What's on This Week?

Sunday 1st	**All Saints' Day**
9.30am	Worship
Tuesday 3rd	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
10.00am	Friendship Group
Wednesday 4th	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
Thursday 5th	
9.00am - 2.30pm	"The Branch" Op Shop is open
10.00am	Bayside Service
Sunday 8th	**Pentecost 24**
9.30am	Worship

For You to Note

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - Meetings are held quarterly, and the last meeting for 2026 will be held on Sunday 15 November commencing 11 am in the hall. If you have any items for the agenda please see Barbara Dufty.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP meeting this Tuesday 3 November - 10 am at Barbara Dufty's home, 5A Macquarie Road, Morisset Park. Everybody is welcome. It is Melbourne Cup Day, so wear a hat – men included!

THANK YOU - The Retired Ministers and Spouses Lunch last week was attended by 26 retirees, and was very much appreciated. A big thank you to all those who worked flat out in the kitchen all morning, and to the cooks for providing a delicious meal. There was an atmosphere of happy fellowship throughout the morning.

CONDOLENCES: - Our deepest sympathy is with Rev Nancy and her family at this time of loss. Nancy's mother passed away last week, and Nancy will be returning to Brisbane this week to conduct the funeral. We offer her our prayers and sincere condolences.

UNITING WORLD, EVERYTHING IN COMMON
Uniting World has launched their Everything in Common Christmas Gift Project which will operate through Advent. Take a look at how you can contribute to assist others to have better access to everyday living needs such as clean drinking water, sending children to school, earning an income to provide for incomes in the Pacific, Asia and Africa. Catalogues are on the foyer table. Let us give generously as a church to this worthwhile project.

JOE AND VAL SLOEY are now both in residential care, in a room together, at Evergreen Lodge, West Gosford.

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

SINGLETON-BRANXTON
NOVEMBER 1ST





We are a small congregation with 3 preaching centres providing alternative services - a traditional service, a café church and a more contemporary service followed by a meal.
With mostly older members and a few young families, we are praying for growth, so it is good news that there will be 3 baptisms in Branxton and we have had 2 in Singleton!
Branxton has a Messy Church Program, happening 8 times this year usually with 10 children.
Rev Neil Smith provides services on a monthly basis, in addition to his incredible musical talents as well as pastoral Care. Café Church and Branxton are lay led.
Singleton has Women's fellowship twice monthly (meeting and lunch) and Craft twice monthly. There is a weekly prayer group that is part of the ecumenical community in both Singleton and Branxton.
The Branxton "Women's Shed" is twice weekly for women of all ages across the community. Attendance is strong and we have been very blessed by donations that ensure we can keep on going. One big project has been the making of "Boomerang Bags" for the local IGA - our contribution towards using less plastic. We are looking for ways to have an impact in the Huntlee community as it grows larger.

PRAYER:

We pray for continued blessings on these endeavours and on our members both in the Hunter Valley and across the wider presbytery.

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 account:
Name: Morisset Uniting Church Working Account
BSB: 634634 Account: 100103705
or by filling in a form to go to Uniting Financial Services. This form is available from Parriss McDougall.

Duties for 8th November - Pentecost 24

Preacher	*Nancy Brawn*
Bible Reading	*Priscilla Hester & Roger Hester*
Welcomer	*Luna Buckley*
Offering/Banking	*Ofa TaPukalanga & Winston James*
Prayers of the People	*Helen Edgell*
Morning Tea	*Cathie Smythe & Sharon Seamen*

Lectionary Readings for 8th November

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 *Psalm 78:1-7*
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 *Matthew 25:1-13*

Connect in Prayer

On this day of "All Saints", we remember the faithful disciples, those known and unknown, who went before us, who loved with courage, and who served with joy. May their example inspire us to live with compassion, to seek justice with humility, and to shine Your light in the world. We think of those we have loved and lost, those who have gone before. Give thanks to God for their lives and examples of Christian witness and faith. Grant us the grace to follow you faithfully, until we join the great communion of saints in your eternal presence. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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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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

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