

Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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Sunday 26th July 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.

Lectionary this week :: Pent 9 : Gn 29:15-28 Ps 105:1-11, 45b Rom 8:26-39 Mt 13:31-33, 44-52 ,1Kg 3:5-12 Ps 128 Ps 119: 129-136

This Sunday is All Age Worship at Torquay, and we will be focusing on spending time with God and how the parables of the pearl, hidden treasure, mustard seeds, yeast and fishing nets speak into our life today.

There will be puppet madness, candle prayers, fun activities making a bookmark or prayer card, great music, good company, sharing and lots of laughter. Come join us and please bring a plate. I will be staying with you after the service and would love to catch up with your news.

If you can't join us, please pray for the service and for all those who lead and participate to be blessed by God. This is a new service and it's wonderful how everyone has been so supportive.

I've been observing the stats we receive from our Facebook posts about the service, and our posts are putting us on the map. A large percentage of people viewing the posts are in the age group from 35-44, the age most people are parents of children and teenagers and it's our hope they will come and join us.

Rev Tina



Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd August.

Torquay and Bellbrae will be hosting exhibits, cake and craft stalls and much more. To be involved, check with your council members and volunteer some hours. There are over 60 sites and 300 exhibitors, including many of our own folk.

SURF COAST
ARTS Trail

Including a book launch that you are invited to : and an exhibition of illustrations:

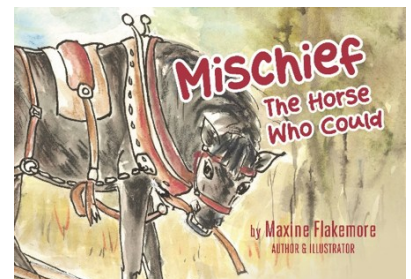
INTRODUCED BY Reverend Tina Lyndon Ng

“Mischief The Horse Who Could”

By Maxine Flakemore

At 1pm on August 1st 2026

At Bellbrae Uniting Church: 5 School Rd Bellbrae



Uniting Church Services on the Surfcoast : This Sunday 26th July. Pentecost 9

Aireys Inlet: 9.30am : Rev Tina's Liturgy: Bellbrae: 11:00 am Taize : Torquay : 9.30am : All Age service with Rev Tina



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

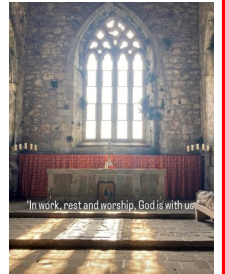
- **Beaut Beanies** meet at Torquay each Tuesday at 10am to knit and crochet, socialise and plan their donations.
- **Coffee at Bomboras** every Thursday at 10.30am. Come and Go as you please, take time to chat and rest.
- **Calvary Elouera Aged Care** Rev Tina and Robyn H lead this precious Ministry 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

Worship next week: 2nd August

- * **Aireys Inlet 9:30am** Rev Tina.. Communion
- * **Torquay 9:30am** Rev Stephen Rowe
- * **Bellbrae 9:00am** Taize with Maxine Flakemore before Arts Trail day

Prayers can reach across the miles, they still touch our hearts, they allow us to sit in a quiet moment knowing that others ,wherever they are , reach out as God's love reaches us all.

May your week allow you to sit in quiet beautiful spaces to pray and be restored with love.



A welcome to Philomena and Samson, refugees, now worshipping at Bellbrae.

We are so privileged in Australia. We didn't have to flee our country because of our faith. Philomena and Samson did, in fact if they didn't they might have been killed. In Pakistan it is illegal to distribute Christian material – which their son was found to be doing. To punish his family, the police confiscated all their possessions and their home and threatened violence if they didn't give up their son. To avoid this and prison, Philomena and Samson fled with their daughter Sana to Thailand and with the help of relatives sought asylum there. They remained in Thailand for 15 years waiting to be accepted into UN-HCR and the CRISP program. Their son is still in hiding in Pakistan and their daughter Sana is still waiting to be accepted into the refugee program. They pray every day for the safety of their children. Since joining Bellbrae Uniting in April, Philomena and Samson have been very grateful and willing members of our congregation. Some pavers were acquired through Maxine's prayer and a friendly neighbour Leigh, and last Sunday Samson got to work paving part of our garden! The needs are on-going for Philomena and Samson but we have been able to assist with clothing from our Op Shop , and much needed medical appointments have been organised by the wonderful Crisp volunteers from the Jan Juc Crisp group

We are blessed to welcome them both into our loving church community at Bellbrae.



Rev Tina on Long Service Leave

Dear members of Surf Coast Uniting Churches

I'm on leave from the 3rd of August until the 2nd of September and will be travelling with my husband to Singapore, the UK and Ireland. I'll put some photos on Facebook of some of the places we go, such as Lindisfarne, Holy Island in Wales and the Ring of Kerry in Ireland. When I'm away a team of ministers/lay preacher and members of the congregation will lead worship. Tricia Genat, Maxine Flakemore and Mary Bremmer are your contacts for funerals, and they will work with Rev Peter Jewell. I'll be thinking of you, and my prayers will be with you. I look forward to returning with stories to share.

Rev Tina

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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.

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