

Quick Reference Diary Dates

October Dates

Sunday 6 Sunday Space resumes

Sunday 6 Laying on of hands for new council

Saturday 12 Blokes Breakfast

Sunday 13 Church Council meeting 11am to 12 noon

Saturday 19 Open Night

Saturday 26 Women of Worth breakfast

Sunday 27 Communion, Explorers and Sunday Jam

November dates

Sunday 3 Christmas Eve Choir - fortnightly practices after church

Sunday 3 Trivia and church lunch after service

Tuesday 19 Yard sale pricing

Saturday 23 Christmas Yard Sale

December Dates

Wednesday 20 Carols on the Deck

Tuesday 24 (Christmas Eve) Carols by Candlelight

Wednesday 25 (Christmas Day) Lessons and Carols

Wednesday 25 Combined Churches Lunch in the Community Hall

To give electronically:

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Deadline: for the November 2024 Bulletin is 21 October 2024 or earlier if possible. Email Warren Rose : warrenrose16[at]gmail[dot]com

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Uniting Church in Australia

Dayboro Congregation

Bulletin October 2024



The people of Uniting Church Dayboro are warm, inclusive and welcoming who LOVE Jesus, LOVE each other and LOVE our Dayboro community 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.

Pastor's Ponderings

For a long time, the church as a whole had a strategy, and it worked for a season. We believed in the church version of "Field of Dreams" - if we build it, they will come. The church built bigger buildings and devised and provided more and better programming. We attracted people to our churches, with mega shows, bright lights, and a concert like feel. We provided services and clubs for everyone from creche to dotage. In many places, people came, and churches grew.

This strategy worked while people in our nation identified with church and saw the church as a good thing in community. But the rise of Christian Nationalism, the controversies, the shameful conduct of members of the so-called clergy, and a host of other missteps, have made many people see the church as an irrelevancy in modern life. For our generation, the last of the "Boomers" and the upper limits of "Gen X", we in the church still see church as an overall positive influence for God and community. But what about the ones coming behind us? Them, not so much. The question we need to think about is why would they want to join a faith community?

I personally suspect the answer lies in the word "community". Our Church Council in Dayboro has been working hard to reevaluate our vision as a church, and to consider how we can best go about our mission. We are considering how best we can effectively love God and others. How can we help others discover the way of Jesus. How can we be relevant. We will soon come to the congregation with reviewed Vision & Mission statements, and what we think we can do to be relevant in our communities. I hope you will join us in our mission and bring others to the way of Jesus.

Shalom,
Danny

Sunday Space

A ministry to young people

Sunday Space - will be held on Sundays 6, 13 and 20 October

All children welcome

No Sunday Space 27 October

Lectionary and Rosters - October 2024

Date	6 October 2024	13 October 2024	20 October 2024	27 October 2024
Season	Pentecost 21 G	Pentecost 22 G	Pentecost 23 G	Pentecost 24G
First Reading	Job1:1; 2: 1 - 10	Job 23: 1 - 9, 16 - 17	Job 38: 1 - 7; (33 - 41)	Job 42: 1 - 6, 10 - 17
Psalm	Psalm 26	Psalm 22: 1 - 15	Psalm 104: 1 - 9, 24 - 35c	Psalm 34: 1-8, (19 -22)
Second Reading	Hebrews 1:1-4; 2: 5 - 12	Hebrews 4: 12 - 16	Hebrews 5: 1 - 10	Hebrews 7:L 23 - 28
Gospel	Mark 10: 2 - 16	Mark 10: 17 - 31	Mark 10: 35 - 45	Mark 10: 46 - 52
Reader				
Message				
Young at Heart				
Prayers				
Singer				
Keyboard				
Sunday Space				Communion
Cleaning Crew				
Welcome & Offering				
Notes				Explorers

A thought by Warren

Following Dan's sermon in September I thought we could adopt a new saying

We follow the Jesus Way every day!

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 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.

Church Council discussions

The Church Council will be discussing the above "Who Are We?" as part of its visioning and mission planning. Your input can be made to any of the Church Councillors or to Pastor Dan. You may notice that the statement on the front page of this Bulletin is a little different and the statements on Facebook are also a bit different. We need to align the statements to be consistent.

Dayboro Open Night

The Dayboro shops will be open on Saturday 19 October.

Danny and Carolyn will be away at a pre planned family event so a team will need to take over the organisation for this event.

Mark and Maria will be the coordinators

Some ideas

- + BBQ or Sausage sizzle
- + Open the Church for people to have a look at a 124 year old building
- + Maybe have a welcome pack for visitors
- + Seating available for people to take a break
- * Check with Mark or Maria and listen to church announcements

Blokes Breakfast

The Next breakfast will be on **Saturday 12 October**
from **7.30am to 9.00am** in the church hall

Breakfast will be a general chat between men. This will be followed by a "folk moot" discussion on several topics where we can share or simply listen to the insight and experiences of our friends and brothers along the way.

"Blokes Breakfast" is about building deep and lasting friendships.

For catering purposes please let Mark know.

Cost \$10



Women of Worth

Saturday 26 October 2024 from 8am

Bring a plate to share

Great time of sharing and always plenty of delicious food

Last one for 2024

Explorers

Sunday 27 October 11am to 12.15pm

Followed by lunch at a local restaurant

Explorers is a group that meets to discuss new ideas about Jesus, the way we think about God and how we live a life that makes a difference. The group does not impose its theology or views, but seeks to listen and learn from each other as most people have 60 plus years of life experience.

You are ALL welcome

Contact Joy Salmond for further inspiration.

**Uniting Church Dayboro
Edited Minutes of Annual General Meeting
Held 15 September 2024**

Opened with prayer (Ps Dan)

In Attendance: 31 people Apologies: 2 people

Minutes of previous AGM 16 April 2023 – noted

Business

Paul Inglis as Chair outlined the purpose and plan for the meeting.

Paul advised attendees of the nominations received for Council (Margaret Green, Shirley Coulson and David Windebank) and the notice of ballot in two weeks.

The meeting resolved to have a limit of 11 Councillors plus the Pastor in the next Council and a minimum of 5 Councillors plus the Pastor.

The proposal for the term of office to be set at a maximum of 2 years was not supported. After some concerns were subsequently expressed, the motion was formerly withdrawn and will be taken to the next meeting of Council for further discussion.

Acceptance of 2024 AGM Reports previously tabled.

Matters raised by the congregation after reading the Reports and advice to Council: It was noted that the property report recommendations need further consideration by Council due to insufficient funds currently available to meet building maintenance needs.

Paul Inglis was thanked by all for his outstanding contribution to our Church in the Chair of Council role and for the personal sacrifices he has made during that time.

Notes:

Dan will conduct a paper ballot on Sunday 29 September, fulfilling the two weeks' notice requirement. The ballot will include all of the current Councillors commencing a new term (period to be clarified).

The first meeting of the new Council is set down for 10 November.

On Sunday 6 October the Councillors will be set apart in prayer.

Meeting closed with prayer.

Emergency Fire Procedures:

Mark informed/showed attendees about:

The use, location and associated procedures of dry powder fire extinguishers

+ fire blankets

+ fire exits

+ fire wardens (& coloured helmets)

+evacuation area

+ power board cut off switch and

+ fire brigade calls

Church Council

At the AGM, Danny indicated that he would take on the role as chairperson for the remainder of 2024.

The Church Council will need to elect a chairperson from its membership by 31 December 2024.

The Church Council will also elect other office bearers at its next meeting on 13 October. This includes Deputy Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and other leadership roles as identified by the Council.

Please note that Church Council members are all volunteers.

October Birthdays

16 Carmel Bond

18 Coral Keogh

20 Jeanette Gregory

23 Mary Wyatt

25 Levi Woodrow

29 Scarlett Haak

Do you have something you would like to share with the Church?

The Bulletin may be an avenue to share a thought or idea that will enrich the lives of our members.

Just send an email to the editor and where space permits your insight can be shared.