

Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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Sunday 27th September 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 is Pentecost 18: Exodus 17: 1-7, Psalm 78: 1-4, 12-16, Philemon 2: 1-13, Matthew 21: 23-32



Living Water Season of Creation 2026

God of living water, Source and Sustainer of all life,
we give thanks for the waters that nourish the earth:
for rain falling on dry ground, rivers running towards the sea,
springs rising from hidden places,
and every cup of water that refreshes and restores.
We remember before you all who are thirsty -
those who search each day for water, those who wait beside empty tanks,
those whose wells are polluted, whose pipelines have been destroyed,
and whose access to water is restricted by poverty,
displacement, warfare or deliberate policy.
We pray especially for the people of Gaza,
and for all places where water has become
a weapon of war or an instrument of power.
Forgive us when we take your gifts for granted;
when we treat water as a possession rather than a sacred trust;
when our ways of living diminish rivers, wetlands and aquifers;
and when we remain silent while others are denied
what every person needs in order to live.
God who brought water from the rock,
bring life from places that appear barren,
hope where despair has taken hold,
and peace where violence has destroyed.
Give courage to those who protect water and defend life.
Guide governments and communities in the ways of justice.
And make us willing participants in your work of renewal.
May water flow freely. May the earth be healed.
May the thirsty drink. May justice roll down like waters,
and peace like an ever-flowing stream. Amen

A Prayer for Peace to honour the UN International day of Peace this week. As written for the latest Victorian Council of Churches e-news and used with thanks



A Special Note for Torquay:

All Age Worship at Torquay this Sunday

Our Worship is in the church this Sunday and we are making a giant heart on the floor. Please bring along shells, small stones, driftwood and any glass or plastic you have picked up on the beach to make our heart.



Worship at Torquay is followed by Torquay's Own Strategies Session (with morning tea)

Come along and have fun finding out about your gifts, a brainwashing session and discussions about how to implement your suggestions and ideas for mission from our earlier Visioning session.

Rev Tina

Poetry Corner:

written & shared this week by Olivia

my head hit the pillow
in my humble abode,

I reminded myself of all that I have,
and decided to dream of everything
I was to become.

I filled my heart with gratitude,
and told God to watch over me
as I whispered my hopes
and dreams to the moon.



Uniting Church Services on the Surfcoast : This Sunday 27th September

Aireys Inlet at 9.30am: Rev Tina's Liturgy led by Jamie Thom

Bellbrae at 11am: Taizé Service led by Maxine Flakemore

Torquay at 9.30am : 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

Worship on the Surfcoast for the week ahead Sunday 4th October

Aireys Inlet at 9.30am: Rev Tina and Communion

Bellbrae at 11am: Rev Stephen Rowe

Torquay at 9.30am : Rev Stephen Rowe

NOTE: Service at Elouera on Thursday 1st October at 2.15pm

Torquay has ordered new chairs for Oak Tree Place as planned in the budget. These will replace the older plastic ones. Some of the old chairs in better condition will be available for a new home. Your place, or a friends or an organisation. No charge, but pick up must be organised.



Contact details & numbers to be provided next week.

HE BROUGHT STREAMS
FROM THE STONE AND
MADE WATER FLOW DOWN
LIKE RIVERS.
- PSALM 78:16

Calling all writers and creatives.

Rev Tina continues to edit and collate items for our Surfcoast Spirituality Book.



The book has over 15 entries so far and there is room for

more. If you would like to contribute an article, poem, photo, photo with short reflection, drawing, etc, etc please email it direct to revtinalyndon@gmail.com.

Photos need to be jpeg please and stories around 1000 words.

Thank You

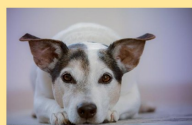
Regular Surfcoast Uniting Events

- **Beaut Beanies** meet at Torquay each Tuesday at 10am to knit and crochet, chat and share and plan their donations.
- **Coffee at Bomboras** every Thursday at 10.30am. Come and Go as you please, take time to connect and 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 - Friday & Saturday from 10am to 4pm** Call Doreen to add your name to the roster (0479 164 938).
- **Aireys Inlet Lunch at the Pub** First Friday of each month. Enjoyed by locals & the Aireys congregation. Anyone is very welcome. Call Mary Bremner to confirm.
- **Prayer Shawl group...** contact Marilyn Wendt if interested in joining this faithful group.
- **Silent Worship** : 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



**BELLBRAE COMMUNITY
UNITING CHURCH**

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



Blessing of the pets

conducted by Reverend Tina Lyndon-Ng

On Sunday 11th October 2026: 11am-12pm

followed by a sausage sizzle in the garden of

Toombi Guyon

At 5 School Rd, Bellbrae.

COME AND BRING YOUR LOVED ONES

Friday 25th September: IT's a WORKING BEE DAY!



Grand Final Holiday will be celebrated at Bellbrae and Torquay with a morning Working Bee for the property. BYO tools for dusting, weeding, cleaning etc.

9.30am to 12 noon. Coffee & Cake provided. Thank you in advance.

Sunday 4th October

- **Film Night at Aireys Inlet Community Hall. Film: The hundred Foot Journey.** A comedy/drama about family, fulfilment and people changing for the better. Enjoy a discussion & light meal after. 4.30pm at Aireys Community hall. RSVP to Rev Tina for catering purposes.
- **Daylight Saving officially starts.**



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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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