

What's on This Week?

Sunday 27th	Pentecost 18
9.30am	Worship
Tuesday 29th	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
Wednesday 30th	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
Thursday 1st	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
10.00am	Bayside Service
Sunday 4th	Pentecost 19
9.30am	Worship

For You to Note

PICNIC MORNING - 10 am Tuesday 6 October at Pendlebury Park, Bonnells Bay. The Friendship Group invites everyone to come along, wear a hat, bring a folding chair if you have one. Morning tea supplied.

WELCOME REV MATA - we especially welcome our NSW/ACT Moderator, Rev Mata Havea Hiliau, to this service today and look forward to her preaching and sharing with us. We also welcome others who have accompanied her or come for this occasion.

URGENT PASTORAL NEEDS - while Rev Nancy is on Leave, if there is an urgent need for Pastoral Care from a Minister please contact Rev Allison Forrest from Toronto Uniting Church on 0472 618 784. Otherwise contact one of our Church Councillors or Pastoral Care Team. Nancy will be travelling with Malchus and Dylan to Carbrook near Brisbane to visit her 97 year old mother, and other family nearby. Although returning for various appointments and Dylan's schooling, Nancy will not be returning to work until 27th October for the special Frontier Services service with the Seaman's. We are asked to continue to care for one another and share God's love with all.

DAYLIGHT SAVING - starts next weekend!

THANK YOU to all who helped make the Seniors Expo as good as it was last Friday. Many good conversations were had, and there was a positive atmosphere. The CALM (Community Activities Lake Macquarie) did well to make it happen with less load on our congregation.

CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES FROM SEPTEMBER MEETING -

- As the Treasurer is moving over to a new system, revised details for direct debit will be included in the newsletter
- Due to a delay in getting the surveys, the NCLS (National Church Life Survey) will be held in November
- Rev Nancy and family will be on leave for three weeks from this Monday
- Approval was given to accept re-cycled milk bottle tops to support "Wheelchairs for Kids"
- Quotes are being obtained for gutter cleaning, and for removal of a dead tree branch
- Mark Seaman has been appointed Assistant Treasurer

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



NEW LAMBTON SEPTEMBER 27TH

NEW LAMBTON Uniting Church meets twice on Sundays: intergenerational worship at 9.15, (50 attending, ages 2 to 95), then New City at 11.15am, a more informal service (25 attending), including many young families, with a shared morning tea. Kids Club, and Youth Group are held on alternate Friday nights, plus Faith@5, intergenerational worship held twice monthly on Saturday nights, in conjunction with Jesmond Park UC, followed by a shared dinner. We were blessed by the confirmation of 6 of our Youth Group members last year. We are working to form strong bonds with our local playgroup, and we engage with the wider community through our craft group, by providing homemade morning tea items for Ronald McDonald House, through a work team which assists locals to get on top of home maintenance. We are working to make our church grounds a more friendly and inviting place for all.

PRAYER:

We pray for openness and grace as members of our 2 services form bonds to become one congregation.
For Kids Club and Youth Group to bring spiritual and emotional growth, and to energise their leaders.
For our community initiatives to be a blessing to all.

DATES TO NOTE:

Rev Nancy on leave from 28th Sept
Friendship Group - 10 am Tues 6th Oct, picnic at Pendlebury Park, Bonnells Bay
Bayside Service - 10 am Thursday 1st and 8th October
Open Kitchen - 6 pm 8th and 22nd October
Bible Fellowship - 2 pm Tuesday 13th and 27th October
Frontier Services special service - Sunday 25th October
Retired Ministers Lunch - 10 am Wednesday 28th October
Toy Library - 2 pm Saturday 31st October

COMMISSIONING OF RICHARD MOORS - Richard Moors has been working in the Hunter Presbytery since 1 May 2025 as our Children and Family Ministry

Duties for 4th October - Pentecost 19

Preacher	Barbara Dufty & Bruce Edgell
Bible Reading	Roger Hester & Priscilla Hester
Welcomer	Pat Coster
Offering/Banking	Winston James & Ofa Ta Pukalanga
Prayers of the People	Parris McDougall
Morning Tea	Dianne James & Colleen Maier
Communion Servers	Winston James & Ian Maier

Lectionary Readings for 4th October

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19
Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46

Consultant and has been very involved with the new initiatives here at Morisset. Richard has now completed the necessary steps towards becoming a Pastor and has been employed in our new Northern Presbytery as the Next Generations Pastor working 20% in the Sydney Central Coast Presbytery area and 80% in the Hunter region. His Commissioning will be held on Friday 16th October at 7pm at Toronto Uniting Church to which all are invited. RSVP to torontouniting@bigpond.com or leave a message on ph. 49504077.

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

A prayer for the Moderator:

Gracious and Loving God, we give you thanks for the gift of leadership you have entrusted to our Moderator, Rev Mata. Thank you for her heart for your people, her courage to speak truth with grace, and her faithfulness in following the way of Jesus. Bless and prosper all the works of the Uniting Church, so that your voice may be heard throughout this land, and your mission of justice and peace will be accomplished.

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 1476 27th September 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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Prayer Circle Prayer support for all needs for both congregation and beyond. Contact: Helen Edgell
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