

Rosters

Readers (Castlemaine)

5 Oct: Simon Briggs
12 Oct: Jenny Horner

Morning tea (Castlemaine)

5 Oct: Thirla Frankling, Peter Cole
12 Oct: Lyn Ellery, Nola Stewart

Flowers (Castlemaine)

5 Oct: Fay White
12 Oct: Margaret Rees Jones

Counting money (Castlemaine)

5 Oct: Marilyn Thompson, Bev Straw
12 Oct: Peter Cole, Jim Foley

Elders on duty

Oct: Karyn Moloney, Bev Campbell



Readers (Harcourt)

5 Oct: Solway
12 Oct: Nola

Cleaning, morning tea (Harcourt)

Oct: Jan & friends

Flowers (Harcourt)

Oct: Diane & Marie

This week

Sun 5 Oct: **Daylight saving** begins! Clocks 'spring' forward one hour

Tues: **Prayer meeting**, C'maine Church, 11am

Wed: **Dad's Army** cuppa, Garden Shed
Castlemaine Church, 10am

Thurs: **Newstead congregation coffee**, Dig
Café, Newstead, 1.30pm

Fri: **Harcourt Coffee Hour**, Harcourt General
Store, 10am

Fri: **Peace vigil labyrinth walk** at Christ
Church Anglican, 5pm, a joint Anglican and
Uniting Church initiative



Castlemaine District Uniting Church

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Parish Minister

Rev Sarah Tomilson

Phone: 0433 508 315 (not Monday)

Castlemaine District Uniting Church recognises that
we meet on Dja Dja Wurrung Country. We
acknowledge their Elders with respect and pray for
reconciliation and justice for all First Peoples.

5 October 2025

Blessing of the Animals
Communion Sunday

Services

Rev Sarah Tomilson
9am at Harcourt Uniting Church
10.30am at Castlemaine Uniting Church



Readings

Genesis 1:26-31
Psalm 148
Luke 12:22-34

Prayer

We hold in prayer and love: Helen Johnstone, Merle Jenkins, Jim & Janet Trudgeon, Brendan Walker, Keith Loiterton, Robyn Yeoward, Karyn Moloney, Bev & Wes Campbell, Ian & Alleyne Hockley, Adrian & Alison Pegler.

Please let Sarah know if you wish to be removed from the prayer list. If you know of someone in need of prayer, please speak to Sarah or one of the elders. Also, always ask permission before suggesting someone for the prayer list. Blessings, Sarah

Christmas is coming

It's October. Christmas is rapidly approaching. [Uniting](#) Christmas cards will soon be available. As usual, there are six designs. This year a pack of 10 cards costs \$15.00 – still a good price for the lovely cards. Let's remember too, that the funds raised go to help those in dire need in our communities throughout Victoria and Tasmania.

Watch this space for further details. Marie Twyford, Castlemaine UC Parish

Working with children

When applying for a Working with Children card, the government now requires applicants to include an organisation email address. The Uniting Church's dedicated email is: wwccr@victas.uca.org.au.

Please find more information/instructions on your church notice board. Jan Jenkin

Moving help

Jude and Bella are moving house this coming week and would appreciate some assistance. If you can help, please see Jude after the service on Sunday morning.

Contact

If you have information for the news sheet, please contact Josh Meadows: joshuameadows@bigpond.com

Lots to read in Crosslight

The latest edition of the Uniting Church magazine [Crosslight](#) is now available in our church foyers. There are a stack of interesting stories including pieces on the nature of prayer, social inequality, art and worship, congregations tackling climate change and our 40-year association with the Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress.

Safe space fundraiser

[Castlemaine Safe Space](#) is having a function at Campbells Creek Community Centre on Friday 24 October. There will be live music from Bob Wills' Poor Relations and the Sweet Patooties, the opportunity for dancing, a supper, raffle and more. It's to raise funds (and awareness) for Castlemaine Safe Space and the work it does.

Book at www.trybooking.com/DFTTG

Spring's treasures concert

Coming up: 'Spring's Treasures' concert at Harcourt Church. Instrumental items, story and song. Donations to Asylum Seekers Welcome Centre. Sunday 26 October. Save the date!



Above: Eastern yellow robin on nest, Rise & Shine reserve, pic Geoff Park, [Natural Newstead](#)