

## OCTOBER 2025 DIARY

<b>Sun 5</b>	<b>8.50 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
Tue 7	9:30 am	Study Group All Welcome
Wed 8	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
Thu 9	6:30 pm	Church Council
Sat 11	6:30pm	Youth Group
<b>Sun 12</b>	<b>8.50 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
Tue 14	9.30 am	Study Group All Welcome
Wed 15	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
<b>Sun 19</b>	<b>8.50 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
Tue 21	in recess	Study Group resumes. Next week
Wed 22	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
	Midday	Information for <b>October Vine</b> please
Sat 25	6:30pm	Youth Group
<b>Sun 26</b>	<b>8.50 am</b>	<b>Worship. Baptism Gracie May Kable</b>
Tue 28	9.30 am	Study Group All welcome
Wed 29	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
Fri 31	10.00 am	Pinjarra Adult Fellowship

**Pinjarra Adult Fellowship** meet the 4th Friday of each month at 10am, except January and December. We are an informal group which meet for fellowship to encourage one another, support activities of our church and organise the annual 'At Home' our meetings are open to everyone.



*On Friday 31st we will be having a Morning Tea.*



I am the Vine.  
You are the  
Branches  
John 15.5

**Pinjarra Uniting Church**

# Pinjarra Vine

## OCTOBER 2025

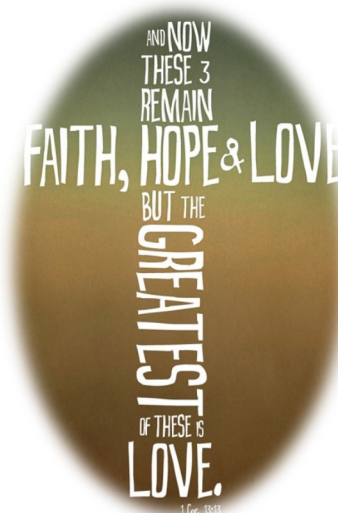


**Our Mission Statement**

*'To be the Face of God in the Community'*

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**A warm Welcome to Everyone** *worshiping with us today.*  
*Please feel free to stay for fellowship and a cuppa after worship.*  
*For those with **HEARING AIDS**. There is a hearing loop in the*  
*main body of the worship area.*



**People to contact for information or assistance**

**Church Council Chairperson:** Trevor Beer Ph. 0418 932 243

**Ministry Team Leader:** Arthur Morrell Ph. 08 9531 1244

Pinjarra Uniting Church is a safe place for all people to worship, regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background or sexual orientation. All are welcome.

## This Week

### SAVE THE DATE:

### OLDER PERSONS SUNDAY

**5th OCTOBER**

#### TUESDAY

**9.30am—I I am**

**STUDYGROUP** Our study guide is 'With Love To The World' Any enquires see Kerrie Birch 0409 530 327 All welcome.

Uniting Church congregations and communities are encouraged to celebrate Older Persons .



**Sunday , 5th October** the first Sunday in October. This opportunity to recognise the human rights and dignity of older people in worship was endorsed by the Uniting Church in 2022

#### WEDNESDAY

**8am or 8pm PRAYER CIRCLE**

where you are. Praying for those who need prayer.

## THE FIVE MARKS OF MISSION

**TELL:** Share the Good News of Jesus Christ

**TREASURE:**  
Safeguard & Care for Creation

**TEACH:**  
Nurture new Believers in the Faith

**TRANSFORM:** Address Injustice & Promote Reconciliation

**TEND:** Offer Loving Service



## WORSHIP LEADER & READINGS: October 5—26

<b>October 5</b> Green	Kerrie Birch Pentecost 17	Lamentations 1:1-6, Lamentations 3: 19-26, 2 Timothy 1:1-14, Luke 17: 5-10.
<b>October 12</b> Green	Trevor Thomas Pentecost 18	Jeremiah 29:1,4-7, Psalm 66:1-12, 2 Timothy 2:8-15, Luke 17:11-19.
<b>October 19</b> Green	Karen Burke Pentecost 19	Jeremiah 31:27-34, Psalm 119:97-104, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5, Luke 18:1-8.
<b>October 26</b> Green	Neil Illingworth Pentecost 20	Joel 2:23-32, Psalm 65, 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18, Luke 18:9-14.

## OCTOBER ROSTERS: October 5—26

DATE	October 5	October 12	October 19	October 26
Song Leader	Linda Trewern the song leader for October			
Light Candle Reader	Daniel Burke	Lyn Donald	Jim Landells	Edmund Burke
Power Point	Neil Illingworth	Kerrie Birch	Neil Illingworth	Dannielle Atkinson
Welcome	Olive Morrell & Lyn Donald	Rhonda Ducker & Jane Rickman	Olive Morrell & Sylvia Smith	Kaye Hyde & Sylvia Smith
Morning Tea	Sylvia Smith	Trish Crocker	Kaye Hyde	Olive Morrell
Mowing	Arthur Morrell will kindly do the mowing for October			

Thank you to those who contribute to the smooth running of our congregation.

We need MORE VOLUNTEERS to fill the rosters. If you can help please speak to Dannielle

## This & That

### CARDS FOR YOUTHCARE

Card making. We have a great stock of Birthday, Get Well, Congratulations, and other cards. They are on display and if you have a special request let us know.



There will be a **FAIRTRADE DISPLAY** in the hall  
**Sunday 5th October**

*Fairtrade is about better prices, decent working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing world.*

*Always look for Fairtrade products they can be found in our local supermarket.*



## THINGS PINJARRA UCA COLLECT!

### CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE—raising funds for YouthCARE

Aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 3L Containers marked with a 10cent stamp can be saved.

Make sure you take off the lids

There is a Wheelie Bin in the back porch of the Church for the collection of cans. All funds go to YouthCARE

### 5C COINS

go in the **Frontier Services** 'Piggy Bank'. There are sent to our Patrol Partner (Pilbara Patrol) for things for outback children.

Thank you all who contribute.

## Praying Together

We invite you to join us praying for these people and situations

### Matters for Prayer

#### Synod & Wider Church

Ecumenical Affairs Network,  
Ministerial Benefits Committee,  
Placements Commission,  
Synod Sexual Misconduct—  
Complaints Committee,  
Committee for Discipline.

#### Local Church

Pastoral Carers  
Church Council  
Ministry Team  
Adult Fellowship  
Youth Group  
Year 12 Students

#### People who would appreciate your prayers

Annie Dodson  
Olive & Arthur  
Mal, Rhonda & Kerrie's nephew  
Kaye's Sons Brian and Jason  
Bev's granddaughters expecting babies this month  
Bedingfeld residences  
Karen & her sons.  
Your prayer partner  
Let us know the people who need prayer this month.

#### Our Bush Chaplain

Pilbara Patrol: Rev David Jackson  
Gascoyne: John Tomkins  
Mid-West: Erica Payne  
Kalgoorlie: Lindsay Ginn  
Meekatharra: Mitch Fiakowski

#### **PLEASE NOTE**

*If you have a prayer need please speak to :*

**Kerrie Birch 0409 530 327 or**

**Email:**

**carramaridge@bigpond.com**

### Special Celebrations

#### October Birthdays

3rd. Daniel Kipping  
21st. Bev Brotchie  
22nd. Olive Morrell  
25th. Lily Rose & Evie Rae  
27th. Ruby  
28th. Maureen Lamb  
30th. Daniel Burke



#### Wedding Anniversaries



8th. Hilary & Neil Illingworth

*Has your special day been missed?  
Let Hilary Illingworth know your birthday  
and other special dates and we are most  
happy to recognise them.*





## MINISTRY TEAM NOTES SEPTEMBER 21ST MEETING



Arthur Morrell  
Team Leader

Our team was in full attendance with Trevor Thomas leading us in devotions from Matthew 8, 13. The faith of the centurion gives us a vision of Your world where we all work for You, Lord.

Pastoral concerns are always before us and are ongoing in our prayers and thoughts.

The Ministers fellowship on Wednesday 17th September was poorly attended with many away on leave. We're looking forward to the 15th October meeting where we should have many more reps.

Karen reported the youth had a fun night with one new boy joining in and one who had been absent most of the year has returned.

Kerrie will be conducting an infant Baptism for Daniel and Kate Kable's daughter, Gracie May Kable on 26th October.

**Feedback from Fund raising effort for Frontier Services-** Sausage sizzle was deemed very successful with a total of \$1,327 raised. Thank you to everyone who made this such a success.

### **Report from Synod from Trevor Thomas and Kerrie.**

Trevor shared of miracles that are happening: BKI have over 100 children in their Sunday school and are bursting at the seams with a congregation of 180 adults.

The Port Headland church has a new congregation which has filled a Church that was once empty.

Trevor informed the Team that he is our learning partner—meaning that he liaises with CEDAL and the congregation for their input.

Trevor T also voiced his concerns about Not being heard when bringing his message. This is being addressed as best as we can we thank the congregation for their input.

Yours in Christ

Arthur Morrell  
Team leader 21st September 2025

## Easy Cheese Scones Recipe

### Ingredients

- 2 C SR Flour of your choice
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon mustard powder
- ½ teaspoon paprika
- ½ cup grated cheddar tasty cheese
- 3 tablespoons oil
- ½ cup milk
- ½ cup water



### Method

- Preheat your oven to 200°C.
- Place all the dry ingredients into a mixing bowl.
- Add the milk, water, and oil to the bowl.
- Mix everything together until just combined.
- Drop spoonfuls of the mixture onto a warmed baking sheet.
- Bake in the preheated oven for 10 to 15 minutes.
- Allow the scones to cool, then cut and butter them.
- Enjoy your freshly baked cheese scones!

Thanks to Heather Hunter

If you have a recipe to share please contact Trish Crocker :

Email: trishvic1943@gmail.com 0428 371 033





Kickstart your Advent and Christmas worship planning on **Wednesday, 29 October, 9:30am–2:00pm**. Bring past ideas to share, gain fresh inspiration, and collaborate with colleagues in a creative and supportive space.

This opportunity is open to ministers, pastors, lay preachers, ministry candidates (Phase 2 & 3), Period of Discernment candidates, and worship teams.

**Register now by going to news and notes**

Let's shape a meaningful Advent and Christmas season together

## NOTES FROM COUNCIL September 2025

Trevor Beer opened the meeting with a reading from James 1:19

The thought for the day: "When I am slow to anger, I honour God".

The Bible Study Group have welcomed a new participant in Penny, from the Family Church. We are happy to welcome new participants both to Bible Study and the UCAF.

The UCAF Group will be visiting Araluen on Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> for the

Spring flower festival, all are welcome to join us.

Youth Group had a lovely "back to Kindergarten Night". It was great fun.

Treasurer's Report: The balance of the working account on August 31<sup>st</sup> was \$ 14,715.81

As always, anyone who would like a copy of the Minutes, please contact either Trish or Olive. It can be easily arranged.

*Trish Crocker*

Council Secretary

## LECTIONARY THEMES: OCTOBER 2025.

As the Pentecost Theme continues: The people see God's glory in what is happening around them.

The theme for October is. **God is faithful.**

**Pentecost 17. October 5. Faith as big as a mustard seed.**

**Lamentations 1: 1-6.** How lonely lies Jerusalem

**Psalms 137.** We wept when we remembered Zion.

**Luke 17: 5-10.** We have done our duty.

**Pentecost 18. October 12. Listen and respond.**

**Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7.** Listen to what I say to you.

**Psalms 66: 1-12.** Sing praises to glory of his name.

**Luke 17: 11-19.** Your faith has made you well.

**Pentecost 19. October 19. A covenant of love.**

**Jeremiah 31: 27-34.** I will make a new covenant.

**Psalms 119: 97-104.** How I love your law.

**Luke 18: 1-8.** Always pray.

**Pentecost 20. October 26. Ask and receive.**

**Joel 2: 23-32.** Ask the Lord for help.

**Psalms 65.** Show your care for the land.

**Luke 18: 9-14.** God have pity on me.

In October Pentecost leads us to All Saints in November.



## SUMMER SPIRIT 2026

**Walking Together,  
Covenanting Together**

**20 & 21 February 2026**

All Saints Floreat Uniting Church

**Save the date for this popular annual event!**

**Keynote speakers and program highlights will be announced soon.**

Last year we celebrated 30 years of the Covenant between the Uniting Church in Australia and the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress. Summer Spirit 2026 will give us an opportunity to hear the story of Congress, listen to the joys and challenges of First Peoples, and renew our commitment to the Covenanting process.

Put the dates in your diary now and let us walk and covenant together.

### Seeking Expressions of Interest - Artworks

The Summer Spirit team are seeking expressions of interest from people who would like to create artistic works based on the theme Walking Together, Covenanting Together. If you are interested in contributing please contact Mahshid Zadeh - [pa.education@wa.uca.org.au](mailto:pa.education@wa.uca.org.au)



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## Red Dove Experience Cafe at Bunbury Uniting



### Red Dove Experience Cafe

***"Last year, Thrive Mission Committee approved the most recent Mission Plan for Bunbury St Augustine Uniting Church. The Mission Plan is grounded on our Mission Statement 'To be the Church that welcomes and inspires all people so that they are empowered to use their talents to serve God's Mission'."***

Rev Greg Ross, Minister at St Augustine Uniting Church in Bunbury tells the story of the **Red Dove Experience Cafe**, a church and community partnership in Bunbury seeking to enable people of all abilities to learn hospitality, food preparation and barista skills in a supportive environment.

*With God  
all things are possible!*

## 49<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SYNOD OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA



Wesley College Goatcher Auditorium

Angelo and Coode Streets South Perth

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025

### Saturday Session

In the absence of Rev Robbie Jetta and Rev Mitchell Garlett the Moderator gave the acknowledgement to country, welcomed the meeting to the Wesley College and presented the opening worship.

Proposal A: Meeting procedure

Order of business

Confirmation of minutes

Roll of Synod

Ballots and nominating procedures

Nominations

Appointment of Chaplains

Appointment of others

Chairing sessions

Reception of reports

All accepted on consensus.

Moderator Report: Ian spoke on the meaning of the word Synod being "A group on the way." With our church experiencing a period of intense difficulty he recognised that our church could not exist with the work of volunteers."

Accepted by consensus

General Secretary Report: Andrew informed the meeting of a part time consultant (Michael Barr) to assist in the "Strategic Planning Policy." It is hoped that this would lead to an improved procedure with regard to the way congregations can apply for funding. The report also speaks of the Revive magazine being withheld from production throughout 2026 as only one person is now responsible for its production.

Accepted by consensus

Minute of appreciation for Tim Fallows (Executive officer finance) who has resigned.

### Synod Committee & Commission Reports:

Board of Finance & Investment

Church Law

Committee for Counselling

Committee for Discipline



Mission Resourcing Committee  
Placement Commission  
Sexual misconduct Complaints Committee  
Synod Standing Committee  
Synod Property Board  
Uniting Care WA Forum  
Uniting Church Adult Fellowship  
All reports were accepted by consensus

Minute of Appreciation for retiring officer finance Fiona Bentley

Proposal H: Changes to by law S5.2 Synod Standing Committee  
Approved by consensus

Assembly report: presented by Charissa Suli and Andrew Johnson (General Secretary Assembly).

The meeting was informed of the Rev Dr Paul Goh being elected as President elect on the conclusion of Rev Charissa's period as president. There has been widespread work in relation to Social Justice and a "Uniting World Sunday" will take place shortly. The National Conference of the Fijian church members will take place here in Perth in 2026. The NSW body of the UCA have recently had to reduce from having 12 Presbytery's down to 3.  
Approved by consensus

Past Moderator Susy Thomas introduced the candidates for Moderator Elect. Initially there were three names to put forward to the meeting, however, two of them declined to have their names put forward citing family reasons. This presented the meeting with a dilemma because according to the by laws no less than two names must be put forward to the Synod.

After careful consideration and deliberation a proposal was put to the Synod to allow special circumstances for this one meeting (2025) only. This in effect gave permission for the one name to be put to the meeting.

After the Moderator Elect Ballot later in the day **Rev David Jackson** was duly elected as Moderator Elect.

Nomination Committee Report  
Presbytery Report  
Property Trust Report  
Were all approved by consensus

There was an acknowledgement of Uniting Church Adult Fellowship, followed by a minute of appreciation for Helen Mc Millan.



A special meeting of the Synod of WA

*You're invited* 

**Installation of  
Rev David Jackson  
as Moderator**

**Saturday  
25 October  
2.00pm  
Mount Pleasant  
Uniting Church**



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### **Installation of Rev David Jackson as Moderator**

***All are welcome to the Installation of Rev David Jackson as Moderator of the Uniting Church in Western Australia.***

In a special meeting of the Synod of WA, on **Saturday 25 October, 2.00pm**, Rev David Jackson will be Installed as our next Moderator. The service will be at Mount Pleasant Uniting Church. All are welcome to join us in celebrating this important moment in the life of the Uniting Church WA. Livestream options will be available for those unable to attend in person. Please check the event link closer to the time for details.



On line learning is available plus face to face if required.  
All these initiatives are “brand new” to UCEF and are to be reviewed as they take shape.

How can we help UCEF?

Congregations receive ‘mail outs’ what happens to them?  
Fliers are sometimes put within the mail outs advertising certain events involving training workshops and the like.  
Could we have a response? Were they discussed with the congregation or church council?

UCEF send out details of up coming events in their monthly write up of ‘seeds,’ would anyone in your congregation like to be included in the mailing list.  
(I personally receive my copy monthly).

Do we need help with an event, if so we could all ‘share the load’.

How can UCEF help us?

If we write up a short article/story on what is happening at our church, plus photographs (with permission) they will make it public with church magazines. These could include Bible Studies, Youth group news, Adult fellowship etc.

The church also has a face book page to advertise events.

One major aspect of UCEF is their ability to tap into further education courses presented by Pilgrim Theological College at a fraction of the cost of higher education.

Should any of our youth wish to move in that direction, please first contact me (as your rep) then I will pass the request on to Cathie Lambert who can then arrange for the appropriate level of education and the more affordable cost. If there is anything I can help you with regarding this new initiative please ask.

Many blessings Trevor Thomas

Rev Dr Bill Loader led the Bible Study via zoom from his Melbourne home.

Uniting Aboriginal & Islander Christian Congress (UAICC) Report  
Covenanting Commission Report  
Beanangang Kwuurt Institute (BKI) Report  
Were all approved by consensus

Proposal E: UAICC Property Fund. Change to proceeds of property sales from 1% goes to Congress to 5%  
Approved by consensus

Proposal I: relating to by law S3.4 Covenanting Commission to afford more financial support to Congress.  
Approved by consensus

Minute of Appreciation for Dennis Doust and Rev Dr Alison Longworth for their dedication to Congress.

#### **Introduction of Schools, Colleges & Agencies.**

Schools and Colleges Reports:

Methodist Ladies College  
Penrhos College  
Presbyterian Ladies College  
Scotch College  
St Stephens School  
Tranby College  
Trinity Residential College  
Wesley College  
Good Sammy Enterprises  
Juniper  
Uniting WA

Were all accepted by consensus

Proposal J: Changes relating to by law S9.9 Trinity Constitution  
Approved by consensus

Celebration of Ministry: Presented by the Moderator:

Admission of Ministers  
Ordination Milestones  
Ministry Candidates

Recognition of Retired Ministers

Recognition of Deceased Ministers.

International Partnership & Development Commission Report

Social Justice Report

Accepted by consensus

Proposal K: relation to climate care and net zero emissions

Proposal L: relating to Non-violent anti- genocide action

Were agreed by consensus



Proceeds of Sale Policy Discussion: What was commonly referred to as “Embargoed Funds” is now referred to as “ Proceeds of Sale.”  
Throughout much of the meeting of Synod, discussion took place regarding the wording of the proposed changes to the wording of the policy.

**Sunday Session:**

Worship was once again led by Rev Dr Ian Tozer

Strategic priorities discussion including round table discussion on the ‘ Financial Sustainability’ of our congregations:

Proposal F: Ministry funding from the Future Mission Fund. Round table discussions with feedback to David Beard and Rev Reuben Edmonds.

Only 25% of congregations have completed the ‘ Health and vitality’ questionnaire and the need for more congregations to participate.

**Synod Budget 2026:**

The 2026 budget will balance excluding the payments for the Redress Scheme. Thanks to the UCA’s National Formula WA gave benefited to date to the tune of \$5.8m.

Although the redress scheme closes for applications in June 2027, the GS of Assembly tells us to expect a “long tale” of backlog claims possibly reaching as late as 2029.

Proposal G: Budget 2026

Approved by consensus

Proposals/General Business, followed by:

Nominations Committee Report

Accepted by consensus

Bible Study led by Rev Dr Bill Loader (via zoom)

Employment of Ministers: Round table discussion with feedback to the General Secretary and David Beard.

General Business

Nominating Committee Ballots Results:

Proposal M: Nomination Committee to accept the results of the ballots.

Agreed by consensus

Appreciation for the outgoing Moderator

Acknowledgements

Closing prayer: Karl Sullivan: Candidate for Ministry.

Pinjarra Uniting church Synod representatives: Kerrie Birch & Trevor Thomas

## Learning Partner Gathering

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 (via zoom)

During the Presbytery meeting in June, CEDAL (Committee for Education, Discipleship and Leadership) expressed the notion of every church congregation having one of their member’s to become what they referred to as a “Learning Partner.”

This person would then become the link between CEDAL and congregations, attempting to ensure that communication between the two parties could be improved.

Whilst at the presbytery meeting I phoned our team leader Arthur to explain the request and the possibility of myself being the Learning Partner for Pinjarra. So here I am!

There are over 20 learning partners across the state and we held our first gathering on the above date, not all 20 representatives were present at that time. However, the meeting was recorded so the others could be involved and included with our discussions.

Rev Dr Cathy Lambert chaired the meeting and began by explaining the new name for education within the WA Synod is: Uniting Centre for Education and Formation (UCEF) and this is a part of CEDAL. Also that due to a severe lack of resources they simply could not do everything themselves such as creating resources but we could tap into and use resources from the eastern states and beyond.

Formation is for everyone in the church not simply for those working towards ordination, resources are available to everyone. We can all join/share an event, which is hoped will change the learning culture and keep learning no matter the extent of your personal growth; Keep learning and growing.

