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This week please send news, photos and event information for the bulletin to tabart.ken.jill@iinet.net.au before 3pm on Thursday.

UCA PRESIDENT URGES PEACE AND PROTECTION OF HUMAN LIFE AMID MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT

President of the Uniting Church in Australia, Rev Charissa Suli, has urgently called for peace and the protection of human life amid the escalating conflict in the Middle East.

In a statement issued today, Rev Suli emphasised that it is civilians bearing the heaviest toll and that war is not an abstract issue but deeply personal – touching families, displacing communities and inflicting long-lasting wounds.



“Many thousands of families now face the uncertainty of displacement and refuge, contributing to a growing humanitarian crisis affecting civilians across the region,” the President said.

“We urge governments and the international community to ensure protection and humanitarian assistance for refugees and displaced people whose lives have been upended by this conflict.”

Her statement also emphasised the Uniting Church’s longstanding commitment to peace, and urged governments and international leaders to prioritise diplomatic solutions, and uphold international law. Rev Suli challenges members of the Uniting Church to respond in faith – through prayer for peace, support for humanitarian efforts, and advocacy for dialogue over destruction.

Next Monday, the President will be hosting an evening of online prayer over Zoom.

Read more [here](#).

UC VicTas Historical Society – Speaker Rev Dr Paul Goh



Why 'We Are A Multicultural Church' matters more 40 years on

Honouring history, embracing the future

Rev. Dr Paul Goh

Advocate for Being a Multicultural Church, Uniting Church in Australia Assembly

2:30pm Sunday 15 March 2026 | Free event | Attend via Zoom link
mobile: 0418 317 942 or email: ken.barelli@bigpond.com



Uniting Church
Historical Society
Synod of Victoria and Tasmania

UC VicTas Uniting Church Historical Society: first event for 2026

Sunday 15 March 2:30 pm, by Zoom only.

Rev Dr Paul Goh (UCA President-Elect) will speak on

'Why the statement that "We are a multi-cultural church" matters more today than ever.'

To register: ken.barelli@bigpond.com or mobile 0418 317 942

Yarra Yarra YASC



Youth and Young Adult Strategy Committee



Yarra Yarra YASC - March 2026

The Yarra Yarra Youth & Young Adult Strategy Committee (YASC) provides a voice for young people across the Yarra Yarra Presbytery, contributing ideas, perspectives & leadership to support mission, faith development, inclusion & engagement of you & young adults in church life.

Sun 15 March 1.00-3.00 pm at Living Faith Church Greensborough.

RSVP to register [here](#)

Kate Clough, Family, Youth & Young Adult Ministry Coordinator, 0411 523 153

LINK FOR LIVE STREAMING THE 10.00AM SERVICE

The 10.00am service is livestreamed on the church's Facebook page every week - you do not need a Facebook account to watch.

[Click here to watch the service online.](#)



We will continue to offer this option for those who may be uncomfortable attending in person for any reason - health, mobility, geography, whatever!



Taizé is a Christian ecumenical monastic community based in France. It's known for simple, meditative form of worship, featuring silent contemplation and modern prayer-songs, particularly during evening prayer.

You can read more about it [here](#).

The [Melbourne Taizé Facebook page](#) has details of ecumenical Taizé services:

† **St Margaret's Anglican Church - 79 Pitt St Eltham**
- held on the last Sunday of the month throughout the year. A simple meal at 5:30 pm in the mud-brick hall, followed by Taizé prayer at 6:30 pm in the Church. All welcome. There's plenty of parking at the Church and across the road.

† **Northcote Taizé Prayer - Uniting Church**
251 High St, Northcote - 1st Saturday of the month (except Jan) Singing. Silence. Pizza. All welcome.

† **All Saints Anglican Church - 1A Archer Ave, Ascot Vale** - 3rd Sunday every month at 5:30 pm

† **Seddon Uniting Church - 71 Gamon St, Seddon** - 7-8 pm on last Sunday each month

Contact: Patricia 0403 223 532

Frontier Services stands firm with flood-affected communities

Recent weeks have brought extraordinary rainfall across parts of remote Australia. After long, dry stretches, communities in western NSW, western Queensland and South Australia are now experiencing widespread rain, rising waterways and a rapidly changing landscape. What begins as welcome relief can quickly become a season of challenge, as shifting conditions bring both renewal and disruption to people living far from regional centres.

As creeks fill and rivers spread across the plains, roads close, access becomes limited and families may find themselves isolated for weeks at a time. Freight delays, cancelled travel and the uncertainty of rising water create pressures that often go unseen by those outside these regions.

Throughout this unfolding season, Frontier Services' Bush Chaplains continue to be a steady presence. They are checking in where they can – by road when possible, by air when required, and by phone when communities become cut off. Their visits and conversations bring reassurance, connection and calm during a time that can feel unpredictable for many remote households.

But at Frontier Services, we know that once the water begins to recede, the demands on families will not ease. There will be fences to repair, properties to clean up, delayed work to catch up on and the ongoing strain that isolation leaves behind. This is where our Outback Links plays a vital role. Volunteers offer practical help and

genuine companionship to families who would otherwise face these challenges alone. A few days of assistance – whether with maintenance, household tasks or simply an extra set of hands – can make a profound difference after weeks of disruption. As conditions continue to evolve across the outback, Frontier Services anticipates a growing need for volunteers ready to stand alongside communities when access returns.

If you feel drawn to lend a hand with Outback Links, you can find out more [here](#).

To those living in affected areas, we hold you in our thoughts and pray you remain safe. To our supporters and volunteers, thank you for ensuring we can continue to walk with remote communities through every season.

Your presence makes our presence possible.

By Millie Hanlon, Marketing & Communications Coordinator for Frontier Services





CHURCH OF ALL NATIONS

What makes CAN CAN?

Over the coming months, Church Council will be inviting the CAN community into some gentle conversations about who we are as a church, what we treasure, and how we are called to live out our faith into the future.

These conversations arise from opportunities to explore closer cooperation with Mark the Evangelist and Northcote Uniting Church. No decisions have been made — this is a time for listening, reflection and shared discernment.

Our first opportunity to gather will be as part of the CAN shared lunch on **Sunday 15 March**, where we'll spend some time reflecting together on what makes CAN CAN. Everyone is welcome.

For those who are unable to attend, please email Katie (catee06@gmail.com) and she will share with you the planned activation prompts so you can still share what you treasure about CAN.



**Walk for justice,
respect and kindness**
Sunday 29 March 2026

1:00 pm – Gather on Princes Bridge with banners and placards

1:30 pm – Walk to Birrarung Marr Lower Terrace (Angel statue)

2:00 pm to 3:30 pm – Speakers and music

The inter-generational event is planned to affirm our multicultural and diverse communities, to stand together as Australians who have come from many lands, with the shared desire to live in peace and security.

We want Australia to remain a welcoming place for all, and especially for those who come here to find safety. Fear and division must not be allowed to tear at the rich fabric of our multicultural society. Consider coming along to support this event.

This event takes place on Palm Sunday in the long tradition of calling for social justice.

The Planning Committee is convened by the Refugee Advocacy Network, working with a wide range of community organisations, unions and ecumenical faith-based networks, including the Victorian Council of Churches, bringing together people to support justice and to stand with refugees.

CAN worship roster to 22 March 2026:

	8 March 2026 PURPLE Lent 3	15 March 2026 PURPLE Lent 4	22 March 2026 PURPLE Lent 5		8 March 2026 PURPLE Lent 3	15 March 2026 PURPLE Lent 4	22 March 2026 PURPLE Lent 5
<u>Preach</u>	Alister P	Alister P	Alister P	<u>Property</u>	Ken T	Brendan C	Ian B
<u>Liturgy or Prayers</u>	Jill T	Sue C	<i>Prayers of People: Shiny I</i>	<u>Offering</u>	Shiny I Noyuri L	Ken T Brendan C	Ian B ? Michelle A
<u>PP Prep</u>	Jill T	Evan R	Jill T	<u>Hosp 1</u>	Julie P	Jean E	Sue C
<u>Music</u>	Donna C	Jean E	Glen W	<u>Hosp 2</u>	Shiny I	Kate E	Brendan C
<u>Camera</u>	Ethan K	Jeff J	? Ethan K	<u>Flowers</u>	Jill T	Jill T	Greta B
<u>Read</u>	Jean D	Katie E	Jill T	<u>HC</u>	-	-	-
<u>AV</u>	Ian B	Ken T	Ian B	<u>Chn Min</u>	Ken T Fiona M	Jill T Shiny I	Kate E Mark S
<u>Greet</u>	Ken T	Jill T	Shirley J MacN				

THIS WEEK AT CAN

Friday 6 Mar @ 1.30pm - Lenten study 3 by zoom

Saturday 7 Mar @ 9.30am - CAN choir in church

Sunday 8 Mar @ 10am - Worship at CAN

Monday 9 Mar - Labour Day Public Holiday - CAN Community Support closed

Wednesday 11 Mar @ 12pm - Community lunch in Dyson Hall

Wednesday 11 Mar @ 7.45am - weekly online Holy Communion

Wednesday 11 Mar @ 7.30pm - Christians for Yoorook 2nd online study

Saturday 14 Mar @ 9.30am - CAN Choir practice in Church

Sunday 15 Mar @ 11.30am - CAN Congregation shared lunch including conversation about future of CAN ministry/mission

EARLY WEDNESDAY ONLINE HOLY COMMUNION

Every Wednesday from 7.45 to 8.15 am - all are welcome to participate in this weekly, quiet, reflective service online.

Each provides their own piece of bread & wine/juice.

A fresh zoom link is being used for 2026:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86729575044?pwd=4o9MhCnwWtQAWX6c0qMHaqGDa9THbP.1>

Meeting ID: 867 2957 5044

Passcode: 404804



CAN Congregation - Offerings to the Church of All Nations Parish Mission

Your offerings support the ministry and mission of the congregation. The Congregation budget contributes the major component of the Community Support budget as well as ministry costs and other mission support.

Offerings can be made during the church service OR by regular bank transfer. Bank transfers can be regular as weekly, fortnightly, monthly Offerings, OR as an occasional offering

Bank details are:

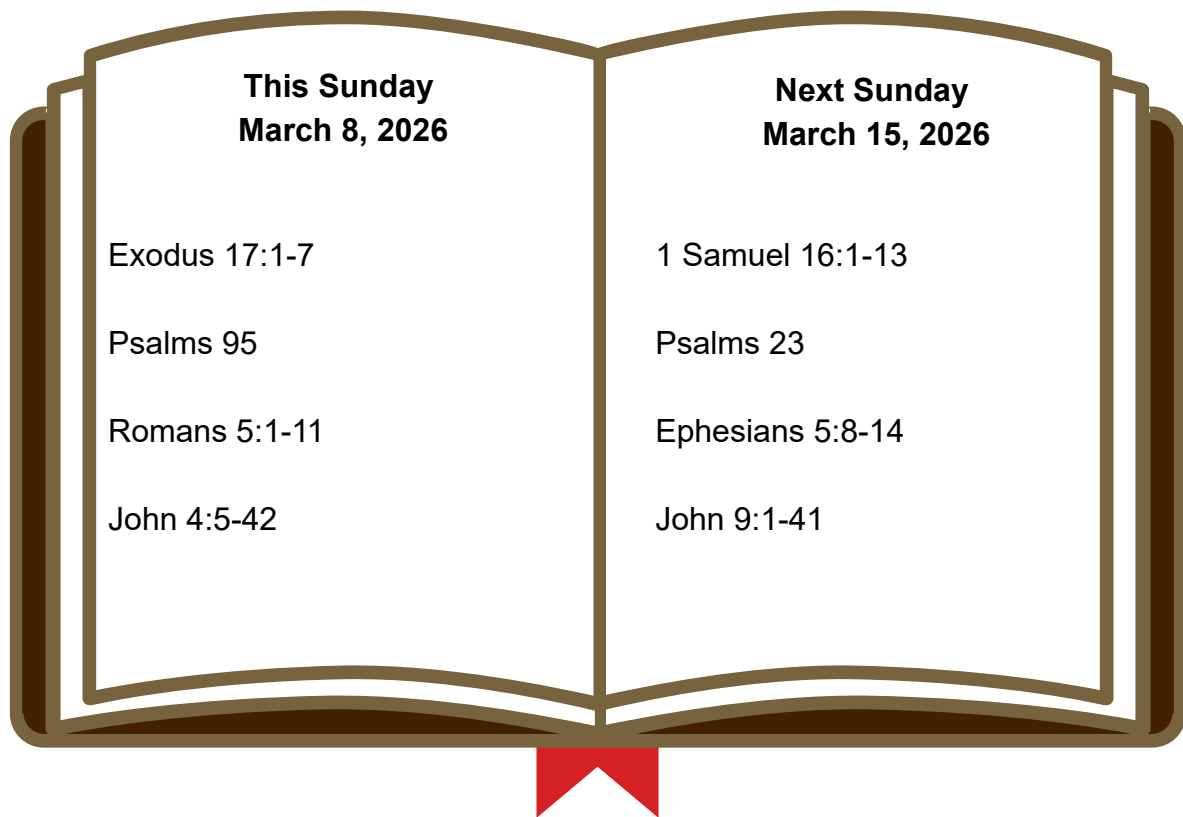
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Account No: 191446954

Name: Church of All Nations of Carlton



Lectionary Bible Readings



Donations to CAN Community Support

Donations to CAN Community Support are tax deductible and can be made online at www.givenow.com.au/canparishmission, in person at CAN Community Support's Administration Office (Tuesday - Thursday) in the CCS Centre, OR by bank transfer as follows:

Bendigo Bank BSB: 633000

Account No: 191170380

Name: CAN Community Support

