

Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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Sunday 29th March 2026 : Palm Sunday

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 : Palm Sunday Is 50:4-9a Ps 118:1-2,19-29 Phil 2:5-11 Mt 21:1-11

THIS Sunday 29th March we celebrate together Palm Sunday

A Combined Worship at Torquay.

Our guest speaker Glen Coleman,

Community Engagement Coordinator from the Leprosy Mission will share information on the work of the Mission.

There will be a retiring offering for the Leprosy Mission.

Thank you to all the musicians and all who help contribute to this special service shared together.



Please note a starting time of 10:00am to allow those coming from further away more time to arrive.

HOLY WEEK and EASTER **on the Surfcoast this year:**

Maundy Thursday Service Thursday 2nd April at Torquay at 7pm

Good Friday on 3rd April at Torquay at 9.30am for all congregations and followed by Hot Cross Buns at the Genats (8 Gogoll Crescent).

Easter Sunday Ecumenical Dawn Service at Cosy Corner at 6:15 am.

Easter Sunday services at usual times at each congregation.

Oak Tree Care Freezer has a few meals ready and waiting if you or someone you know needs an extra quick meal to help them through a difficult time.

There is a book to sign in and out if you either take a meal or leave one.

Call Marg Hirth if you have any questions.

Prayer for Palm SundayMaxwell Craig (Iona)

O God, we rejoice in the thrill of Palm Sunday. We see again the bright colours of that triumphant day; we hear shouts of Hosanna; we wave palm branches in unison with the children of Jerusalem. Yet we know that joy can be short-lived, that a crowd is often fickle; and that we can be part of that.

Make us true followers of Jesus, each day of this coming Holy Week, that as we walk the way of his cross, we may commit ourselves all over again to the love of his kingdom; in our own lives, in our communities and across our world. Amen



Aireys Inlet St Aidan's Church, 29 Great Ocean Rd, Aireys Inlet. *Sunday Worship at 9.30am*

Bellbrae: Uniting Church. School & Anglesea Roads, Bellbrae. *Sunday Worship at 11am.*

Torquay: Torquay Uniting Church, 27 Anderson Street, Torquay. *Sunday Worship at 9.30am*

Find us at : www.surfcoast.unitingchurch.org.au

ON Facebook: Surf Coast Uniting Church and Bellbrae Opshop and Bookroom

Regular Surfcoast Uniting Events

- **Beaut Beans** meet at Torquay each Tuesday at 10am to knit and crochet, socialise and plan their donations.
- **Coffee SPOT—Thursdays at 10.30am** Come and Go as you are able. Coffee and good conversation guaranteed.
- **Calvary Elouera Aged Care** Rev Tina and Robyn H lead this precious Ministry once a month. Next 5th March.
- **OPSHOP and BOOKSHOP at Bellbrae - every Friday and Saturday from 10am to 4pm**—open for business in 2026. Call Doreen to add your name to the roster (0479 164 938). We'd love to have you. Full training provided.
- **Aireys Inlet Lunch at the Pub** held on the first Friday of each month. Enjoyed by locals & the Aireys congregation. All are welcome.
- **Prayer Shawl group...** contact Marilyn Wendt if interested in joining this faithful group.
- **Silent Worship** i Meeting in a private home to explore and to evaluate this type of our spiritual engagement. Monthly on the second Thursday, 7.30 to 9.30pm
Contact Jill on 0417 798 396

Last Week's Taize service at Bellbrae was held in the Quiet Space in **Toombi Guyong Garden**.

Sixteen attendees, with two visitors from Adelaide, and three dogs experienced a meaningful reflective time, despite the challenge of busy traffic, a motorcycle group, two planes and a helicopter flying over.



An invitation to join a
Surfcoast Uniting Church

CAMINO WALK change this one !!!

A contemplative walk

From the Split Point Lighthouse to Urquhart's Bluff

When: Saturday, March 28, 2026, starting 10:30 AM

Where: Meeting in Aireys Inlet at the Lighthouse

What to bring: Don't forget the essentials: hat, sunscreen, water, good walking shoes.

The Camino Pilgrims are invited to join in a BYO picnic lunch at Urquhart's bluff at the end of the walk.



Please note:

All Uniting Church Events are cancelled on days of fire danger ratings of extreme or higher. The Camino planning committee reserves the right to cancel the event if the weather conditions on the day are considered unsuitable for the planned activity. Please consult the church website for further information. Web-site: <https://surfcoast.unitingchurch.org.au/news-blog/>

Torquay Church Choir is starting practice after Easter on Thursday 16th April at 5pm in church.
If there is anyone in the congregation who would like to join us then please contact June or just turn up on 16th at 5pm.
We are a lovely group who love singing.



A BIG REMINDER that after the Good Friday service in Torquay there will be Hot CrossBuns at the Genats . Just turn up. BYO buns (just only a few!)

Thanks to Tricia and Geoff for this annual feast.



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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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