

## What's on This Week?

### Sunday 16th

9.30am

### Pentecost 23

Worship

Congregational Meeting

### Tuesday 18th

9.00am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open

### Wednesday 19th

9.00am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open  
2pm Red Dove Choir

### Thursday 20th

9.00am - 2.30pm "The Branch" Op Shop is open

### Sunday 23rd Christ the King (Reign of Christ)

9.30am

Worship

1.30pm

Concert

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## For You to Note

**ROB CURREY** - our dear Rob passed away peacefully last Friday morning and her service of thanksgiving is expected to be held here at 2pm this Saturday 22/11/25.

**CHRISTMAS IS COMING** - Everyone is invited to Christmas lunch on Sunday 7 December from 11 am in the hall, after church. Cold meat and salads, pavlova and much else, plus carols and some fun activities. Only \$15, and you can put your name down from next week.

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP CHRISTMAS OUTING** - The Friendship Group invite everyone to join them at Wangi RSL at 12 noon on Tuesday 2 December for a Christmas lunch together..This will be the final get-together for 2025, and everyone is welcome.

**SPRING CONCERT** - Next Sunday 1.30pm here for a great afternoon of entertainment for only \$10. Includes afternoon tea.

### INTERAGENCY NEWS

- Morisset Community Garden now has 28 members with planning workshops for 2026 supported by LMCC sustainability grants and funding provided by Centennial Coal to build accessible wicking beds. Gift it to the Garden campaign is now open for donations of tools (e.g. wheelbarrows, rakes) or gift cards to purchase supplies. On Monday 24th November there will be a Planning Evening with Lochlan from Tree Frog Permaculture. Are you interested?

- Southlakes Anglican Church is hosting a Domestic Violence Remembrance Service featuring guest speakers on Thursday 27th November 9.15am arrival for service beginning at 9.30am. Community members are invited to place a white cross

at the Red Bench in remembrance and awareness.

- Hunter Home Share acts as a connector or matchmaker, pairing homeowners with suitable home seekers. The process involves careful due diligence. Including interviews, police checks, references, and facilitated conversations, followed by ongoing support for both parties. All participants are protected under a Boarding and Lodgings Agreement, tailored on a case-by-case basis. In most arrangements, reduced rent is supplemented by companionship and light household duties, with contributions covering household utilities. This approach ensures no impact to pensions or existing entitlements.

**PRAYER VIGIL** - Members of the Uniting Church community are warmly invited to take part in a Synod Prayer Vigil to pray for the COP 30 (world climate change gathering) in Brazil. Rev Mata Havea Hiliau is hosting a prayer vigil on the evening of Thursday November 20, commencing at 7.00pm at the Auburn Tilba Street church, during the final days of the COP meeting. The service will be live streamed to a number of host congregations across the Synod. Others will be able to view the service in small groups or in their own homes.

**HELP NEEDED** - Our concerts are known for their splendid afternoon teas as well as the items presented. If you can help by bringing a plate next Sunday, please write your name on the list in the foyer so we have an idea of what refreshments will be available.

**T SHIRTS** - They have arrived! And they look fantastic. They are available to all who would like to purchase one at a cost of \$24 each. See Cathie Smythe.

**PRESBYTERY PRAYER DIARY** - Each week, we are asked to pray for a different congregation, and Presbytery has compiled information and a prayer.

### MORISSET

Known as the "Church in the Trees", Morisset Uniting Church seeks to be a space where people can draw near to nature and to God in an accepting community of Christ Jesus.

Although mostly in the retired age bracket, we are actively involved in many church and community activities. We particularly show our heart for others through our Op Shop, High School bursaries, and the Open Kitchen free dinners, but we are on the lookout for new partnerships and ventures.

Sunday Worship at 9.30am is our main gathering point which affirms our attachment to God and who we are as God's people.

### 16<sup>th</sup> November



### PRAYER:

We pray we will recognise how we are to engage with a broader spectrum of people with warmth, generosity, and the good news of Jesus.

## ***Duties for 23rd November - Christ the King (Reign of Christ)***

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| Preacher              | <i>Barbara Dufty</i>                                |
| Bible Reading         | <i>Parris McDougall &amp; Joan Harley</i>           |
| Welcomer              | <i>Bruce &amp; Helen Edgell</i>                     |
| Offering/Banking      | <i>Sue &amp; Phillip Kesterton, Ofa TaPukalanga</i> |
| Prayers of the People | <i>Joe Sloey</i>                                    |
| Morning Tea           | <i>Sue Kesterton &amp; Tina Davies</i>              |

### ***Lectionary Readings for 23rd November***

*Jeremiah 23:1-6      Luke 1:68-79*  
*Colossians 1:11-20      Luke 23:33-43*

### **TORONTO UNITING CHURCH 118 THE BOULEVARDE**

CHRISTMAS MARKETS (All under cover) – Twilight Markets 5-8pm Friday 21st November, then open 9am-1pm Saturday 22nd November. On sale a great variety of Christmas novelties, hand-made goods, jams, pickles, honey, plants etc. Light Refreshments available.

**DIRECT GIVING** - Your offering can be set up to go directly from your bank account into the Church accounts and thus avoid the need to use the envelope system on a Sunday. A direct credit can be set up using the Church's Westpac working account BSB 032-524 Account number 12-1985 or by filling in a form to go to Uniting Financial Services. This form is available from Parriss McDougall.

## ***Connect in Prayer***

- Pray that as we meet for the Congregation Meeting today, we will look to God for his guidance and wisdom in our discussions.
- Ask God to be with Annie Hart and the Red Dove choir as they prepare for next week's concert, and that the afternoon will be a significant time of interaction with the community.
- Pray for the initial contact made with some families who joined us for Grand Day Out. We pray that the word will spread that we welcome all ages here. Ask God for his leading for the Growing Young Team as the members plan more activities for the future.

### ***Submissions to the Newsletter***

Articles for the Weekly Newsletter should be submitted in writing by Wednesday.  
Email: [morissetnews@hunter.uca.org.au](mailto:morissetnews@hunter.uca.org.au)



## **MORISSET UNITING CHURCH**

***"THE CHURCH IN THE TREES"***



## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER** **ISSUE 1435      16th November 2025**

*Welcome to the "Church in the Trees" this morning. If you are a visitor, help us to get acquainted with you by signing the Visitors' Book & staying for a time of fellowship at Morning Tea after Worship. Please also collect our Information Brochure.*

*Children are especially welcome as we share stories and have an activity area at the back of the worship area.*

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Prayer Circle      Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact: Helen Edgell  
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***"Growing in the Spirit, reaching out in love"***