

# Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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Sunday 7th June 2026

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](http://www.wadawurrung.org.au).

**Lectionary this week - Pentecost 2:** Genesis 12: 1-9. Psalm 33: 1-12. Romans 4: 13-25. Matthew 9: 9-13,18-26.



This is our nation, this is our land  
This is our future, this is our hope  
A land of reaping, a land of harvest  
This is our land, this is our home

This is the Great Southland of the Holy Spirit  
A land of red dust plains and summer rains  
To this sunburnt land we will see a flood  
And to this Great Southland His Spirit comes.

Geoff Bullock 1993



**It's Market Day for the Beaut Beanies on Saturday 6th June  
At the Torquay Farmers Market from 8am to 1pm.**

All items are hand knitted with love—beanies, amazing socks, hand warmers, scarves and dolls. All sizes and every colour—including some footy options (blue & white anyone)

Every year, this faithful crew get up early in wind and chill, pack up the boxes of beanies and hope for BIG sales. All money raised goes to worthy local causes. **Hope to see YOU!**



**Coffee at Bomboras** resumes this week - every Thursday from 10:30am. Call in for a cuppa and a chat and help resolve all the world's problems.

**Come and join us for  
Campfire Church at Aireys Inlet on  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 9:30am (The Kings Birthday long weekend)**

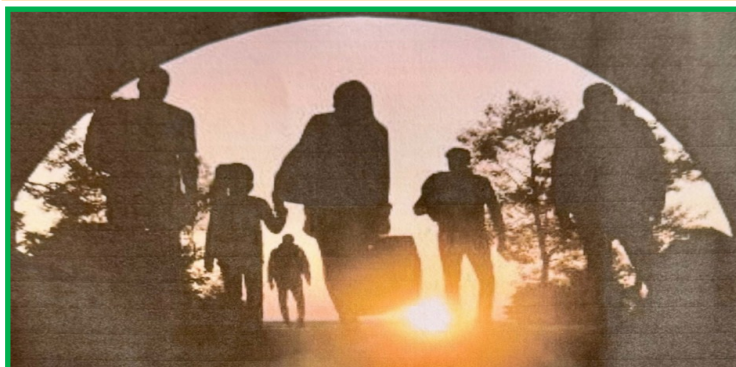


Come and join us to share stories and music around the campfire.

We will have candle prayers, hot chocolate and will toast marshmallows. **(Parents will be required to supervise children)**

If you play the ukulele, guitar or mandolin please bring your instrument and join in a campfire song with us.

Please pray for our service and all who come to be blessed.



Aireys Inlet Rural Australians for Refugees presents

## Tales of Lived Experience

Join Tim Costello, humanitarian advocate and former CEO of World Vision, in conversation with three refugees who will share their stories of resettling in Australia.

**Date:** Saturday 20 June 2026 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Location:** Aireys Inlet Community Hall, 6 Great Ocean Road, Aireys Inlet Vic 3231

**Tickets:** \$25

**Available through trybooking:**

<https://www.trybooking.com/DLKZX>



Drinks, finger food and a chat after the event.

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**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](http://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 at Bomboras** every Thursday at 10.30am. Come and Go as you please, take time to chat and rest.
- **Calvary Elouera Aged Care** Rev Tina and Robyn H lead this precious Ministry monthly on the first Thursday.
- **OPSHOP and BOOKSHOP at Bellbrae - every Friday and Saturday from 10am to 4pm** 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, 7.00 to 9.00pm  
Contact Jill on 0417 798 396

A BIG Thank You from Robyn & Alan Harper for the support of the Morning Tea at Kithbrook to support the Cottage By the Sea programs. To donate see <https://www.cottagebythesea.com.au/ways-to-give>



### Feeling a little off-balance?

Check out BALLET FOR BALANCE classes at OAK TREE PLACE on Wednesdays.

A Ballet style movement group to assist with preventing falls and to maintain your general health and wellbeing.

Register interest by email to [oceanroadot@gmail.com](mailto:oceanroadot@gmail.com)

Or call Cat on 0423 238 765



### Next week's services on the Surfcoast: June 14th

- \* **Aireys Inlet 9:30am. Rev Tina's Liturgy**
- \* **Torquay 9:30am. Rev Tina & Communion**
- \* **Bellbrae 11:00am. Rev Tina & Communion**



### Need a new book for winter reading?

**Friday 6th June & Sat 7th June**

**Friday 3rd July & Sat 4th July**

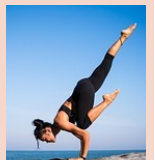
At Grovedale UNITING on 272 Torquay Road, (cr Reserve & Torquay Rd) between **10.00am – 2.00pm**

LOTS of books—adult books \$1, children's books .50c.

**AND—Please don't forget the wonderful Bookroom at our very own Bellbrae OPSHOP. Fridays & Saturdays 10 to 4.**

*Last week, your newsletter editors were lucky enough to enjoy a week of sunshine, warm seas, regular yoga sessions and lots of nice people, food and conversations while Alan held the fort here, thank you!*

*This poem by Donna Ashworth featured in one quiet session and we thought you would like it too.*



## JOY

Joy does not arrive with a fanfare,  
on a red carpet strewn with the flowers of a perfect life.  
Joy sneaks in, as you pour a cup of coffee,  
watching the sun hit your favourite tree, just right.  
And you usher joy away,  
because you are not ready for it.  
Your house is not as it must be,  
for such a distinguished guest.  
But joy cares nothing for your messy home,  
or your bank-balance,  
or your waistline, you see.  
Joy is supposed to slither through the cracks of your  
imperfect life,  
that's how joy works.  
You cannot invite her, you can only be ready when she  
appears.  
And hug her with meaning,  
because in this very moment,  
joy chose you.

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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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