

Sunday Service	9.30am	every Sunday
Journey of Hope:	6.00pm	every 3rd Sunday
Belswan service	2.00pm	3 rd Wed of the month
RAAFA Service	10am	4 th Thurs of the month
(Meadow Springs)		
RAAFA Erskine Service	5.00pm	4 th Thurs of the month
Money Mentors Open	9am - 4pm	Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri



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The Communicator

Mandurah Uniting Church

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News

What the Voice means to me - messages from Uniting Church people on an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice and why they support it. The first video in this series is from Rev Mitchell Garlett, UAICC WA.

UnitingWorld Project Update - Education for remote area children in Eastern Himalayas.

New Resource for Congregations - A new 2-page printable resource and powerpoint slides exploring what it will mean to have an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament is now available for congregations to use and share.

Join us on a journey into the future. On Saturday 18 June the Presbytery of WA adopted the 25 year mission and property strategy prepared by the Thrive Mission Committee. Rob Douglas, Presbytery Minister for Mission reflects on what may lie ahead on this journey.

Step by step - Stan White's quest for wellness, a **Juniper** story.

No Road Too Far, No Need Too Small - Standing alongside disaster affected communities in the Mid West. A reflection from Rev Erica (Ric) Payne, WA Disaster Recovery Chaplain and Frontier Services Bush Chaplain, Mid West WA. *This article was first printed in the June 2023 edition of Revive.*

Congratulations to Pinjarra Uniting Church who are celebrating their 113th Anniversary on Sunday 2 July, 8.50am, with guest speaker Russell Bricknell, CEO of Juniper Aged Care.

Readings for the coming month July

July 2	Genesis 22:1-14 Psalm 13	Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18	Romans 6:12-23	Matthew 10:40-42
July 9	Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Psalm 45:10-17 <i>Song of Solomon 2:8-13</i>	Zechariah 9:9-12 Psalm 145:8-14	Romans 7:15-25a	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
July 16	Genesis 25:19-34 Psalm 119:105-112	Isaiah 55:10-13 Psalm 65:(1-8), 9-13	Romans 8:1-11	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
July 23	Genesis 28:10-19a Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24	Wisdom of Solomon 12:13, 16-19 <i>Isaiah 44:6-8</i> Psalm 86:11-17	Romans 8:12-25	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
July 30	Genesis 29:15-28 Psalm 105:1-11, 45b Psalm 128	1 Kings 3:5-12 Psalm 119:129-136	Romans 8:26-39	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

MORE of the WORD of GOD

July is **MINISTRY MONTH**. Our Bible Readings will continue to challenge us to live as the people of God's Pentecostal fire. We will be challenged by Saint Paul in the Epistle to the Romans to live as people of the Spirit.

Last month we began a series of Bible reflections – we were asked to explore the Old Testament. It was pleasing to see some took up the challenge to explore Genesis and Jeremiah. This month we will again have some fabulous OT readings. NOW I am asking us to turn to the New Testament. The people of NT Times were largely illiterate. And writing and copying were limited to educated scribes. A scribe may write a list of goods for trading. And legal agreements would be signed by rulers calling for obedience, and demanding taxes. Printing was used by the Sumerians 5000 years ago – messages on clay tablets. But printing as we know did not appear to the 15th century. Writing anything had to be important. The Apostles sent letters to the new churches – we call these Epistles.

As we explore the NT Epistles we find powerful instructions, encouragements, and challenges. This Pentecost season we will spend many weeks looking at Paul's letter to Romans. Some NT Scholars have described Romans as Paul's last will and Testament, as it is so different to his writing in the Epistles to Corinthians, Philippians, or Ephesians.

This month, as we hear the NT Readings, consider reading them yourself, of sitting with them before or after each Sunday. If it is true that the Uniting Church believes that the Bible contains the Word of God, which of our readings challenge you in your faith, discipleship, or Ministry?

Finally, Saint Paul did not write in vacuum – his words rose out of real-life experiences, serious challenges within the new Churches, and out of his Jewish passion to fulfill the call of God to proclaim the Gospel to the Gentiles. What ways does Paul's struggles and teachings resonate with our own worldly context, concerns, and ministries?

Let's love the Lord our God with our all of Hearts and Minds. And Lord, in your Mercy, reveal yourself to us through this your Holy Word. Amen. John M.

Family Friendly Worship Service every Sunday at 9.30am

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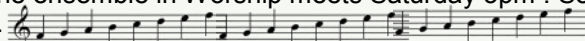
“The Way Forward”

**Radical
Passionate
Intentional
Risk Taking
Extravagant**

**Hospitality
Worship
Faith Development
Mission & Service
Generosity**

**Belonging, Believing,
Behaving, Becoming**

Church Council

1. Church Council has voted to approve Coral as our Synod Rep
2. Marilyn has offered to Audit the church books for the 2023 calendar year
3. Group Photo of the Congregation will be taken on 20th August - brush your hair and wear your best outfit on the day.
4. Contact book is complete and copies are available in the office.
5. Music Group with practise for the ensemble in Worship meets Saturday 3pm . See Matt if you have any questions. 
6. **Money Mentors: Have received a substantial grant for HEES – Home Energy Efficiency Scheme, Mandurah Kwinana and Byford . This program will have staff visiting homes to help reduce electricity use**

Pilgrims

Saturday 8th Jul 9.00am Spill the Beans (Seascapes)



Christmas in



Saturday 22nd Jul 6.00pm Christmas in July @ RAAFA
Please leave name on sheet in the foyer so bookings can be made

Rosters

Please consider the opportunities offered to you through volunteering to Read, Welcome, Morning Tea, Worship Lead, Data Operator. This can be a growth moment.
Please see Judith or John if you would like to be on the roster.



Well - Being Lunch



**12th & 26th July
11.30am
Wednesday**

**Catch up with friends over lunch in a safe place. Mavis will greet you, Rod is serving, Corrie is helping and Pastor Marilyn & Rev John are talking. Matt & Lee are organising.
Formally Rainbow
Being - Well**

Journey of Hope

This service will be a event at 6pm
Sunday 16th July 2023.
This is a short service followed by a fellowship meal. Bring your own food.
All are welcome!!

Coffee and Chat Group

Helen has a Coffee and Chat Group for people with mental health concerns, who meet every Saturday at Sharky's at 10.30am till Noon. 0438940525 Helen



July Birthdays

Jim	Freeman	July	5
Peter	Marshall	July	6
Murray	McAuliffe	July	11
Barbara	Drummond	July	12
Michelle	Chisholm	July	18
Angie	Walker	July	18
Rod	Stuart	July	19
Heath	Schmied	July	19
Joan	Timperley	July	28



Sandra & Len Cronin 12 July



Music Group

Piano, guitar and organ -
Sing and help choose the Music for
Worship during the year.

**All are welcome! Especially
New Musicians & Singers!!**

Peter is still collecting the recycled bottles and cans and this helps to fund our church.



Keep Up the Fundraising!!

10c Bottles & Cans

Christian Meditation

Join the Meditation

Group on a journey of relaxation and spiritual silence. Each Thursday morning at 9.00am

Morning Tea

After meditation there is a time of fellowship over a cuppa.



All Are Welcome

Why didn't they play cards on the Ark?

BECAUSE NOAH WAS ALWAYS STANDING ON THE DECK

A very warm welcome to any visitors today!
Please take with you the blessings of the Mandurah Congregation!
Please stay and Fellowship with us after the service.

Notes from UOM Volunteers are the Heart of this Community

1. The Post Office grant - for a consultant to help make Well-Being Lunches sustainable. Only one group are able to get this
2. PEACH grant equip has been acquitted and funds received.
3. Police grant, applied a second time.
4. City of Mandurah grant. Has been acquitted and funds received for the new year.
5. Volunteers grant application in hand.
6. Cupboards installed in vestry to free up the cupboards for ER use in the middle room
7. The Well Being lunch has grown in popularity with 35 attending the latest lunch, we are now serving light warm meals during the colder weather.
8. UOM is seeking a volunteer with Social Media skills that can promote the goods in our op shop and shed, if you know someone that can may be interested in this please approach Coral or Keith.

