

# **Church Diary Dates**

#### August

12th Blokes Breakfast

13th Church Council Meeting

19th WOW Breakfast

20th Confirmation Chaz & Hannah

#### September

30th Garage Sale

#### November

25th Garage Sale

## To give electronically:

#### Bendigo Bank

Reference: OFFERING

BSB 633 000 Account 183102011

# Helpers wanted please

We are in need of more people to help out with our Sunday morning service. We need people for: Lectionary readings, Intercession, greeting and cleaning. If you can help out one Sunday a month with something, it would ease the load. If we could also have some help with morning tea, that would be good.

# August Birthdays

Paul Inglis
Lochie Vosper
Jan Page
Sam Perry
Sylvia Brereton
Robyn Rath
Andris Karklins
Kevin Sellin
Gloria Nichol
Cooper Stewart

# Successful Referendum Seminar

Thanks to Joy Salmond, the Explorer's session on Information for the coming Referendum on the Voice, was a good experience for many people. Feedback has all been positive coming from members of the community, visitors from another Uniting Church, and members of our congregation. Joy did an enormous amount of research and prepared some very interesting resources to share in a balanced way. If you were unable to attend there is an electronic copy of her list of excellent reference material for you to do your own homework and be prepared to make a well-considered response.

Paul (Council Chair)

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# **Pastor's Ponderings**

I want to continue thinking about what makes Uniting Church Dayboro who and what we are & how what I think we can remain at the heart of our community in the coming years. I've thought about some paradigms of thought and action that we do and ought to continue to value. These aren't dogma, so take them seriously, but hold them lightly. It's not vital that you agree with every word or part of this pondering; it's a conversation starter. And always know that we support you on your authentic pilgrim journey.

We believe that following the way and teachings of Jesus can lead us to experiencing sacredness, wholeness, and a union with all life. Even as we recognise the Spirit moves in beneficial ways in many faith traditions and even outside of faith communities.

We seek to be community; a community that is inclusive of all people. We honour the differences in theological perspectives, age, skin colour, nationality, sexual orientation, gender expressions, financial position, and abilities.

We strive to live with justice and in peace among all people, especially our community. We know that living lives of compassion and selfless love towards all is the fullest expression of what we believe.

We commit to a journey of life-long learning, believing there is greater value on questioning and conversation than in vague and imperfect absolutes.

We do not blindly reject the insights of the sciences; we aim to live in a way that is sustainable and protects our earth.

Shalom.

## Danny

## **Indigenous Voice Resource**

https://voice.gov.au/sites/default/files/resource/download/indigenous-voice-co-design-process-final-report\_1.pdf

[You could copy and paste this link into your web browser]

# Lectionary and Rosters - August 2023

Date	6 August 2023	13/087/2023	20 August 2023	27 August 2023
Season	Pentecost 10 - Green	Pentecost 11 - Green	Pentecost 12 - Green	Pentecost 13 - Green
First Reading	Genesis 32: 22 - 31	Genesis 37:1 – 4, 12 – 28	Genesis 45: 1 - 15	Exodus 1: 8 - 2: 10
Psalm	Psalm 17: 1 - 7, 15	Psalm 105: 1 - 6, 16 – 22, 45b	Psalm 133	Psalm 124
Second Reading	Romans 9: 1 - 5	Romans 10: 5 – 15	Romans 11: 1- 26, 29-32	Romans 12: 1 - 8
Gospel	Matthew 14: 13 - 21	Matthew 14: 22 – 33	Matthew 15: (11 - 20), 21 - 28	Matthew 16: 13 - 20
Reader	Andris	Vicki	Wargaret	Jeanette
Message	Danny	Danny	Danny	Shirley
Young at Heart	Joy		Danny	
Prayers	Paul	Robyn	Arn	Robyn
Singer	Liz	Carolyn	Lorraine & Tim	Maria & Bill
Keyboard	July	Coral	Judy	CoraL
Sunday Space	Joy & Robyn	Fiona & Paul	Carolyn & Maria	Communion
Cleaning &COVID Duties	John & Joy	Andris & Marion	Carolyn & Maria	Mark & Maria
Welcome & Offering	Andris & Marion	Mark & Maria	Andris & Marion	Robert & Judy
Notes				Explorers Meet

## Uniting Church - Dayboro - Who are we?

We are a group of ordinary and diverse people trying to follow the teachings and example of Jesus. You will find a wide variey of views and opinions here, but we are truly one family. As a community of faith, we love to share what we have through worship, our fellowship and acts of loving kindness. In this family of faith, God matters and all people matter. Therefore, we are intentionally inclusive. This is a place where all people can know that they are accepted just as they are. We are open to all. This isn't the type of church that will tell you how you should live as a "good Christian", we won't tell you how a "good Christian" should think, but we will tell you that you should think. We simply want to offer you love, acceptance and hope all in the person of Jesus Christ.

**Deadline** for September 2023 Bulletin is 21 August 2023 or earlier if possible Email Warren Rose: warrenrose16[at]gmail[dot]com

# From the Chairperson

Thank you to all those people who have responded to our Council's Giving Appeal already by reviewing their weekly giving and/or becoming direct givers. We are working on our goal to get Ps Dan to half time employment and every bit helps. Thanks also to the donors who made it possible for us to establish our rose gardens as we continue to make our facility "in the heart of Dayboro" appealing to the community.

#### Paul

#### **BLOKES BREAKFAST**

OUR AUGUST BLOKES' BREAKFAST IS ON SATURDAY 12TH.

We are taking a brief departure from our normal format & have a special guest; Mark Keenan.

Mark will talk with us about 'dealing with bereavement'.

This is a great opportunity to invite family members, friends, & neighbours.

We start at 7:30 AM sharp & finish around 9:00.

Our suggested cost is only \$5, but we willingly will accept a bigger donation.

If you're coming please remember to let Mark know for catering purposes.

# **Another Celebration**

On Sunday 20th August we will witness the confirmation of Chaz and Hannah in the service. This will be a very special morning for all of us and will be followed by a celebration morning tea.

## **WOW Breakfast**

Saturday 19 th August 8am

Ladies join us for breakfast at the church hall this time.

Would love to see you all.

Please bring something to share for breakfast and let

Carolyn know what you are bringing.

## Provision of Meals

When needed,

we as a church community cook and deliver meals to those in need.

If you become aware of some-one in need, please let Maria, Robyn or Carolyn know .

Also if you would like to be one of our cooks willing to prepare a meal when needed.

please let us know.

There is scope for reimbursement of ingredients to help offset costs.

## First Aid Officers Required

It is a requirement that we have a First Aid Officer at Church Events.

If you have this hidden qualification and you are happy to go on our register of First Aid Officers please let Carolyn know.

The Dayboro Lions run a First Aid course yearly free of charge to people who are involved in Community Groups .

This is held in our church hall and this year's date is 5th August.

If interested please see Carolyn for further details.

# UC Dayboro Congregation and Church Council Policies and Procedures Handbook - Update

The Handbook draws together all the relevant information for the congregation and church councillors to effectively and efficiently ensure the ministry and mission of this congregation is possible.

The handbook has not been completely updated for some time and as Uniting Church and Queensland Government requirements change, so it is important to keep the handbook up to date

I volunteered to undertake this updating when I joined the Church Council a few monthsago.

Not only will existing documents in the Handbook be updated, but new information will be added so that the things we 'know' and 'do' will also be documented so that when key people are on holidays or away, other people might be able to step in with some guidelines on how to fulfil the expectations of the congregation.

The Handbook will have multiple sections and could contain as many as 100 pages.

Sections in the handbook focus on specific areas:

- 1. Key people and the Church Calendar
- Uniting Church Dayboro vision, goals and strategies for mission and ministry
- 3. Church Council Roles and Responsibilities
- + Details of the Church Councilors responsibilities for each ministry or mission area, Job descriptions for various roles and Guidelines for bulletin editor, community events coordinator, publicity, first aid etc
- 4. Love God Ministry and Worship documents for each area of responsibility

- Love our Neighbours in the Congregation documents for each area of responsibility
- 6. Safe Ministry with Children policies and procedures
- Love our Neighbours in the Community documents for each area of responsibility
- 8. Finance policies and procedures
- 9. Property policies, procedures including maintenance and hire arrangements
- Attachments UCA Policy documents and other relevant reference documents
- Forms forms that the various groups use or require in the day to day operation of this church

As you can see, the Handbook covers a wide range of topics and at this stage sections 1 to 3 have been drafted for approval by the Church Council at its August meeting. The other sections will be completed over the next few months.

The Handbook will be published as a pdf document so that it can be updated as time goes by.

If you have any suggestions please email me.

Report by Warren Rose

## **Explorers**

The Explorers group meets on the 4th Sunday after Church and morning tea to discuss new ideas on how to live the life Jesus of Nazareth taught about and lived out. We discover new insights and new ways of living on a daily basis.

All are welcome and you can join at any time and attend as often as you
 are able. Topics vary from month to month.



# **Stop Press**

The editor missed including this important notice in the August 2023 Bulletin

# **Sunday Jamming Sessions**

Resuming Soon - Once each month

# **Sunday Afternoons for 2 hours**

Afternoon tea included

Cost: \$5 per person

## All musicians are welcome to attend

If you want to come along and sing or dance, you are most welcome

This could be a fun activity bringing laughter and creating new friendships

Enquiries: Coral Keogh

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