

What's on This Week?

Sunday 4th

9.30am

Pentecost 19

Worship

Tuesday 6th

9.00am - 2.30pm

"The Branch" Op Shop is open

10.00am

Friendship Group Picnic

Wednesday 7th

9.00am - 2.30pm

"The Branch" Op Shop is open

Thursday 8th

9.00am - 2.30pm

"The Branch" Op Shop is open

10.00am

Bayside Service

6.00pm

Open Kitchen

Sunday 11th

9.30am

Pentecost 20

Worship

For You to Note

PICNIC MORNING - The weather is predicted to be perfect for a picnic this Tuesday from 10 am at Pendlebury Park, Bonnells Bay. The Friendship Group invites everyone to come along, wear a hat, bring a folding chair if you have one (but not essential). Morning tea supplied.

THE BLACK DOG INSTITUTE - Walking in Faith: Because YOU matter Jordana Locke (niece of John Ward) will be walking again this year with the Black Dog Institute, raising awareness for mental health and wanting every person to know they are seen, heard, matter, belong and are welcome exactly as they are. Support My Walk for Mental Health Research at: www.onefootforward.org.au/fundraisers/jordanalocke/one-foot-forward-2026

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.

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 is on leave for three weeks from Monday 28th Sept
- 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.



NORTH LAKE MACQUARIE 4TH OCTOBER

North Lake Macquarie

Uniting Church is a vibrant, inclusive community dedicated to nurturing spiritual growth and deep local connection. We worship every Sunday at Warners Bay (9:00 am) and Boolaroo (10:30 am), with an invitational culture that welcomes newcomers, through twice-yearly Back to Church Sundays featuring outreach & community brunches. We are a church in motion, with a Missional Dreaming Group and Growing Young program. Our community spirit extends through unique partnerships with the Newcastle Birth Movement and Soulsong Community Choirs, alongside a dedicated Spirituality Centre for reflection. We offer space for study, pastoral support, worship and group work. There are Bible studies and an emerging spiritual bookclub, the 'Hand of Friendship' and 'Women on the 4th' groups along with regular coffee mornings, and even a table tennis social league!

PRAYER:



Gracious God, we offer to you the year ahead at North Lake Macquarie Uniting Church, seeking your presence in our gatherings at Warners Bay and Boolaroo. We lay before you our missional dreaming and deep desire to grow young, asking that you open our hearts to the energy and hope of new generations. May we be a people of authentic invitation and radical hospitality. May we nurture a culture where every newcomer finds a place at the table and every long-standing friendship is a witness to your grace. In all our hopes and in every season of the future, keep us faithful to your call to be a community of Christ's love here in this place. Amen.

DATES TO NOTE:

Friendship Group - 10 am Tues 6th Oct, picnic at Pendlebury Park, Bonnells Bay
Bayside Service - 10 am Thursday 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

Duties for 11th October - Pentecost 20

Preacher	Roger Hester
Bible Reading	Bob Starling & Margaret Arbon
Welcomer	Phillip Kesterton
Offering/Banking	Bob Starling & Ian Maier
Prayers of the People	Bruce Edgell
Morning Tea	Sue Kesterton & Simone Jacups

Lectionary Readings for 11th October

Exodus 32:1-14	Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23
Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1-14

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

Pray for joy throughout October.

"The joy of the Lord is your strength." Nehemiah 8:10

Lord fill my heart with everlasting joy throughout October. Help me to focus on your blessings and find reasons to be thankful each day.

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

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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"