



Tuesday 17 May 2016
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The Presbytery of Western Australia meeting was held on Saturday 14 May at The Billabong Community Centre, the home of The Billabong Uniting Church. Lay and ordained members from our congregations and faith communities from around the Presbytery came together for fellowship and to discern the direction of the business of the Presbytery with the theme, 'Moving forward with God – in education, leadership and covenanting.'

Tasting The Billabong

Worship, led by The Billabong, began with well-known songs, 'How great thou art' and 'You are my vision' sung with gusto and a modern twist.

Rev Luke Williams of The Billabong Uniting Church, began the meeting with a time of worship and community building. The gathering was asked to consider the balance, both individually and collectively, in our worship communities between worship: love of God, service: love of each other and witness: love of those who don't know God. Luke considered the importance and balance of worship, service and witness in the Basis of Union and Luke 6:9, primarily within the context of The Billabong Uniting Church. Everyone was challenged and given time to consider three questions: are we listening, are we saying and doing, and are our lives accessible?

Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (Congress) WA Regional Committee chairperson, Rev Sealin Garlett gave the welcome to country in both English and the tongue of his Nyungar people.

Ministry milestones worship

Rev David de Kock, general secretary, led worship

recognising ministry milestones of people in placement who have served God and the church faithfully over many years.

Rev Kira Jamieson and Rev Allan Mackenzie celebrated 20 years of service; Rev Robert Dummermuth, Rev Trevor Waters, Rev Hollis Wilson, Rev Gordon Scantlebury and Rev John Myles celebrated 25 years; Rev Dr Geoffrey Lilburne and Rev Gemmel Sherwood celebrated 30 years; Rev Bev Fabb celebrated 40 years; Rev Ian MacPherson celebrated 50 years; and Rev Don Pederick, Rev Dave Robinson, Rev David Woodroffe, Rev Harry Lucas, Rev Ken Melville, and Rev Ruth Nelson celebrated 60 years of faithful service since ordination.

Presbytery chairperson, Rev Steve Francis, presented them with a handcrafted palm cross from Lighthouse Church, Geraldton as a symbol of the manner in which they had taken up their cross daily throughout their lives. He then closed this joyous time with prayer for those who were recognised, for the world they served and continue to serve. Commemorative booklets containing brief outlines of these personal journeys of service were distributed.

Members of the Presbytery had the opportunity to personally congratulate many of those present during morning tea.

Presbytery in pictures





In Memoriam

The Presbytery of Western Australia remembered with sadness the passing of Rev Bryan King and Denis Scarfe and gave thanks for their great contribution to the Uniting Church.

Seeking our next moderator?

Rev Ken Williams, Moderatorial Nominating Committee chair gave a presentation and called every member of the church to prayerfully discern nominees for consideration as the next moderator of the Synod of Western Australia. Nominations close on Friday 24 June.

Ken said, "The importance of this role can't be overstated."

Ken clarified the role of each part of the church in the appointment of our next Moderator.

The moderator is an elected lay or ordained, male or female member of the Uniting Church in Australia and is focused on pastoral, visionary and faith leadership.

The role of each member of the church, congregation and faith community, and all church bodies, is to prayerfully discern who may be approached as a possible nominee.

The role of each possible nominee is to prayerfully consider God's call on their life and acceptance of the nomination.

The role of the Moderatorial Nominating Committee is to encourage the discernment of a moderatorial call and bring forward all appropriate names to the 40th Annual Meeting of the Synod of Western Australia to be held on Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 September 2016.

The role of the church, through the 40th Synod, is to prayerfully discern the call of God and elect the next moderator to be installed for a three-year term at the 41st Synod to be held in September 2017.

Ken will lead the Moderatorial Nominating Committee comprising Steve Higgins, Fiona Bentley, Jan Alvin Gunawan, Rev Lorraine Stokes, Margaret Martin and Rev Alan Jeffries.

Theological Education in WA

Rev David de Kock, general secretary, introduced roundtable discussions on theological education in Western Australia. David wrote a paper and presented further information about the historic, current and possible future arrangements.

"We are at a critical place with regard to the future of

the church, not only in the area of education of future ordained ministers, but also in the areas of the financial viability of congregations, meeting the needs of migrant ethnic congregations, evangelism, mission, community outreach, and understanding the spiritual needs of young people in a rapidly changing world," said David.

Rev Bev Fabb, chair of the Commission for Education for Discipleship and Leadership (CEDAL) presented her 'I have a dream' paper.

Bev dreams of renewal of congregational life; a church which puts a priority on education and formation of lay leaders in congregations; a church where Elders and Church Councils will not just see their role as simply pastoral care or administration; of congregational leaders who will be effectively leading their congregation in mission in their local community; where all members feel confident to share their faith with others, to lead others to faith in Christ and help them to grow as disciples within a faith community; a church which has leaders equipped to pioneer new forms of church; a church where leaders of our culturally diverse congregations, both first and second peoples of this land, are provided with culturally appropriate education and formation, encouraged to take up leadership roles in the wider Uniting Church in Australia; and a church which has a co-ordinated and strategic approach to education.

So, the Presbytery members were challenged to work with those at their tables and consider what needs to change to bring different opportunities to reality.

Singing in Tongan

A choir of members of Beth Shalom Uniting Church presented three songs, including cultural dance, as 43 members prepare to attend and lead during the 29th Tongan National Conference 'Your Kingdom Come: Hearts on Fire' in Kurrajong NSW in June. More than 1000 Tongan members of the network of Tongan churches in the Uniting Church in Australia, are expected to attend.

Members of Presbytery were transported as the strength and depth of the voices of the choir soared and washed over everyone present.

Congress WA Presbytery

At the 39th Annual Synod of Western Australia meeting held in September 2015, a new, non-geographic Congress Presbytery was established within the bounds of the Synod of Western Australia.

Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress

(Congress) chairperson, Rev Dennis Corowa, presented an overview of the review by a team from National Congress undertaken in January. National Congress has recommended the establishment of a Congress WA Presbytery be postponed.

The view of National Congress is that at this time, the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress WA Regional Committee (Congress WA) is lacking an active governing body, lacks experience and existing developed skills to fulfil the role and responsibilities of a Presbytery and is not representative of Aboriginal people within the Synod of Western Australia.

Dennis said, "National Congress is deeply committed to the Congress Regional Committee WA working well within this state."

Rev David de Kock, general secretary stressed his absolute commitment to support the process of a Congress WA Presbytery coming to fruition in the future. Rev Steve Francis, moderator, closed the heartfelt discussion in prayer, thanking God for our covenantal relationship with the First Peoples and committing us all to listen, walk, learn and grow together as God's people.

The decision regarding National Congress' recommendation that the establishment of a Congress WA Presbytery be postponed will be taken at the next Standing Committee meeting to be held this Wednesday 18 May.

Leadership in a changing world

Guest presenter, Craig Bailey, director of leadership at Uniting College of Divinity in Adelaide led the final session. Craig was asked some years ago by the leadership of the theological college in South Australia to develop a leadership curriculum for implementation into their education structure. Craig outlined the steps he thinks are necessary for developing flexible and modern forms of leadership. The traditional modes of pyramid, corporate style leadership are being undermined by technological advances and the church needs to adapt as the world changes.

The church needs to find ways to re-craft leadership, and the Uniting Church, in particular, is ideally positioned to do this. The church needs to learn how best to train flexible leaders and Craig outlined six topics he thinks are useful for developing strong leaders for the changing world.

- **Curiosity** - we need leaders who have a perpetual sense of restless curiosity. We're encouraging our ministers to continually read and interpret culture.

- **Cultural** - the church needs to train leaders who view the world through a broad cultural lens.
- **Charism** - the church needs to move away from alpha-male driven leadership, towards a system of developing the gifting of individual leaders.
- **Growth** is not a dirty word. It's not just about making bigger churches, but also about seeing personal growth. Leaders need "to think of (themselves) as lifelong learners.
- **Risk** - leaders need to learn to be risk comfortable for the church to develop as an organism rather than a corporation.
- **Cause** - leaders need to be cause driven, to not focus on numbers, but the original purpose of the church.

Craig finished by quoting Dave Gibbons, saying, "The church has an amazing opportunity to become what God is hoping we will come to be, it will take the re-sculpting of our organisations and corporate culture, the incubation of new art forms, new languages, new expressions, new symbols, flexible ways of being organised and lead to an even fuller explanation of what we know as the Gospel".

Deliberations and decisions

S&MPC seeks mission project grants boost

The Presbytery agreed by consensus that the Strategy and Mission Planning Commission (S&MPC) will apply, through the budgetary process, for mission project grants to be raised from \$140,000 to \$200,000.

One of the primary roles of the Presbytery is to resource congregations and faith communities in fulfilling their life of worship, witness and service. The mission project grants offer a wonderful opportunity for congregations and faith communities to rekindle their missional identity.

NCLS Survey participation endorsed

The Presbytery agreed by consensus to affirm the importance of the Uniting Church WA participating in the 2016 National Church Life Survey (NCLS) for the benefit of the whole church, so that data may represent the Uniting Church in Australia (UCA) and the Australian church as fully as possible. The Presbytery also requested all congregations participate in the 2016 NCLS Survey as a matter of priority and reminded all congregations that funding is available to cover costs of participation for those who do not have funds of their own.

Lay Preacher recognition

A joyful decision of the Presbytery was the recognition of Moira Mathie as an accredited lay preacher having completed all the requirements for accreditation.



Congregational News

- **Trinity North Uniting Church, Wandoo Rd Worship Centre, Duncraig**, is holding an Australia's Biggest Morning Tea event, raising money for the Cancer Council of WA. It will be held on Thursday 26 May, 10.00am, hosted by Duncraig Coffee Chat on behalf of Trinity North Uniting Church. For more info contact Bob Morris on 9401 4594.
- **Alpha in the City** will be taking place each Tuesday from 26 April–28 June, 12.30–1.30pm, at Uniting Church in the City, Trinity Perth. Want to learn more about the Christian faith? It's not too late to get involved. RSVP to alpha@ucic.org.au or call Anneliis at 6103 4222.
- **Uniting Church in the City, Trinity Perth**, are holding a **Sea Pictures Service**, a special service to honour those who have served at sea, featuring an arrangement of Elgar's Sea Pictures, Lux et Veritas, Camerata 1685, conducted by Jangoo Chapkhana. It will be held on Sunday 19 June, 10.00am. For more info call 6103 4222 or email admin@ucic.org.au.
- **Maylands Mt Lawley Uniting Church** is holding a Jumble Sale on Saturday 21 May between 9.00am–12noon at 165 Railway Parade Mt Lawley. Delicious Devonshire teas are available as well as plants, books and other bargains. For more info email Kim at francisfam@iinet.net.au.
- **The Pilgrimage to Living Water** has become an annual event since it was first held over five years ago. This year it will be held on Monday 23 May with the theme 'The Wayside Stream.' The pilgrimage will set out from Dongara Uniting Church at 9.00am, returning by 3.00pm. The Shire bus will be on hand for transport between stations for those not able to make the whole journey on foot. Lunch is provided, cost is free. RSVP to Wendy Small on 9927 2674 or email silverdale@bordnet.com.au.
- **After almost a century** of continuous worship, Bruce Rock Uniting Church has made the difficult decision to close its church building. All past members and adherents are invited to the last service on Sunday 29 May 2016. For further info contact Heather Hutton on 9061 1853.
- **Willetton Uniting Church** is holding an Australia's Biggest Morning Tea event on Thursday 2 June, 10.00am, in the church hall, cnr Herald Ave and

High Rd, Willetton. For more info call Louise on 9458 7989 or email louse.riedel@iinet.net.au, or Dianne on 9332 4754.

- **The annual Women's Weekend Away**, with the theme Me and My God, will be held from Friday 17–Sunday 19 June at the Swanleigh Conference Centre, Middle Swan. The all-inclusive cost is \$145.00. This spiritually uplifting and fun weekend is organised by a committee of women from South Perth and Swan View Uniting Churches who invite women from all congregations and denominations. For more information contact Fiona on 0407 771 416 or email southperthwwa@gmail.com.

Presbytery & Synod of WA

- **The Uniting Church WA** is looking for contributors to the 2016 Sustainable September worship resource, which is distributed to all Uniting Church WA congregations. Contributions needed include liturgy, poetry, hymns, children's activities and sermon notes. These resources will all be related to the lectionary, and link to our care for the Earth and its people. Deadline is 30 June. For more information about how you can get involved contact Eira on 9260 9800 or email eira.clapton@wa.uca.org.au.
- **On 26 May, Australia commemorates Sorry Day** – an important day recognising the impact of government policies that led to the forcible removal of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from their families. Sorry Day will demonstrate the rich culture that the local Nyungar people have sustained through adversity. It will be held on Thursday 26 May, 9.45am–1.45pm, at Wellington Square, East Perth. To read more visit <https://bringingthemhomewa.com/>.
- **The Moderatorial Nominating Committee** is calling for nominations for the next Moderator-elect. Please pray for the Uniting Church WA as it seeks to discern the will of God as it calls a person to the role of Moderator. Nominations close Friday 24 June. For more info contact Maureen Bourke at maureen.bourke@wa.uca.org.au.
- **A Safe Church Awareness Workshop** will be held at Kalamunda Uniting Church for clergy, church leaders, church members and those involved in community services. It will be held on Saturday 28 May, 9.30am–3.30pm. Cost is \$20, includes lunch and morning tea. RSVP by 20 May to Cindy Gorton on 9260 9800 or email cindy.gorton@wa.uca.org.au. Additional workshops

have been scheduled in other regions throughout 2016. Check out the dates at <http://unitingchurchwa.org.au/safe-church/safe-church-training>.

From the National Church

- **The president of the Uniting Church in Australia, Stuart McMillan**, has described the 2016–17 Federal Budget, as a "missed opportunity" to alleviate poverty and disadvantage at home and around the world. "There is not nearly enough in this Budget to assist the most vulnerable," said Stuart. To read more visit <https://revivemagazine.org.au/2016/05/04/a-budget-of-missed-opportunities/>.
- **The National Young Adult Leaders' Conference (NYALC)** is an opportunity for young adult leaders within the Uniting Church to grow in faith and develop their leadership skills. It will be held from 8–13 July on the Gold Coast. Please consider nominating young leaders in your networks to attend. For more info contact Janine McDonald on 9260 9800 or email Janine.mcdonald@wa.uca.org.au or visit the website at www.nyalc.org.au and check out their promotional video <https://vimeo.com/156872288>.
- **The President of the Uniting Church in Australia, Stuart McMillan**, has encouraged Uniting Church congregations around the country to make their voices heard during the 2016 Federal Election campaign. The Assembly's 2016 Federal Election resource *A Flourishing Society: Your Faith, Your Voice, Your Vote* will be made available on the UnitingJustice Australia website in mid-May. The editor of the resource, national director of UnitingJustice Australia, Rev Elenie Poulos, says the guide will bring together the work of Uniting Church agencies. To read more visit <https://revivemagazine.org.au/2016/05/10/election-2016-your-faith-your-voice-your-vote/>.
- **The Uniting Church in Australia's Relations with Other Faiths Team** are busy planning activities for Interfaith September. Individuals and congregations are invited to host their own worship, activities or interfaith encounters. This year, organisations of other faiths will also be invited to take part. Register your interest by emailing rof@nat.uca.org.au.

UnitingCare and Congregational Community Services

- **UnitingCare Australia** has responded to the 2016 Federal Budget. Associate national director, Martin Cowling, said that the budget paints a selective

picture of living within our means, with cuts to health, aged care and disability payments outweighing new spending in these areas by at least \$1 billion over four years. To read more visit <https://revivemagazine.org.au/2016/05/04/budget-2016-tax-cuts-at-the-expense-of-health-aged-care-and-disability/>.

- **Martin Cowling, associate national director of UnitingCare Australia** has taken part in a Federal Budget response interview with Andrew West for a recent ABC Religion and Ethics Report. The program can be accessed at <http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/religionandethicsreport/>.
- **Lin Hatfield Dodds, national director of UnitingCare Australia**, has announced she will be leaving her position to join the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet as deputy secretary social policy. She will formally conclude her role with UnitingCare Australia on Thursday 9 June. Martin Cowling, associate national director will be acting during the recruitment process.
- **UnitingCare West's Food Rescue program** will host its annual Foodies Fundraiser at The Old Brewery on Thursday 19 May, 5.30pm. By enjoying fine wines and food, you'll be helping to feed over 11 000 Perth people in need. To book tickets to this event please visit <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/foodies-fundraiser-tickets-24609317130?aff=efbnreg>.
- **Get up to date** on all the latest news and events happening at UnitingCare West by reading their Summer/Autumn Newsletter online. To view visit <http://unitingcarewest.org.au/assets/News-letters/Summer-Autumn-2016-Newsletter-Final.pdf>

Ecumenical & International

- **Anglicare WA** invites you to a workshop on Creating Child Safe, Child Friendly Organisations. This one-day workshop will focus on understanding how, when, where and why sexual abuse occurs, and place-based approaches to preventing sexual abuse, particularly in organisational settings. It will be held on Tuesday 7 June, 9.30am–4.30pm in East Perth. Cost is \$245. For more info call 9263 2122 or email training@anglicarewa.org.au.
- **Reflecting on the relevance of religion in today's world**, World Council of Churches (WCC) general secretary, Rev Dr Olav Fykse Tveit, spoke at a sustainable development seminar in Rome on 4 May, posing a question to the participants: "Is religion able to bring hope to people of today?" To read more visit

<https://www.oikoumene.org/en/press-centre/news/wcc-general-secretary-201cis-religion-able-to-bring-hope-to-people-of-today-201d>.

- **The World Council of Churches (WCC) general secretary, Rev Dr Olav Fykse Tveit**, issued a statement urging the international community to put an end to the “culture of impunity” in Syria. The statement comes on the heels of news reports from Syria of an air strike that targeted the Kammouneh Syrian refugee camp, killing at least 28 people and severely injuring dozens of others. To read more visit <https://www.oikoumene.org/en/press-centre/news/wcc-statement-expresses-shock-at-latest-violence-in-syria>.
- **The Act for Peace Ration Challenge** will take place from 19–25 June. By taking the challenge and eating the exact same rations that a Syrian refugee living in Jordan receives for one week, this passionate community of people across Australia will be helping refugees around the world to build safe, just and dignified lives. To read more and to register visit <https://actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au>.

Community

- **Earthwise** is a volunteer-staffed community centre which undertakes a variety of community and environmental activities, and is associated with the Uniting Church WA. A busy-bee is held every Friday in the gardens of Earthwise, at 315 Bagot Rd Subiaco. Volunteers are encouraged to learn about permaculture and to put into practice the principles of organic gardening, followed by a light meal of coffee cake and fruit. For more info visit http://www.ccwa.org.au/friday_morning_busy_bee.
- **The Conservation Council WA's Eco May** is all about local communities coming together to celebrate and protect our unique places and wildlife, and to practice and promote more sustainable lifestyles. To read a full list of Eco May events around WA visit <http://www.ccwa.org.au/ecomay>.
- **The film, Chasing Asylum**, is about to hit screens across Australia. The film includes never-before-seen footage from inside Australia's offshore detention centres, and starkly reveals the personal impact of sending people seeking asylum to languish in limbo in indefinite detention on Manus Island and Nauru. Screenings will be held in both metro and regional

areas in WA. For more info and to find a screening near you visit <http://www.chasingasylum.com.au/>.

- **Stop the Traffik** is hosting an exposure trip through India, exploring the chaos and charms of the streets of Mumbai, and the contradictory tranquillity of tea gardens in Assam, where traffickers operate. The trip will be held from Sunday 8–Thursday 19 January, costing \$2 995. For more info contact carolyn.kitto@stophetraffik.com.au.

Jobs: Paid and Volunteer

unitingchurchwa.org.au/services/giving-backemployment-paid-and-volunteer/

The Pastoral Relations and Placements Commission (PR&PC) webpage is available to view all vacant placements, by-laws, ministry changes and pastoral and placement updates. Visit <http://unitingchurchwa.org.au/pastoral-relations-and-placements-commission>.

- **Hymnfest 2016** is a free event celebrating Christian faith through music and song featuring the Perth Adventist Orchestra and Choir. It will be held on Saturday 18 June, 6.00–7.30pm, at Kennedy Baptist College. Organisers are seeking volunteers to assist with ushering in the venue and to help marshal in the car park outside the venue before and after the event. Please contact Rick Pekan at rick.pekan@biblesociety.org.au or at 0447 973 273 for more information.
- **Applications are invited** for Expressions of Interest from a minister of the Word to fill a vacant placement at Lighthouse Geraldton. Lighthouse Uniting Church is a multigenerational and multicultural congregation. It has a strong emphasis on building relations within and beyond the church with service in mission, discipleship, children and family ministry and small groups for all ages. Applications close 31 May. For further info, or for sending your applications, contact Rev John Barendrecht, on 9260 9804 or at john.barendrecht@wa.uca.org.au.
- **UnitingCare Queensland** is inviting applications for the role of Director of Mission. Ministers of the Word, Deacons and those in other specified ministries within the Uniting Church are encouraged to apply. Applications close 27 May. For more info visit http://ucaqld.com.au/th_event/director-of-mission-unitingcare-queensland/.

Ministry Resourcing Centre



The Ministry Resourcing Centre is located in the Uniting Church Centre, 85-89 Edward Street, Perth and is open Monday to Friday 8.30am–5.00pm. Contact Margaret Johnston on 9260 9800 or email resource@wa.uca.org.au.

The Becoming of G–d: what the trinitarian nature of God has to do with church and a deep spirituality for the twenty first century, by Ian Mobsby. Our high speed and technologically advanced times can be confusing, and it can be difficult to appreciate the place of the church in contemporary culture. In this book the implications of the theology behind Emerging and Fresh Expressions of church are explored. **\$24.95**

Trinity: the God we don't know, by Jason Byassee, (General Editor, William H Willimon). We are guided into a deeper knowledge of the triune God in a way that is accessible and mysterious, theological and pastoral. Informative and open questions are included at the end of each chapter which also makes it appropriate for study groups and reflection. **\$22.45**

Messy Prayer: developing the prayer life of your Messy Church, by Jane Leadbetter. Messy Spirituality is a spirituality of the everyday and the concrete. It celebrates the sacredness of ordinary things that can speak to us about God: creative things that point to God as creator and to God's delight in creating. Messy Church or not, intergenerational worship calls us to be creative, there are many examples from Messy Churches in this book to encourage prayer for all ages. **\$14.75**

Dreaming of Home: homecoming as a model for renewal and mission, by Michael Mitton. “Problematic or pleasurable, the concept of ‘home’ is deeply embedded in most of us. With typically disarming honesty and wisdom, Michael explores this natural icon from personal and theological angles. A warm and welcoming book that will comfort, coax and challenge many readers.” (Adrian Plass) **\$16.95**

Daily Life at the Time of Jesus, by Miriam Feinberg Varnosh. Vivid, original illustrations of life in New Testament times, maps, photographs of the Holy Land and the most significant archaeological finds of the past half-century combine to bring alive the times of Jesus in a novel and fascinating way. For all ages. **\$38.45**

All items plus postage. For more info contact Margaret Johnston on 9260 9800 or email margaret.johnston@wa.uca.org.au.

Prayer Calendar

For the week commencing Sunday 22 May:

Please pray for the Strategy & Mission Planning Commission, the Disaster Relief & Recovery Working Group. Please also pray for the Church of South India, including the Jaffna Diocese, Sri Lanka.

For the week commencing Sunday 29 May:

Please pray for The Covenanting Commission and the Rural Ministry Working Group. Please also pray for the National Working Group on Relations with Other Faiths.

For the week commencing Sunday 5 June:

Please pray for All Saints Floreat, St Aidan's Claremont and Swanbourne congregations. Please also pray for the Evangelical Church of New Caledonia and the Loyalty Islands.



Calendar of Events



For more information on these events visit www.unitingchurchwa.org.au

Saturday 21 May	9.00am–12noon	Jumble Sale at Maylands Mt Lawley Uniting Church.
Monday 23 May	9.00am–3.00pm	Pilgrimage to Living Water in Dongara.
Tuesday 24 May	12.30–1.30pm	Alpha in the City at Uniting Church in the City, Trinity Perth.
Thursday 26 May	9.45am–1.45pm	Sorry Day at Wellington Square, East Perth.
Thursday 26 May	10.00am	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea event at Trinity North Uniting Church, Wandoo Road Worship Centre, Duncraig.
Friday 27 May– Friday 3 June	10.00am	National Reconciliation Week.
Saturday 28 May		National Day of Thanks.
Saturday 28 May	9.30am–12.30pm	Introduction to Mandalas Workshop at Margaret River Uniting Church.
Saturday 28 May	9.30am–3.30pm	Safe Church Training at Kalamunda Uniting Church.
Sunday 29 May		Final Service of Worship at Bruce Rock Uniting Church.
Tuesday 31 May	12.30–1.30pm	Alpha in the City at Uniting Church in the City, Trinity Perth.
Wednesday 1 June	12noon–1.15pm	Lunchtime concert with Linda Barcan, mezzo soprano, and Marilyn Phillips on piano at Uniting Church in the City, Ross Memorial West Perth.
Thursday 2 June	10.00am	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea event at Willetton Uniting Church
Friday 3–Monday 6 June		State Youth Games.
Sunday 5 June		World Environment Day.
Saturday 11 June	10.00am–3.00pm	Quiet Day at Margaret River Uniting Church.
Monday 13 June		General Council meeting.
Friday 17– Sunday 19 June		Women's Weekend Away at Swanleigh Conference Centre.

If you are planning an event that you think would be of interest to other people in the Uniting Church community, let us know so we can put it in our calendar. We would also encourage you to contact us during your planning so you can check what other people are doing to avoid diary conflicts.