

What's on This Week?

Sunday 26th	Easter 4
9.30am	Worship
Tuesday 28th	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
2.00pm	Bible Fellowship
Wednesday 29th	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
Thursday 30th	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
Sunday 3rd	Easter 5
9.30am	Worship

For You to Note

AUTUMN CONCERT 2026 - Sunday 24 MAY 1:30 pm – followed by afternoon Tea
MARIE DAY - the Memorial Service for Marie Day will be held on Wednesday 29th April 2026 here at Morisset Uniting Church, led by Rev Nancy Brawn. Live Streaming will be available. See Phill or Nancy for details. A light lunch of vegetarian food will follow catered for by The Munchery.

MARIE DAY'S FUNERAL - FLOWERS - Elaine Kingston is looking for fresh flowers for the church for Marie's funeral. The flowers will be arranged on Tuesday afternoon. Contact Elaine if you have flowers to share. Small flowers for the tables for the afternoon tea would be helpful.

DATES FOR MAY:

Sunday 3rd - Barbecue lunch, featuring Rev Nancy telling us her life story
Sunday 10th - Mothers Day
Sunday 17th - Worship Service recognising volunteers, with special morning tea
Sunday 24th - Pentecost, then church concert in the afternoon
Sunday 31st - Congregational meeting after church
Tuesday 5th - 10 am Friendship Group "Wrap With Love" morning
Tuesday 12th and 26th - 2 pm Bible Fellowship
Thursday 14th and 28th - 6 pm Open Kitchen
Thursday 28th - 2 pm Church Council
Saturday 23rd - 8 am Prayer Breakfast, 9.30 am Pastoral Care meeting

CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES -

- Following up with quotes to fix the leak in the roof over the foyer
- A special service to acknowledge volunteers will be held on 17th May

- The budget for the 2026-27 financial year is being prepared and will be presented to the congregation at a later date
- Unfortunately our application for a grant to extend the op shop has not been successful
- A letter will be sent to all hirers and users of the premises regarding the use and misuse of church property. This is in response to a number of issues including broken implements, items "borrowed" and not returned, and lights or taps not being switched off.
- Our mission plan needs to be updated and there will be a process implemented to do that

VOLUNTEER WEEK SERVICE - National Volunteer Week runs from 18th - 24th May 2026 so we will be acknowledging and celebrating volunteers on Sunday 17th May. If you are a volunteer please bring along something that represents what you do for a display and conversation starter. For example if you volunteer in the op shop you might bring in something from there. Please invite other volunteers you know along for the service and special morning tea.

BUDGET ITEMS - Our Treasurer is drafting a budget for 2026-27. If you have ideas for increasing our income (remembering that we are currently operating on a significant deficit), or if you have suggestions for items you think should be included, speak to Parriss or one of the Church Council members.

THANK YOU - to Roger Hester and BobStarling who have creatively and successfully re-felted the pool table. New tips have also been added to the pool cues. The table is ready to use again, with supervision for little kids.

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

BRUNKERVILLE

APRIL 26TH

Brunkerville Uniting Church held it's first service in this place on 28th October 1888.

As a Wesleyan/Methodist/Uniting congregation we celebrate our long continuous service.

We meet at 10.30am on the 1st and 3rd Sundays, followed by fellowship and sharing a joyful lunch.

The church and cemetery continue to be maintained by the congregation and friends, as has been done since 1888.

Our ukulele group, mostly church members, meets weekly. We take part in services from time to time, and also present monthly concerts at 2 Care Homes in Cessnock .

Our worship centre brings meaningful comfort and Gods presence to all who gather here.



PRAYER:

We pray for all members of Brunkerville congregation, as they care for each other, welcome visitors and lovingly maintain the church and cemetery.

We pray that our church family continues to be welcoming to the community and visitors to this place.

Amen

Duties for 3rd May - Easter 5

Preacher	Nancy Brawn
Bible Reading	Barbara Dufty & Roger Hester
Welcomer	Joe Sloey
Offering/Banking	Helen Edgell & Ian Maier
Prayers of the People	Pat Coster
Morning Tea	Dianne J & Leanne Koenen
Communion Servers	Jan Miller & Bruce Edgell

Lectionary Readings for 3rd May

Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14

BARBECUE LUNCH - following morning tea on Sunday 3rd May. Everyone welcome for a sausage sizzle and sweets, cost \$5 (children free). Special feature is Rev Nancy's Life Story! This arose from the Friendship Group meetings, which from time to time ask one of their members to give a brief history of their life, as we learn more about each other. The group asked Nancy if she would share her story with the rest of the congregation, over lunch on Sunday 3rd May.

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

- We remember those fallen in war, and those still suffering from injuries both physical and mental, that they may be healed in body and in spirit.
- Pray for innocent victims of war that God's mercy will find a way to ease their afflictions. - Give thanks for our Christian chaplains working with our defence men and women in Australia. Ask for words of comfort and assurance for them as they minister to their needs.

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 1454 26th April 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.

Minister **Rev Nancy Brawn**
Ph: 0412 829 667
nrbrawn@gmail.com

Service 9:30am Sunday
Church Ph: 0249 735554
PO Box 533, Morisset, NSW 2264
www.morissetunitingchurch.org.au
Facebook: churchinthetreesmorissetuniting

Op Shop Ph: 0249 735967

Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact: Helen Edgell
Ph: 49705359 or Mb: 0400 460770

"Growing in the Spirit, reaching out in love"