

What's on This Week?

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| Sunday 15th 9.30am | Transfiguration of Jesus Worship |
| Tuesday 17th 9.00am - 2.30pm | "The Branch" Op Shop is open |
| Wednesday 18th 9.00am - 2.30pm | Ash Wednesday "The Branch" Op Shop is open |
| Thursday 19th 9.00am - 2.30pm | "The Branch" Op Shop is open |
| Saturday 21st 8.00am 9.30am | Prayer Breakfast Pastoral Care meeting |
| Sunday 22nd 9.30am | Lent 1 Worship |

For You to Note

PICNIC MORNING IN MARCH - On Tuesday 3rd March the Friendship Group have arranged to hold a picnic in Pendlebury Park, Bonnells Bay. Everyone is welcome to come to the park from 10 am, and if you would like transport, or if you need directions, see one of the Friendship Group. Bring a hat and a folding chair if you have one. Devotions by Rev Nancy.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS

- Kanga Room - The Friendship Group have agreed to spend some of the accumulated funds on air-conditioning the Kanga Room as a matter of priority.
- Wrap With Love - After many years, Val Sloey has stepped down from managing this project, and Pat Coster has taken over the role. The May meeting will have a special focus on Wrap with Love.
- Kitchen Coordinator - Elizabeth Chapman will see that kitchen needs are kept supplied and up to date, so please write on the whiteboard in the kitchen if you notice supplies running low on essential ingredients such as tea, paper towels, cleaning supplies, etc.

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP - Meets at 2 pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month. In March the group will be starting a new study on the book of Esther in the Old Testament. Let Nancy know if you are interested.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be held at the SDA church (Memorial) in Coorabong on Friday 6th March, with the service starting at 10am followed by morning tea. Entrance from the rear of the church (not the front steps) or disability access is from the side carpark. The country this year is Nigeria. We will be hosts next year.

FUNERAL TOMORROW - Rev Dr Kenneth Brown will be conducting the funeral of Reg Gambrell here tomorrow at 12.00pm. Reggie was known to many as quite a local identity as the Morisset postie for many years.

THANK YOU - to all who worked to burn off the many piles of vegetal rubbish around the grounds. What a great job Mark, Bob, Winston and Dylan.

PALM SUNDAY - Our next big event is PALM SUNDAY 29th March 2026 with celebration, fun and games for all ages as we think of Jesus riding a donkey into Jerusalem.

CONGREGATION MEETING - Next meeting is to be held on March 1. All welcome to attend. If you have anything for the agenda please inform Cathie or Parriss before then.

PRAYER BREAKFAST - Saturday, 21 February, 8am in the hall. Everyone is welcome. Please add your name to the sign-on sheet in the foyer. Donation of \$3 per person to help cover cost of catering. Please join us!

NOTES FROM CHURCH COUNCIL

- Thankful for Helen Edgell's repair of the flag.
- Bruce Edgell resigned as Secretary so a new secretary is needed.
- It was noted that the air hockey table was not working (It has since been fixed by Winston).
- Air Conditioning to be considered for the KangaRoom.
- Op Shop needs more staff so advertising has been happening.
- First Aid Kits are to be made available in the hall, Greivillea Room and the KangaRoom.
- ongoing water leaks in the church foyer may require new roofing.
- church organ needs to be replaced.

RECYCLING - remember that used eye glasses, stamps, dental items, and blister packs can be left in relevant containers in the foyer for re-use and recycling.

SATURDAY SONG SOIREE - 21ST FEB

Roger Alcorn recently received a large selection of songs from a country relative, and has found some which he enjoyed singing in the past, as well as numerous others whose tunes he recognized, but had never sung. He wondered how many other people would also enjoy listening to these songs.

Roger is organizing a "Saturday Song Soiree" at his home at 15 Dewrang Cres., Toronto (off the southern end of Brighton Ave), at 2pm on Saturday 21st February, with songs including Sacred songs and Gospel choruses, Operetta, Gilbert & Sullivan, musicals, films, Australian, Negro Spirituals, traditional English, popular, fun and a few children's.

Duties for 22nd February - Lent 1

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| Preacher | <i>Malchus Brawn</i> |
| Bible Reading | <i>Sue & Phillip Kesterton</i> |
| Welcomer | <i>Dylan Hartley</i> |
| Offering/Banking | <i>Geoff Beesley & Winston James</i> |
| Prayers of the People | <i>Joe Sloey</i> |
| Morning Tea | <i>Dianne J, Kathy B & Colleen Maier</i> |

Lectionary Readings for 22nd February

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 Psalm 32
Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11

If you are interested in attending, or have any questions, please contact Roger by email (alcornau@optusnet.com.au), or a short message on 0432 799 297.

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

- As the season of Lent begins, we pray for the work of Lent Event, helping communities in the Pacific and Asia fight poverty, build food security and safeguard lives.
- As the many groups which use our church facilities are now in place for the year, give thanks for the space we are able to offer them, and pray that those who come into our spaces will feel welcome, and that we may find ways to connect at a deeper level.
- This Tuesday is Random Acts of Kindness Day. As we commemorate this day and following the example of Jesus who was kind and generous, do something out of the ordinary for someone on that day. Commit that person and their family to prayer.

Submissions to the Newsletter

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



MORISSET UNITING CHURCH

"THE CHURCH IN THE TREES"



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER **ISSUE 1444 15th February 2026**

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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