John, Jesus identified himself with humanity in its brokenness and sin, that baptism was completed in his death and resurrection...by water and the Spirit we are claimed as God’s own and set free from the power of sin and death. “

Afterwards a very delicious morning tea/lunch was enjoyed by the whole congregation of 20 people and our 3 resident dogs.



**A HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO DEAR
CARLEEN...**



80 YEARS YOUNG!!!!

TORQUAY’S SUNDAY SERVICE... Oct 12th

Sunday's Communion service at Torquay will include an introduction about how our values affect our relationships during the Young at Heart. The service will be followed by a fun visioning session over morning tea. Please come along to this special morning tea and support this initiative.

For all those who brought along craft to the service last month my apologies for not inviting you to bring them forward and talk about them. Please bring along something on Sunday that you've made which you'd like to give thanks to God for and you're welcome to say something about it, if you want.

I'll be inviting us all to give thanks to God for our favourite gift during the prayers at the beginning of the service.

Rev Tina

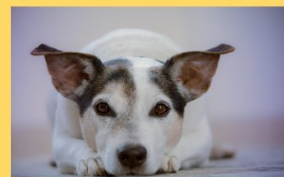
A PODCAST called UNTANGLED. Rev Joan Wright Howie, is a UC minister, spiritual director and professional supervisor. Joan and a friend Damian, have a podcast that is available. It's a conversation between Joan and Damian, who's never read the bible before. ("I have listened to some and found it interesting. "Jane)

You can listen on Spotify and other platforms... entitled Untangled.

<https://open.spotify.com/show/58Zc5N0VbMbWWr6GqFbFrG?si=14a07910c8cd42bc>

BELLBRAE COMMUNITY UNITING CHURCH

Celebrates St Francis of Assisi and invites **YOU** to a



Blessing of the pet's

conducted by Reverend Tina Lyndon-Ng

On Sunday 19th October 2025

11am-12pm

followed by a sausage sizzle in the garden of

Toombi Guyon

At 5 School Rd Bellbrae

COME AND BRING YOUR LOVED ONES

You are invited to be part of a "get rid of oxalis" working bee at "Toombi Guyong" at Bellbrae church, on Thursday 16th October at 10-12, to neaten up, ready to celebrate pets blessing on the 19th October. BYO tools/gloves/barrows etc.

Worship on the Surfcoast

Sunday 12th October

- Aireys at 9.30am Nathan Nettleton
- Bellbrae at 11am Rev Ann Key
- Torquay at 9.30am Communion Rev Tina

Sunday 19th October

- Aireys at 9:30am Rev Tina
- Bellbrae at 11:00am Rev Tina
- Torquay Frontier services led by Robyn

**Combined Service 26th October at Aireys Inlet
with Mat Harry at 9:30am**



**Only 12 weeks to Christmas—be planned early with
your UNITING Christmas Cards.**

**You can view and order the cards on the back of
your Crosslight or order from Robyn Harper on
0407829926 . Deadline 14 Oct.**

With some sadness **Moriac Uniting Church** is closing its doors, with the few remaining members joining the congregation at Barrabool Hills UC.

You are cordially invited to attend the closing Service of the Moriac Uniting Church, (Hendy Main Rd., Moriac, next to the school) On the 16th November, 2025, at 2.30 pm. Followed by afternoon tea.

Rsvp 9/11/25

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Regular Surfcoast Uniting Events

- **Tuesdays at 10.30am.** Beaut Beanies meet at Torquay to knit and-crochet, socialise and plan their donations.
- **Thursdays at 10.30am**—Coffee at Bombora's on the Esplanade. Everyone welcome, come and go as you please, pay your own way. Need a ride? Call Tricia or Jane.
- **Thursday at 2.15pm**—once a month at Elouera Aged Care. Check with Robyn H or Rev Tina if you would like to help.
- **Friday and Saturday from 10am to 4pm**—our OPSHOP at Bellbrae opens for business. Call Doreen to add your name to the roster (0479 164 938). We'd love to have you. Well done to all the great volunteers who make this possible.
- **Aireys Inlet Lunch at the Pub** held on the first Friday of each month. Enjoyed by locals and our own Aireys congregation. All welcome.
- **Silent Worship** is being trialled at Aireys. Meeting in a private home to explore and evaluated this type of Spiritual engagement.
- **Dadirri Walk** is being planned again. This year the venue is an area that has been rewilded by the owners. Hopefully this will be a November event.
- **Carols at the Pub** will be happening again too. Dec 14th at 5pm is the provisional date. POP it in the calendar along with all these other great things happening on the Surf Coast,

Other news:

- Bellbrae have the sign for their quiet garden erected now.
- At Bellbrae's last Congregational meeting it was decided that the ongoing oversight of the OpShop become the responsibility of all 3 congregations, and that 2 representatives from each of the churches be chosen to help with the continuing running of this important resource for our churches and the community. Doreen Stephens will continue in her role as OP Shop Co-ordinator. Our Linked Congregational Council support this decision and will continue to support all who volunteer in all our outreach groups.

Points of interest from the Crosslight October 2025

- ◇ **UAICC**, the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress, celebrate 40 years of advocacy. Rev Will Pickett reflects on its legacy, challenges and hopes for the future.
- ◇ **Rev Salesi Faupula**, the new Vic Tas Moderator, shares these powerful words **"To be pilgrims of the Spirit is to keep moving forward, carrying HOPE rather than despair, building bridges rather than walls"**

Don't miss out , grab a copy!

Airey's Inlet St Aidan's Church, 29 Great Ocean Rd, Airey's
Bellbrae: Uniting Church. School & Anglesea Roads, Bellbrae
Torquay: Torquay Uniting Church, 27 Anderson Street, Torquay

www.surfcoast.unitingchurch.org.au

Facebook: Surf Coast Uniting Church

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. Direct Deposit or Cash

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