

Rosters



Readers (Castlemaine)

15 Mar: TBA

22 Mar: TBA

Morning tea (Castlemaine)

15 Mar: Lyn Ellery, Sarah Frazer

22 Mar: Lyn & Terry McCredden

Flowers (Castlemaine)

Flower roster will start from Easter Sunday

Counting money (Castlemaine)

15 Mar: Stephen Connelly, John Boyle

22 Mar: Barbara Wayn, Lyn Ellery

Elders on duty

Mar: Lyn Ellery, Karyn Moloney



Readers (Harcourt)

15 Mar: Bob (Harvest Thanksgiving)

22 Mar: Stephen

Cleaning, morning tea (Harcourt)

Mar: Marie & friends

Flowers (Harcourt)

No flowers during Lent

Prayer

We hold in prayer and love: everyone affected by the Harcourt bushfires, as well as Merle Jenkins, Bev & Wes Campbell, Ian & Alleyne Hockley, Adrian & Alison Pegler, George Milford, Peter Cole.

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. Thank you, Sarah



Castlemaine District Uniting Church

consisting of the churches of Castlemaine and Harcourt
and the faith communities Sipwell and Yandoit Sacred

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.

15 March 2026

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Rev Sarah Tomilson

9am Harvest Sunday at Harcourt Uniting
10.30am at Castlemaine Uniting



Readings

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm 23

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

This week

Sat: **Yandoit Sacred**, Yandoit Bush Church, 2.30pm

Mon: **Shared Reading**, Toy Library, 2pm

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

W: **Lenten meditation**, C'maine Chapel, 8am

W: **Arcare** worship service, 1.30pm

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

Sat: **Autumn Singing Sipwell**, Castlemaine Chapel, 5pm to 6.30, followed by supper.

Florence Stevens

It is with great sadness we share the news of the passing of our dear sister in Christ, Florence Stevens. Her memorial service will be held at the Mount Alexander Funeral Chapel, Wednesday 18 March, 2.30pm.

Feb, March birthdays

Teeshia will host a morning tea for those who had/have a birthday in February and March. Monday 16 March, 10.30am, 108 Lyttleton St.

Lent: morning meditations

Exploring the vivid yet mysterious wisdom of the 'I Am' statements of Jesus in the Gospel of John, then moving into a time of meditation, before finishing with a song. All welcome. Arrive at 7.55am for an 8am start. Wednesday mornings 18/3 and 25/3 in the Castlemaine UC chapel. A joint offering of the Anglican and Uniting Churches.

Enquiries: Danni Moore, 5472 1132.

Name badges

Would anyone like a name badge? If yes, please see Teeshia.

Palm Sunday

We'll celebrate our fifth Sunday of the month Parish Service on Palm Sunday, 29 March, at Castlemaine Uniting Church at 10.30am.

Church picnic

Save the date. A Church picnic! Palm Sunday, 29 March, at midday, in the Castlemaine Botanical Gardens. More details to come.

Barry's 80th

Also on Sunday 29 March... also at the Castlemaine Botanical Gardens... Barry Thomson and his family will celebrate his 80th birthday from 1pm 'til dusk. BYO everything. All are welcome to drop by.

Easter services

Maundy Thursday 2 April, C'maine, 7pm

Good Friday 3 April, Harcourt 9am, Castlemaine 10am

Easter Sunday 5 April, Harcourt 9am, Castlemaine 10.30am

Wednesday men's group

Peter Cole is organising a men's group to meet for a cuppa and a chat in the shed on the Castlemaine church grounds on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. First meeting on Wed 18 March at 9.30am. If you can make it, please let Peter know – at church or by phone: 0427 724 280.

Sermons online

If you want to catch up on a sermon you missed (or would like to hear again), they're online at <https://soundcloud.com/uca-castlemaine/tracks> and <https://castlemaine.ucavictas.org.au/news/>

Contact

If you have information for next week's news sheet, please contact Josh Meadows: joshuameadows@bigpond.com

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