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Once again,
Spring has sprung –
photos of local
signs of new life



A Blessing for the Season of Creation (by Jessica Morthorpe)

As we gather in this season, may our eyes be open for God's face shining through creation, and our ears be open to the words of creation's songs of praise.

May we worship among the wattle in a cathedral of the sky.

May the scent of eucalypt and petrichor be our incense.

May the rhythms of our liturgy be breath and wind and wave.

May the bees give their sermons, and the birds their wisdom.

May ripples and dandelion seeds carry our prayers to the ears of God.

May the freedom from walls widen our hearts and fill them with compassion.

And may we find peace in celebrating the rituals of time, season and growth.

May this be for us a sacred time to remember God's first gift to us, and our first responsibility – to love and care for creation.

Amen.



Garden of Peace
Isaiah 32:14-18

**PEACE
WITH CREATION**
SEASON OF CREATION 2025

The Season of Creation takes place from 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) under the 2025 international theme, 'Peace with creation'. The symbol, 'Garden of Peace', is inspired by Isaiah 32:14-18 and envisions a war-torn, overexploited land transformed into one that is fertile and thriving. "There is hope for a peaceful Earth," reads the introduction to the [2025 Season of Creation resource](#). "Biblically, hope is active – it involves prayer, action, and reconciling with Creation and the Creator through repentance (metanoia) and solidarity."

"Creation is God's sacred gift, entrusted to our care. Christians are called to protect and nurture Creation in peace, working in partnership with others and passing this responsibility on to future generations. Its deep interconnectedness makes peace both essential and fragile."

"Only through reconciliation with and genuine justice for all living beings will creation find peace, fulfilling Isaiah's vision (32:14-18). May the Spirit be poured upon us so we can work together for peace with creation."

Uniting Church resources for the Season of Creation may be found on the following website
www.uniting.church/season-of-creation-2025/

REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY Readings Year C

After Pentecost

A period of time that varies in length depending on whether Easter is early or late. In this period, the Church recalls its faith in the Holy Trinity. It seeks to relate its faith as a people of God to Christ's mission in the world. It commences with Trinity Sunday and concludes with the feast of Christ the King.

Date	Day/Season	Col	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
7 Sep	Pent 13 (23)	G	Jeremiah 18:1-11	139:1-6, 13-18	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:25-33
14 Sep	Pent 14 (24)	G	Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28	14	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
21 Sep	Pent 15 (25)	G	Jeremiah 8:18 to 9:1	79:1-9	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 16:1-13
28 Sep	Pent 16 (26)	G	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15	91:1-6, 14-16	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-31
5 Oct	Pent 17 (27)	G	Lamentations 1:1-6	Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137	2 Timothy 1:1-14	Luke 17:5-10

Colours: P – Purple W – White G – Green R – Red B – Black

Season of Creation is from 1st September to 4th October; Resources for Season of Creation can be found here: <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

The Revised Common Lectionary is available from the UC Assembly Resourcing Unit. A link to the publication is available below (or you can search for it online using "calendar and lectionary 2025") <https://uniting.church/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/Lectionary-YrC-2025-1.pdf>

FROM ROMSEY – A NEW HOME FOR OUR ORGAN

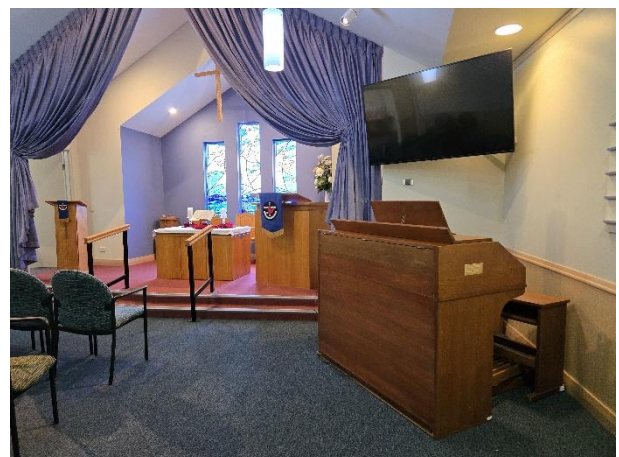
Further to an article in the February PiP which described the situation when the Romsey organ took up smoking, after the Partnership Service in December last year, and was banished outside.

The organ sat on the hall veranda for several months wrapped in a tarp while its future was decided. As Romsey did not have an organist to make use of it during services, the cost of repair and the annual cost of servicing could not be justified, the congregation was looking to rehome it somehow.

John J Williams, father of Romsey congregation member, Jay Brooks, is a resident of Uniting AgeWell Strathdon Community in Forest Hill, and has been looking for some time to source a replacement organ for their chapel. Together they took on the challenge finding out if it was repairable, having it repaired then transporting it to Strathdon.

After sourcing parts from the USA, it was able to be repaired and was installed in the Strathdon Chapel a few weeks ago. It has already been used for worship and a recital. May it provide many years of enjoyment for the residents.

Jay Brooks



WELCOME TO COUNTRY SUPPORTED BY UNITING CHURCH

Uniting Church President Rev Charissa Suli issued a statement supporting Welcome to Country after it became a matter of public debate in the media. She wrote:

"The Uniting Church in Australia stands in complete solidarity with First Nations peoples and honours the Elders who continue to offer Welcome to their ancestral Country with extraordinary generosity, even when their grace is met with disrespect and racism.

Welcome to Country is not a courtesy or a formality. It is a sacred act that affirms the sovereignty, cultures, and dignity of First Peoples. With roots in the ancient customs of First Peoples who welcomed visitors onto their lands to ensure safe passage and a peaceful relationship, today it remains a gift that invites all who gather to walk humbly and respectfully.

Aunty Alison Overeem, proud Palawa woman from South-East Tasmania and First Nations elder in the Uniting Church, describes the Welcome to Country with these words of grace:

"Welcoming people into and on country is about welcoming all into a woven shared story. It's a welcome to all the stories that connect us. It's empowering for all to be welcomed into the stories of the land, which centre us in our call to creation, to relationship, to solidarity. It's not for division. It's a call to a shared vision."

As a Pacific daughter, I know that land is not merely land — it is family, life itself. First Peoples have cherished this sacred connection since time beyond memory.

Whenever the profound meaning of these ancient cultural and spiritual customs is diminished, whether through ignorance, fear or public debate, a wound is reopened in the heart of this land. We lose something vital within our own spirit. As an ancient call to relationship and shared responsibility, to dismiss it is to turn away from the truth that could heal us.

As a Church that has formally recognised the sovereignty of First Peoples and entered covenant with the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress, we are clear.

These sacred and ancient practices must be upheld and honoured. Every act of interruption, silencing and disrespect deepens the daily experience of spiritual and cultural unsafety for First Peoples on their own lands.

We give thanks for the steadfast courage of First Nations Elders, who continue to lead with wisdom, grace, and generosity.

We call on the Australian community, including our national leaders, to honour and uphold Welcome to Country with the seriousness and respect it deserves.

May we be a people who receive the hand of welcome with humility and gratitude.

The Uniting Church will continue to listen deeply, walk faithfully, and stand in covenant with First Peoples in the ongoing work of justice, healing and hope."

From "JustAct" UCA JIM Cluster June 2025

A NOTE FROM MEG: Where an appropriate Member of Country is not present to perform a Welcome to Country Ceremony, we use an Acknowledgement of Country as a response to our Covenant with the UAICC.

Betty Ward has moved from Woodend Bupa to Respect (Ray M Begg) in Kyneton during August. Apparently there was great excitement as she met up with members of the church family that are residents there. Welcome back to Kyneton, Betty.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
LY- service led by Rev Linda Young AB – service led by Pastor Annette Buckley	4pm Meditation Romsey		9.30-1pm White Goose Riddells Creek 2.30pm FC Woodend	2pm Romsey coffee	10am Prayers at Gisborne	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Pentecost 13 9.30am Worship services at Gisborne (AB), Kyneton, Tylden, Romsey; no streaming	4pm Meditation Romsey	10am Gisborne mid-week worship	9.30-1pm White Goose Riddells Creek 2.30pm FC Woodend	2pm Romsey coffee	10am Prayers at Gisborne 6.30pm Fish & Chips Worship Kyneton 7pm Simba Sessions	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Pentecost 14 9.30am Worship streamed from Tylden led by LY, Services at Gisborne, Romsey	4pm Meditation Romsey		9.30-1pm White Goose Riddells Creek 10am Min's Munchies 1.30pm Tylden Chat'n'Snack 2.30pm FC Woodend	2pm Romsey coffee	10am Prayers at Gisborne	*PiP articles due tomorrow
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Pentecost 15 9.30am Worship services at Kyneton (AB), Tylden, Gisborne, Romsey (no streaming)	4pm Meditation Romsey		9.30-1pm White Goose Riddells Creek 2.30pm FC Woodend	2pm Romsey coffee	10am Prayers at Gisborne 6.30pm Fish & Chips Worship Kyneton	
28	29	30	<h1>September 2025</h1>			
Pentecost 16 9.30am services at Sutton Grange (LY), Romsey, Gisborne, Tylden.	4pm Meditation Romsey					





UNITING FAITH & FAMILIES

all-age CAMP

camp speaker
PRESIDENT CHARISSA SULI

Whether your family is just you, or you are a mob of 8, this weekend is for all people to connect and have fun.

- OCTOBER 10 - 12, 2025
- ADEKATE LODGE, CRESWICK VIC
- CABIN ACCOMMODATION

Come ready for a weekend of Dual Zipline Racing, the Giant Sling Shot, Leap of Faith, Milkcrate Stacking, campfires and so much more. We will be exploring the theme of 'Weaving Threads of Inclusion' with Uniting Church President, Rev Charissa Suli.



BYO Musical instruments & bedding.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 21 SEPT

cost information

Our aim is to have an amazing and affordable weekend for all people. The prices below are for the whole weekend:

Individual	\$80
Under 16's	\$40
Under 3's	free
Family package	\$200

and
A contribution of food for our shared meals.

Spaces are limited - registrations essential.

REGISTER HERE [HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/XXCKSLKPVGH555ZZ8](https://forms.gle/XXCKSLKPVGH555ZZ8)

weekend full of activities suitable for all-ages





For more information, follow the registration link or contact Rev Jeanne Beale (Deacon) at 0432 284 279 or revjbeale@gmail.com

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YOU ARE INVITED
TO
CLIMATE CHAMPIONS AFTERNOON TEA
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH AT 2 PM

WESLEY UNITING CHURCH GEELONG, 100 YARRA STREET
GEELONG



We will enjoy being together and sharing.

Activities include writing letters about climate change concerns, and you will be making beeswax wraps to take home and use.

Bring any books on climate issues that you would like to share

And

Bring along your friends

RSVP: RICHARD ARNOLD Email richarn50@gmail.com Mobile 0407796429
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The Simba Sessions

Join us this month on 12th September to see Madeliene Cope, Luke Howard & Tony Blaine, sharing poetry, music and story.

You can get tickets online through the facebook page, or purchase on the night at the door.

If you want a taste of what happens at The Simba Sessions – have a look at their Facebook page available here:

<https://www.facebook.com/thesimbasessions/>



Kyneton Daffodil and Arts Festival: After last Friday night's Fish and Chips service the Kyneton congregation put their heads together to create a scarecrow for the Scarecrow Trail during the Daffodil Festival. The theme this year is "Fields of gold", and we wanted a social justice theme. ChatGPT came up with some interesting suggestions and we decided to have our scarecrow (yet to be named) dressed half in finery and half as a peasant. The half with plenty is offering food/goods to the half with little. It is holding a banner saying "Enough for all if we share". We were able to source clothing from the Op Shops in Kyneton and Woodend, with other bits and pieces coming from various members. Please come and look at the scarecrows on the church property (Op Shop and Playgroup may also have entries) and cast your votes!!



MEG'S JOURNEY TO ORDINATION AND BEYOND:

As a Sunday School child, I thought I might be a Deaconess one day, but one visited our church and she wore an dreadful brown uniform (or was that the motherhood nurse that visited after my sister was born?) Anyway I quickly abandoned that idea! My other childhood idea was to work with Aboriginal people (as I knew them then) but they lived faaar away, so I abandoned that idea too.

Where did those childhood 'thoughts' come from I often wondered?

So on with my Early Childhood Teacher education, 3 yrs bond to be worked out to the Vic Govt for a studentship and off to PNG with Australian Volunteers Abroad (now AV International) for 2 years. At the end of those two years, I applied for several positions but the one that followed through was a teaching position with the Presbyterian Board of Missions' community of Aurukun on the west coast of Cape York Peninsula. And there I spent the next 13 years learning. Learning about life, language, and culture. Growing up, maturing as a person and learning about spirituality and faith. Another seven years in and out of other communities of the Cape working for the Education Department as a consultant and eventually the School of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies at Cairns TAFE as an Early Childhood Educator training these First Nation peoples to work as teachers in their own communities.

That time living in Cairns meant a return not only to mainstream society but a return to the mainstream church of my youth and young adult life. Neither sat comfortably nor easily with my soul. I was now worshipping in the new UCA. Several years later I was challenged by my minister at the time to candidate as a Deaconess. Not only did I dismiss it altogether but several months later I denied he had ever challenged me!



Rev Deacon Meg Evans has been ordained for 30 years. This was celebrated at PiC last month –with PPPW chairperson Lisa Carey.

However here were other witnesses, and others both Ministers and lay people who encouraged (pushed) me as well. And so as the saying goes, 'I went kicking and screaming' to candidate for the now distinct UCA Ministry of Deacon. It wasn't until the evening of my Synod Interview that I really felt this was God's call on my life and this was what I really wanted to do! And so began a return to tertiary education in my late 40's, a move to Brisbane and ordination four years later.

My exit placement was to the Central Qld town of Blackwater (Backwater as some friends referred to it) with worship centres at Duaringa and Dingo. Blackwater, a cattle-grazing and coal mining township is west of Rockhampton on the Capricorn highway enroute to Emerald and Longreach. I think I spent the first six months saying: 'they didn't teach us about this at College'. At my interview I was asked that if my focus was going to be on the community who would look after the congregation? My reply "we will look after each other". Little did I realise how prophetic those words would be. Within three months my Dad died in Melbourne. After 3 weeks I returned to learn that the mother of one of the key leaders close to death in Rocky Hospital. Care for each other we did; all through the 3 years I was there, including the death of the teenage son of a church family, a mine accident and the then longest mine strike; with miners, blue collar workers and management in the Blackwater congregation. By the grace of God we all survived and remain friends today.

Three years later one Tuesday afternoon I received a call from the UAICC (Congress) calling me to minister with their Zillmere Congregation across the northern suburbs of Brisbane. I cried for 3 days.

I wanted to work with Congress. I didn't want to leave the people of Blackwater. But move I did. I learned much, growing to understand ever so slightly, some of the pain of multi losses of urban First Nation people. I also learnt what it felt like be abused for

the colour of my skin, to be called a “f***ing white bastard” but also the joy of being accepted for who I was not the colour of my skin nor my privileged education.

I had been on the Board of Frontier Service for a number of years and saw the proposal for the development of a second Patrol in Tasmania (the first being the long-standing West Coast Patrol based in Queenstown) Someone said ‘You could set up the new patrol Meg!’ I thought they were joking! But off I went after some 25 years in the warmth of PNG and Qld to the Midlands of Tasmania, where I stayed just over 10 years. Only to find that some of the coldest places in the state were within the Patrol area! What a rich and varied placement that was: small communities, large properties, prime merino sheep and grazing cattle, droughts and flooding rains, wool festivals, sheep and cattle sales, agricultural shows, get-togethers for every imaginable reason; property, hospital and residential care visits, weddings, baptisms, and far too many funerals and of course weekly worship somewhere across the Patrol. What enjoyable ways to meet, and connect with a wonderful variety of humanity, occupations and activities. What a privilege to meet and minister in such a variety of places and situations. We grew together through the good times and the oh so tough times. We learned to recognise God with us - always.

And so to retirement in Victoria; midway between 3 of my families, my own small unit, not a rambling manse, time for exploring my home state of Victoria, bird watching, reading, visiting friends interstate, reconnecting with the wider family; and my tribe - the diaconate, and a Deacon here in placement! The beginning of six years as a Minister in Association with the Macedon Ranges Partnership Ministry team and retirement again!

Now I’m an ordinary congregation member, and it’s good.



From Gisborne’s newsletter last week, I followed the links to the original blessing, written for and spoken by a Benedictine nun, Sister Ruth Marlene Fox, OSB. In the current With Love to the World (Vol 17, No. 12), it is reproduced as a Franciscan Blessing, for the Season of Creation.

A NON-TRADITIONAL BLESSING

May God bless you with **discontent** with easy answers, half-truths, superficial relationships, so that you will live from deep within your heart.

May God bless you with **anger** at injustice, oppression, abuse, and exploitation of people, so that you will work for justice, equality, and peace.

May God bless you with **tears** to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that you will reach out your hand to comfort them and to change their pain to joy.

May God bless you with the **foolishness** to think you can make a difference in this world, so that you will do the things which others tell you cannot be done.

If you have the courage to accept these blessings, then God will also bless you with:

happiness—because you will know that you have made life better for others

inner peace—because you will have worked to secure an outer peace for others

laughter—because your heart will be light

faithful friends—because they will recognize your worth as a person.

These blessings are yours—not for the asking, but for the giving—from One who wants to be your companion, our God, who lives and reigns, forever and ever. Amen.

Sister Ruth Fox, OSB

More details about the original prayer can be found at the Sacred Braid website here: The original version of the prayer can be read on <https://www.thesacredbraid.com/2016/07/22/a-non-traditional-blessing/>

Portland to Penola – The Aussie Camino

Recognising Saint Mary MacKillop

In September 2022, I walked with my sister, Deirdre, and her son Nathan, nearly 220kms of the Camino Frances in Spain. A report of our adventure was included in the November 2022 Partnership in Print.

Deirdre and I have since completed several other long walks much closer to home including the 100km Mornington Peninsula Walk - a triangular track from Dromana to Dromana via Cape Schank and Point Nepean. Deirdre enjoyed that so much she kept walking and completed a loop right around Port Phillip Bay. She is writing a guidebook so others can use her experiences to do the same.

There is a difference between walking a route to visit and experience the location and walking a pilgrimage. Apart from being in another country, walking the Camino in Spain was different to our walks here in Victoria. For one thing you set out with a different intent and mindset.

In September last year we commenced walking the Australian Camino. The walk was developed in 2013 in memory of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop and links three towns, Portland in Victoria and Port Macdonnell and Penola in South Australia which featured in her life.

I am not going into Mary's life here as it is too complicated. But briefly - she was a governess in Penola then Portland. She then taught in a Catholic School in Portland before returning to Penola to open a school and start the first order of nuns, the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart

To recognise Mary's work the Camino commences in Portland and follows the route of the Great South West Walk along the coast to Nelson, Vic. This is the section of the walk we completed in September 2024 when we tackled the 127km of coastal cliffs, long beaches, pine forests and even over Mt Richmond. Due to other commitments this was the distance we could cover in the time we had. As it was school holidays some members of Deirdre's family walked with us on the weekends, and we had their company at night.

Last year strong westerly winds were a challenge in the first section especially walking the cliff tops and long beaches. One section of the clifftop track was so concerning that we didn't even stop to take a photo, scared that if we lost our balance in the gusty wind we'd end up in the roiling sea below.



Aboriginal middens containing shells, bones and flint knapped flakes from tool making and dark ash-stained bands stretched for several kilometres indicating many thousands of years of occupation.

A concerning feature was the amount of rubbish along the beaches especially at the eastern end pushed by the prevailing wind.

We gave a wide berth to the 5 snakes we encountered.

Wildflowers including my favourite little native orchids were spotted in a few places especially around Mt Richmond.



This year we recommenced the Camino at Nelson. The 139km route took us west along the road to Piccaninnie Ponds, out onto the beach, crossing 2 creek outlets, then following 12 Mile Creek Road to Port Macdonnell where the route left the coast and headed north over the flanks of Mt Schank, around Mt Gambier, through Kalangadoo to Penola.

Challenges this time included creek crossings, many rain showers, mud and electric fences. Deirdre had problems with pain in her right foot and I had a leaky right boot.

I had been worried about the 2 creek crossings at the start of day 2. Concerned about trying to dry cold, wet, salty and sandy feet and hoping that sand in our boots didn't

induce blisters I had taken my gumboots and worked out how to carry them for the rest of the day.

What the guidebook hadn't told us was that we needed to time our day's walk so we were crossing the creeks near low tide and needed to be off the beach well before high tide as there was no beach left. Luckily, we had checked the beach the day before and noticed that the water in the creek would be too deep so timed our start only a few minutes after sunrise. The gumboots worked well.

Further along the beach the larger waves were already reaching to top of the beach in piles of flint.

The walk along 12 Mile Creek Road, early on Day 3, was towards a magnificent rainbow then of course the rain. We dried out over lunch at our accommodation in Port Macdonnell then we headed north away from the coast.

The southern section of this was along grassy road reserves which were a delight to walk along. We could hear and see the traffic on the Riddoch Hwy about 1 kilometre to our west, but we enjoyed sheep and cattle in the paddocks either side of us. The sheep usually ran away but the cattle lined up and watched us. A bit disconcerting on a toilet break!

At Mt Schank we stopped to climb the 100m high dormant volcano. We had a wonderful view back over our route and north to Mt Gambier.

We eventually joined the Riddoch Hwy and had to walk along the shoulder of the road for about 4km to Mt Gambier which was far from pleasant.

We dodged around the western side of Mt Gambier, partly on a rail trail. Then it was north along limestone roads, between paddocks, pine plantations, bush and swamps to Kalangadoo. The route north of Kalangadoo followed beside, then along the old overgrown railway line for about 6kms. Tough walking.

Deirdre and I arrived at Penola in time to visit the Mary MacKillop Penola Centre to claim our Compostela (completion certificate). The following day we returned to the centre to look at the exhibitions and schoolhouse.

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Walking the Aussie Camino was a much quieter event than the Camino Frances in Spain where we surrounded by hundreds of people on the trail. On this walk we did not meet anyone. But we were walking in the off season and it is not as well known.

We organised our own accommodation and transported ourselves doing car shuffles. We also did the whole route. We covered the full 266km and took a total of 15 days walking. There are a number of companies who run tours but none do the full distance. Most do 150km in 7 days of walking.

We took our Camino Passports that we had in Spain and added the stamps for this trek. The stamps are available from various pubs, churches and a café along the way and prove that you have covered the distance. You present your passport to receive your Compostela.

Jay Brooks – Romsey

Photos – Bridgewater Bay, old railway line north of Kalangadoo, Jay (left) and Deirdre



A Collect Prayer by Doug Mclver

The Kyneton UCA service on Friday, 25 July 2025 was led by Pastor Annette Buckley. Conversations about different types of prayer by Pastor Annette at this worship service led to me composing the following collect prayer. I composed it in the context of community concerns about the number of youth being brought before Australian courts due to alleged criminal actions.

Dearest Lord of my Christian life,

May I be worthy to ask for courage and humility for seeking to approach Australian Ministers of Justice, about their care for youth who have been sentenced to serve time in State & Territories corrective institutions due to being found guilty of criminal behaviour.

May I be assisted in expressing myself to the Ministers as to whether there may be some ways of assisting youth in corrective institutions that are not being considered as being worthy of consideration in assisting positive health outcomes.

May I be assisted in encouraging the Ministers of Justice to discern wisdom about alternative and/or complementary approaches that may help youth become aware of improving their health and welfare, while in a corrective institution, that could be beneficial for their future.

I humbly ask this of you, Lord.

Amen.

Doug Mclver 29th July 2025

Sunday services in the Partnership are held at 9.30am weekly at Gisborne, Tylden and Romsey. Kyneton meets for Sunday worship fortnightly 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, alternating with Friday evening worship. The Northern Churches meet on Sundays at Metcalf on the 2nd Sunday of the month and at Sutton Grange on the 4th Sunday.

Alternative service times – Fish’n’Chips service at **Kyneton** at 6.30pm this month on 12th and 26th September – BYO tea as we eat together before we worship (and no, it doesn’t have to be fish and chips!)

Ministers Munchies (informal worship in the Northern congregation) this month is Wednesday 17th September at 10am Bek’s café **Redesdale**

Gisborne Midweek worship – Tuesday 9th September at 10am.

Other weekly events:

Monday A meditation group meets at 4pm at Romsey UC (speak with Jenny Elliot for details)
 Wednesday: White Goose 9.30am to 1pm at Riddells Creek UC; Faith Community Woodend 2.30pm
 Thursday: Coffee Catchup 2.00 pm at Romsey Community Co-op, 126 Main St Romsey
 Friday: Prayer Group 10.00 am at Gisborne UC

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<u>KYNETON</u> - 54 Ebden St (PO Box 892)					Pip Elston, Lyn Ward, Helen Aldridge(alt)
<u>ROMSEY</u> - 25 Pohlman St (PO Box 264, Romsey, 3434)	Noel Shaw	Jeni Clampit	Roger Baker		Noel Shaw, Jeni Clampit, Jay Brooks (alt)
<u>TYLDEN</u> - Trentham Rd (c/o Tylden General Store, Tylden, 3444)	Max Hinneberg	Janet Cole	Dawn Hinneberg	Max Hinneberg	Bronwyn Hewitt, Dawn Hinneberg
<u>WOODEND</u> - 37 Forest St					
<u>GISBORNE</u> - 23 Brantome St	Bev Gilbertson	Colin Chapman	Paul Gilbertson	Neil Moorhouse Rob Dunstan	Colin Chapman, Keith Hallett, Paul Gilbertson

As I put PiP to 'bed' for the printer, Synod 2025 has begun. The opening worship was live-streamed and I am thinking of all those involved in Synod as they discern the will of God for our church in Victoria and Tasmania. Thanks to those who have contributed for this edition. This will be my 2nd-last issue of PiP. Please contact me or your CoCo rep if you are keen to take on the editing of this newsletter. I'll be willing to help you settle in.

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