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Please send news, photos and events for the bulletin to contact@cancarlton.org.au before 3pm on Thursday.

CONGREGATION SHARED LUNCH

Next Sunday, 17th May,
it's our alternate-month
shared finger-food lunch,
following morning worship:
11.30 am.
Don't forget your plate of
food to share!



CAN CHOIR FOR PENTECOST MUSIC

Jean Evans invites all who love to sing to join in practices
on **Sat 16th and 23rd May, 9.30 am in the Church.**



VICTORIAN UAICC ROLES FILLED



Two important roles have been filled as part of ongoing support for the work of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress in Victoria.

UAICC Victoria Regional Committee (UAICC Vic/Congress) was reformed in 2024, and the two placements have been created to support the ministry and mission of Congress in Victoria, with their office located at the Centre for Theology and Ministry in Parkville. Sean Weetra fills one of those placements as a lay person and began ministry in the role on Monday (May 4). Former Weeroona Uniting Church minister Uncle Rev Will Pickett will fill the other placement and commences in the role on Monday (May 11). Sean is a Ngarrindjeri, Kaurna and Narungga man from Raukkan in South Australia. Read on [here](#).



CHOIRS IN THE ROUND

FEATURING...

MELBOURNE
MASS GOSPEL
CHOIR

THE RAGLINS

GORANI

THURSDAY'S
CHILDREN

THE CHURCH OF ALL
NATIONS PRESENTS AN
AFTERNOON OF MUSIC
ON

SUNDAY

24

MAY, 2026 - 2 PM

180 PALMERSTON ST,
CARLTON

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| GENERAL ADMISSION | \$35 |
| CONCESSION | \$20 |
| UNDER 15 FREE | |
| AFTERNOON TEA | \$5 |

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE CONTINUED WORK OF CAN COMMUNITY SUPPORT, PROVIDING FOOD SECURITY, COMMUNITY AND EDUCATION IN CARLTON AND SURROUNDS



GET TICKETS [HERE!](#)

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!



The Dignity We Share:

Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Perspectives on Faith, Identity and Human Worth

Join leading scholars and faith leaders from Judaism, Christianity and Islam as we explore the meaning and limits of human dignity.

Monday 29 – Tuesday 30 June 2026



TRINITY COLLEGE
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THE UNIVERSITY OF
MELBOURNE

Three great traditions all claim a belief in the intrinsic dignity of every human being, but have these beliefs failed in practice?

Join leading scholars and faith leaders from Judaism, Christianity, and Islam as we explore the meaning and limits of human dignity. This conference moves beyond shared ideals to ask harder questions: Where have our traditions fallen short, and what tensions, silences, and contested ideas continue to shape how dignity, identity, and belonging are understood today?

Featuring keynote speakers Dr Jerusha Rhodes, Dr Joshua Ralston, and Rabbi Alison Conyer, the program will examine how religious traditions have both shaped and strained moral responsibility in contexts of exclusion, inequality, and global tension, challenging participants to reckon honestly with the past and reimagine more just and compassionate futures.

Tickets

Tickets: \$75 (full price) | \$35 (concession) Includes morning & afternoon tea and lunch. Book [here!](#)

For any enquiries, please contact tcts@trinity.edu.au



CAN Community Support

A WORD FROM CAN COMMUNITY SUPPORT

This week the community centre has been a hive of activity with people coming for food, or needing support to complete forms, and a number of people presenting in crisis to get support. One of our community lunch cooks, Lian, loves to structure her meals around a theme, and this week she put together some beautiful packs with sweets to celebrate Mothers' Day. Our Multicultural Women's Group got together and shared pampering tips and tricks with some fun recipes for skin and hair care. We give a special shout out to our Thursday fresh food market team who battled through to ensure there was fresh fruit and vegies aplenty for our community on Thursday morning even in the rushing rain and wind. They are faithful indeed!

We are looking forward to our annual "Choirs in the Round" Fundraiser on May 24 and we are still looking for donations from people of baked goods to sell for afternoon tea to bolster our fundraising efforts. If you are able to contribute a treat for afternoon tea on the day (baked our bought is fine!) please contact the office (9347-7077) or send an email to admin@cancarlton.org.au to let us know of your intention to provide something so we know how much we will have. NB: apologies for the error in last week's newsletter which advertised May 21 – it is definitely on May 24.

Our thoughts are with you all this Mothers' Day whatever it may bring – we are so grateful for the gift of mothering, and all those who give as mothers, in all shapes and forms.

Virginia Moebus-Nelson, EO

FOR THE LOVE OF OUR NEIGHBOURS: THE UCA'S CALL TO END FOSSIL FUELS

By UCA minister Rev. Meredith Williams



The Uniting Church in Australia has always understood that faith without action is incomplete. Our Assembly Strategy 2026–31 calls us to use our voice and our actions to confront injustice — not just within our own borders, but across the world. Nowhere is that prophetic call more urgent than in the global fight against climate change. As a church committed to Liberating Justice, we are called to stand with those on the front lines of the climate crisis: our First Peoples, and our Pacific Island neighbours whose very existence is threatened by rising seas.

That is why the Uniting Church's involvement in the campaign for a global Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty is not a distraction from our mission — it is our mission. UCA minister Rev. Meredith Williams, writing on behalf of the Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC), makes the case for why people of faith have a unique and urgent role to play — and what the Uniting Church is being asked to do right now.

ARRCC is a multi-faith, member-based organisation committed to taking action on climate change. Established in 2007, ARRCC brings together people of faith from all over Australia to work towards a more just and sustainable future. ARRCC's mission is to mobilise faith communities and leaders to advocate and campaign for urgent reduction in carbon emissions, a fossil fuel phase-out and a just transition to renewable energy.

In ARRCC we believe people of faith have a unique contribution to make to the Climate Justice / Climate Action movement, drawing on our spiritual resources, practices and networks as we put our faith into action. Working together across different traditions adds weight and urgency to the cause. It strengthens, surprises and inspires.

One of our main aims for 2026 involves working with like-minded organisations in Australia to push for a federal government commitment to a fossil fuel phase out and an end to fossil fuel exports. The current government is pretty solid when it comes to the domestic transition towards renewables, but they are woeful in terms of phasing out new coal and gas projects for exports (since coming into office in 2022 they have approved 34 of them). Australia is a huge fossil fuel exporter. Our emissions from exports dwarf our domestic emissions.

Our other aims for 2026 include continuing to support our Indigenous peoples in protection of country and our Pacific Island neighbours in their fight for climate survival.

In keeping with our afore mentioned goals, ARRCC's main campaign focus for 2026 will be on supporting and advancing the global movement to end the burning of fossil fuels, the single biggest factor driving global heating and climate change.

As well as working with like-minded environmental organisations in Australia, ARRCC aligns with faith-based climate groups around the world. The 'greenfaith' movement is gathering momentum globally, with religious organisations active in Asia-Pacific, Africa, Europe, the Middle East, North and South America. The WCC and the Roman Catholic Church are major players in this global network. ARRCC is a member of GreenFaith International and the International Climate Action Network.

Read more from Rev Williams [here!](#)

CAN 3-week worship roster to 17 May 2026:

| | 10 May WHITE Easter 6 | 17 May WHITE Easter 7 <i>Congregation lunch</i> | 24 May WHITE Easter 8 <i>PENTECOST Choir</i> | | 10 May WHITE Easter 6 | 17 May WHITE Easter 7 <i>Congregation lunch</i> | 24 May WHITE Easter 8 <i>PENTECOST Choir</i> |
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| <u>Preach</u> | Alister P | Alister P | Pam K | <u>Property</u> | Ian B Mark S | Ken T Mark S | David J |
| <u>Liturgy of Prayers</u> | Jean D (prayers) | Jill T | Sue C | <u>Offering</u> | Ian B Ethan K | Ken T Michelle A | David J Ian B |
| <u>PP Prep</u> | Evan R | Jill T | Pam K | <u>Hosp 1</u> | Kate E | Julie P | Shirley J |
| <u>Music</u> | Donna C | Jean E | Donna C | <u>Hosp 2</u> | Mark S | Shiny I | Jill T |
| <u>Camera</u> | Jeff J | Ethan K | Jeff J | <u>Flowers</u> | Greta B | Shirley J | Jill T |
| <u>Read</u> | Greta B | Kate E | Shirley J | <u>HC</u> | - | - | - |
| <u>AV</u> | Ian B | Ken T | David J | <u>Chn Min</u> | Kate E Mark S | Kate M Mark S | Ken T Shiny I |
| <u>Greet</u> | Ken T | Mac N Shirley J | Jill T | | | | |



THIS WEEK WITH CAN

Wednesday 13 May @ 7.45am - online Holy Communion

@ 7.30pm - Yoorrook online study 4

Saturday 16 May @ 9.30am - CAN Choir Practice in the Church

Sunday 17 May @ 10.00am - Worship in Church

@11.15am - CAN Congregation bring-&-share lunch

@ 2.30pm - Historical Society @ Queen's College (Rev Bruce Barber)

EARLY WEDNESDAY ONLINE HOLY COMMUNION

Every Wednesday from 7.45 to 8.15am - 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:

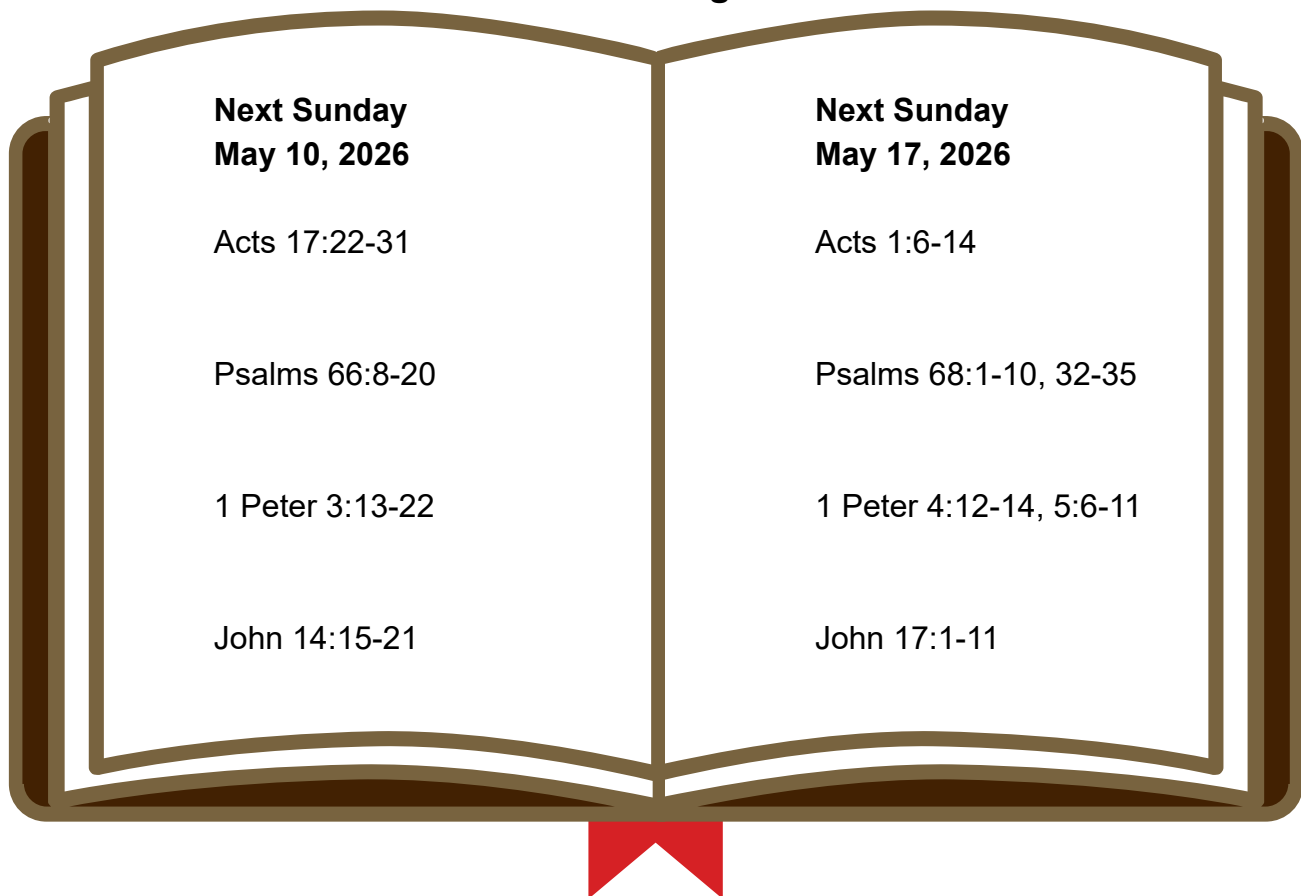
Bendigo Bank BSB: 633000

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

