

May Birthdays

6th Lilly May Bohan
9th Lorelle Costello
14th Ann Turner
20th Nikki Boyd
22nd Karen Krarup
29th Flynn Bohan
31st Myles Perry

*Happy birthday to you all!
May you know God's
blessing on your life.*

ADVANCE DATES

*Blake's Brekkie - 1 June
Inter Church Ladies
Luncheon - 11 June
W O W - 15 June*

May dates at a glance

Sunday 12th- Mother's Day

Sunday 19th at 9am - Service of Holy Communion, 2pm Jamming session

Tuesday 21st - morning - Pricing Tuesday set up Bric-a-brac in hall

Saturday 25th at 4.30pm - service and shared meal

Sunday 26th Dayboro Day- no service

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Dayboro Day- Celebrating and showcasing our community

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 variety 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

This month's wisdom: *The gospel doesn't need a coalition devoted to keeping the wrong people out. It needs a family of sinners, saved by grace, committed to tearing down the walls, throwing open the doors, and shouting, "Welcome! There's bread and wine."* (Rachel Held Evans)

The people of Uniting Church Dayboro are warm, inclusive and welcoming who LOVE Jesus, LOVE each other and LOVE our communities, giving HOPE for the future. Our worship, our communion table and fellowship is open to all. We simply offer you a place where you will be accepted and loved, and where you can learn about the grace of God.

**Service times: 9am every Sunday
22 William St Dayboro
<https://www.dayborouca.com.au>**

Pastor's Ponderings

Reaching out to our Communities

A question raised recently, included in the Church Council's Visioning sessions, is how we as a congregation reach out into our communities.

Firstly, we need to recognise that as a congregation we extend far beyond the boundaries of Dayboro & our surrounding localities. Some people wonder why we attract people from outside the "4521" postcode. I think it has a lot to do with who we are. We are somewhat unique in that, we are open and inclusive, we don't force a theological model on people, we don't push you toward a political allegiance, & we are genuinely welcoming and loving of people just the way they are.

Secondly, we should acknowledge that communities can mean a lot more than just where people live. When I was teaching in Bible Colleges one church growth principle was to acknowledge what was then called homogenous groups. That simply means people that have a common interest, a common heritage, a common sexuality, anything that helps people in a group realise they have something in common. It might be horse riding, knitting, cooking, stamp collecting... anything at all. Those groups are communities or micro communities. When we talk about reaching into communities try to think beyond geography.

So how do we reach into all the communities we represent? We are called to love our neighbours in ways that demonstrate the good news of the gospel. It is by our love people will recognise that we are followers of Jesus. Francis of Assisi reportedly said, "Preach the gospel at all times and if necessary, use words." Implicit in this saying is the understanding that often the most powerful sermons are those that are unspoken. When we have integrity and live consistently by our standards, people notice. When we radiate joy and happiness, they notice even more. When we demonstrate genuine love they will know we are followers of Jesus of Nazareth. Shalom,
Danny



Dayboro Day



- * Starts around 8-8.30am
- * Parade 10am
- * Officials & awards 11 am
- * Raft race 1.30pm
- * Finish 3pm



Dayboro Day Preparation - from Marion K

Any donations of **items for sale** for Dayboro Day including **Bric a Brac** drop off each Sunday before Dayboro Day between 10am – 11am. This way we are there to assist and store in the shed.

Donations of money or ingredients for the Cooking Stall can be given to Maria Hansen.

If anyone is available to **cook** for Dayboro Day e.g. **cakes, slices, pickles, jams, chutneys** etc. Let Marion Karklins or Robyn Inglis know, because we are making freezer space available for goods, well packed and ingredients listed.

Saturday 25th May at the church we will be packaging and labelling cooking that has been stored in the freezer to make it ready for sale on Dayboro Day. Help with this task will be greatly appreciated.

Dayboro Day- from Mark H

I'm looking for 4 strong people for set up- marquees, tables & signs- in the morning, and 4 for pack-up in the afternoon. (Mark will speak with individuals for this task!)

Rosters for May, 2024

	5 May	12 May	19 May	Saturday 25 May	26 May
LECTIONARY READINGS	Easter 6 W Acts 10:44-48 Ps 98 1 Jn 5:1-6 Jn 15:9-17	Easter 7 W Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Ps 1 1 Jn 5:9-13 Jn 17:6-19	Pentecost R Acts 2:1-21 or Ezek 37:1-14 Ps 104:24-34, 35b Rom 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21 Jn 15:26-27; 16:4b-15	4.30pm	Trinity Sunday. W Is 6:1-8 Ps 29 Rom 8:12-17 Jn 3:1-17
Message	Danny	Shirley	Danny	Danny	Dayboro
Young & Young-at-Heart	Joy	Shirley	Danny		Day
Reader	John	Ann & Peppi	Christina		Festival
Intercession	Paul	Maria	Margaret-Anne		No
Singers	Lorraine, Tim, Carolyn	Maria, David	Liz, Tim, Chaz	Guitars	Sunday
Keyboard	Coral	Judy	Coral		Service
Sunday Space	Fiona & Maria	Joy & Paul	Communion		
Greeting	Andris & Marion	Mark & Maria	Judy & Robert		
Cleaning	Andris, Marion+	Joy & John+	Mark & Maria+		Workers

If you are unable to fill your place on the roster, please try to arrange your own swap, and notify Maria Hansen.

**Deadline: for the June 2024 Bulletin is
21 May 2024**

Email: Joy Salmond: joy.salmond@gmail.com

Church Council News

As we continue our slow but steady growth, we have been engaged in an exercise vital to our health and vitality as a congregation – Visioning. This involves an analysis of what we do, who we think we are, what we are achieving, and where we need to improve our efforts. We know there is always room for improvement and there is no place for complacency in following the mission of Jesus to bring peace and harmony to the world around us.

Shirley has taken councillors through Stage 2 and we will do at least one more Stage before bringing some recommendations to a Council meeting and the Congregation for further refinement. We want to give everyone an opportunity to be heard on this important business.

Big thanks to everyone for the work that is done behind the scenes and this time I want to single out David Windebank for the great Trivia Quiz and Lunch. We were able to add \$145 to our Grounds improvement Fund. Planning has started on another of these fun events later in the year in support of our Community Welfare Fund.

We are now very focussed on Dayboro Day. Last year we had an impressive team come forward to help before during and after the great day. Hopefully we can repeat that and weather permitting have a day that is busy, enjoyable and rewarding.

There is a lot of caring for members, their families and others going on at the moment. This is our core work. Thanks for being there for each other.

Paul Inglis

Church Council Chair

CALLING ALL RAFTERS!



Uniting Dayboro has the opportunity to enter the Waterless Raft Race!
Who is interested in 1) Building a vessel and 2) forming part of the 'crew'?
Raft race starts at 1.30pm.
What a great way to show the town how crazy we are!

No Service Dayboro Day

(Sunday 26th May)

Devotion style service

Saturday 25th May

4:30 PM

Uniting Church Dayboro

Those who would like to stay afterward,
please bring something to share for dinner.

PARADE STARTS AT 10AM

March behind the Uniting Church banner!

Children's Ministry @ Uniting Church Dayboro

- * Sunday Space in school terms (except Communion Sunday). Children leave early in the service for their program in the hall.
- * Young & Young-at-Heart message during each service
- * Activities for our littlest people in the kids' corner

UCD is a Kid-Safe Church

Electronic giving has helped us budget more efficiently and effectively for our mission to serve. Thank you!

To give electronically: Bendigo Bank

Reference: OFFERING

BSB: 633 000

Account: 183102011

Communion Service May

Sunday 19th 9:00 AM



There is no Sunday Space on Communion Sunday, but children are welcome to participate in this special service.



Do you love making music? Jamming is on Sunday 19th May at 2pm in the hall. All welcome for fun and friendship!