

Surfcoast Uniting Churches Newsletter

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Sunday 4th October 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 19: Ex 20:1-4, 7-9 Ps 19 Phil 3:4b-14 Mt 21:33-46



Beauty in nature...

these stunning Jezebel Butterflies are emerging from their cocoons at Rosemary's place. They feed almost exclusively on mistletoe.

Photos of some of the activities from last week's service at Torquay.. A heart made of shells and other items from the beach plus the stars with prayers.



Another butterfly appeared in the Puppet Madness!



Bellbrae Congregation . There will be a council meeting after church on **Sunday October 18th**.

Torquay Congregation: There will be a Congregational meeting on **October 25th** after church. Agenda includes the updated finance report, an invite to join the 50th UC Celebrations and also a letter regarding the fossil fuels treaty. Any other agenda items can be forwarded to Sylvia Peck or Tricia Genat.

As our 2026 Season of Creation celebrations draw to a close, we invite you to continue praying with us for creation and climate justice through this prayer written by Dr Miriam Pepper. Common Grace

Loving God,

You care for your creatures large and small.

Their songs - and cries - resound across the Earth.

May they be no longer silenced or ignored,

As we too seek to attend to their voices. When we are distracted, delight us with the diversity of your kin-dom.

God of the least,

You are found among the oppressed, the dispossessed and the destitute.

We long for the flourishing of all.

Open the hearts of those who side with the wealthy to

abide with the poor,

Just as we commit to join those who cry for justice.

If we hang on to our privilege,

Provoke us with the vision of your kin-dom.

Living God,

You breathe new life amidst death and decay.

We look for your resurrection in this world.

As Earth's support systems unravel,

We pray for urgent action across the globe,

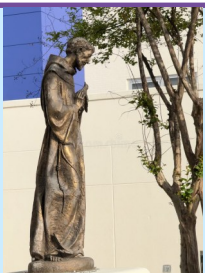
And redouble our efforts for Earth and her creatures.

Through despondency and distress,

Sustain us in the joy of your kin-dom.

In the name of Christ,

Amen.



Uniting Church Services on the Surfcoast : This Sunday 4th October

Aireys Inlet at 9.30am: Rev Tina with Communion

Bellbrae at 11am: Rev Stephen Rowe

Torquay at 9.30am : Rev Stephen Rowe



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 11th October

Aireys Inlet at 9.30am: Nathan Nettleton

Bellbrae at 11am: Rev Tina with Communion, and Pet Blessing

Torquay at 9.30am : Rev Tina with Communion

Message from Rev Tina.

I'm raising money for life saving equipment for the Flying doctors this month with an 87-day walking challenge. I visited Alice Springs Uniting and the Flying doctor's museum in between the Covid lockdowns and was impressed by the story of Rev John Flynn

who was the founder of the flying doctors. The Uniting Church has a plaque about him on the wall and the flying doctor's website has his biography.

<https://www.flyingdoctor.org.au/about-the-rfds/history/john-flynn-bio/>

Please contact me and recommend walks of around 3-4k and if you would like to join me.

Please donate to the flying doctors. The money goes towards buying medical equipment. This is my fundraising page:

<https://www.oceanstooutback.org.au/fundraisers/tinalyndon/oceans-to-outback-2026>



Thank you to everyone who turned up with tools and energy for the working bees at Bellbrae and Torquay last Friday. Both properties are looking good.

At Torquay, quite a lot of sorting was done and we have some things to give away:

1. Lots of Australian Hymn book .. Available now.
2. Lots of our white chairs, available Oct 10th.

Please contact Robyn (0407829926) or Tricia (0419340056) for questions or requests about either of these things.

Study based on Movie – The Hundred Foot Journey

We're having a study, dinner and discussion this Sunday 4th October 2026 at 4:30pm at Aireys Inlet Community Centre, 6 Great Ocean Road, Aireys Inlet.

The movie is about a comedy where a family moves from Mumbai, India to a town in France and they set up an Indian Restaurant opposite a French restaurant with a Michelin star. Both owners are perfectionists, competitive and stubborn, yet after obstacles and a tragic event, they become friends. It's also a love story between two chefs, one is the son of the family from Mumbai, who ends up becoming a famous chef, then discovering what's important in life. Come along and enjoy yourself.

For catering purposes please let me know you're coming – revtinalyndon@gmail.com

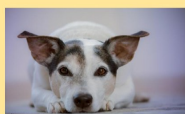
Rev Tina

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

**Airey's Inlet St Aidan's Church, 29 Great Ocean Rd, Airey's
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Torquay: Torquay Uniting Church, 27 Anderson Street, Torquay**

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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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