

JANUARY 2026 DIARY

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	6.30 pm	Ministry Team dinner & meeting (may change)
Wed 14	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
Sun 18	8.50 am	Worship Sunday School in Recess
		Ministry Team Meeting after Morning Tea
Tue 20	9.30-11am	Study Group. All welcome
Wed 21	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
Sun 25	8.50 am	Worship Sunday School in Recess
Tue 27	9.30-11am	Study Group. All welcome
Wed 28	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!

PLEASE NOTE: This December/ January Vine is the last for 2025 The February monthly Vine will be distributed on 1st February 2026

***** The DEADLINE for the February monthly Vine is TUESDAY 24TH JANUARY.**

Please get all notices and reports to Kerrie Birch
phone 0409 530 327 ☺ email rcarramaridge@bigpond.com
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Pinjarra UCA Vine



Our Mission Statement

'To be the Face of God in the Community'

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December/ January 25/26

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Welcome to Everyone: who is 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. 9530 3205

Ministry Team Leader: Arthur Morrell Ph. 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

TUESDAY

9.30—11 am STUDY GROUP We will break from 16th December Reconciliation Tuesday 6th January. All are welcome. Contact Kerrie Birch: 0409 530 327

WEDNESDAY

8.00am or/and 8.00pm PRAYER CIRCLE Pray where you are in unity with others in our church family.

Special Notice

On Sunday 16 November, the Moderator Rev David Jackson announced, on behalf of the Synod Standing Committee, the appointment of Rev Hollis Wilson as General Secretary for the Uniting Church Synod of Western Australia.

This half-time long-term supply placement is effective 1 December 2025 and will continue until the Synod meeting in September 2026, where the ongoing appointment will be determined. Rev Hollis Wilson will continue his placement at Uniting Church in the City (UCIC) in a half-time capacity.



*The Pinjarra Uniting Church
Council & Ministry Team
wish all our friends a
Blessed and Joyful Christmas.*



JANUARY 2026 LECTIONARY READINGS

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Many thanks to you all and God Bless0439 595 827.

LECTIONARY THEMES: January 2026

God's kingdom is upside down and back-to-front. The Messiah was first revealed to "unimportant people" in unexpected places.

The theme for January is: **Jesus Ministry Begins!**

Christmas 2 January 4. Theme: The way is being prepared

Jeremiah 31: 7-14 Israel and Judah must repent.

Psalms 147. In Praise Of God The Almighty.

John 1: 1-9, 10-18. The Word Of Life

Jesus Baptism January 11. Theme: God Stands with Humanity

Isaiah 42: 1-9. The Lord's Servant.

Psalms 29 A Prayer Of Thanksgiving

Matthew 3: 13-17. The baptism of Jesus.

Epiphany 2 January 18th. Theme: Faith and Curiosity.

Isaiah 49: 1-7. Israel, A Light To the Nations.

Psalms 40. A Song Of praise.

John 1: 29-42. The Lamb Of God

Epiphany 3. January 25. Theme: Jesus calls, will you answer?

Isaiah 9: 1-4. The future King

Psalms 27: 4-9 Prayer Of Praise

Matthew 4: 12-23 "Jesus Begins His Work in Galilee"

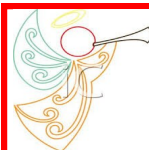


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Praying Together

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



Prayer Requests

Synod & Wider Church

- Wagin Group: Conanilling, Darkan, Dumbelyung, & Wagin Congregations.
- Synod of Queensland.

The Community

- Those who's Christmas will be lonely
- Families under financial pressure
- Families with broken relationships

Local Church

- Church Council
- Pastoral Carers
- Ministry Team
- Sunday School teachers
- Study Group
- Chaplain, **Justin Hill** Pinjarra SHS 3 days pw (M-W)

These people need prayer

Let us know the people you want prayer for this month.

- Families who are grieving
- Melissa, Penney's daughter
- Bev Brochie
- Karen and sons Nicholas, Eddy & Daniel
- Annie Dodson
- Dannielle
- Estranged families
- Kaye's Children, Sharon, Brian, Jason
- New job seekers
- Family and friends
- Your prayer partners
- Pray for yourself

Our Patrol Partners

- Mid West: Erica Payne
- Pilbara patrol: Position to be filled

PLEASE NOTE

If you have a prayer need please speak Kerrie Birch Or :

Carramaridge@bigpond.com

Ph 0409 530 327

Celebrations December Birthdays

12th. Tahi

13th. Annie Dodson

15th. Ashlynn Watts

18th. Jan Haynes

31th. Trevor Beer



January Birthdays

1st. Herawati (Rara) Watts

5th. Barbara Jodrell

11th. Silvia Smith

12th. River

16th. Cyril Holly

January Anniversaries

1st. Jan & Bill Haynes

God Bless you on your special day.

God Bless you all year through.

*May you know the love of God
and friends who pray for of you.*

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



TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN

If you have, or know of, a need for urgent prayer please phone Trevor Beer 0418 932 243 Prayer Chain will be activated. Details are not required just a request for prayer.

NOTES FROM COUNCIL

Trevor Beer opened the meeting with a reading from

Hebrews2: 1-4

The thought for the day: “Are my actions bringing me closer to God”

As always Bible Study continues, and we would love to have more people attending. It is a very enlightening time.

UCAF have organised the Christmas Luncheon to be held at Redcliffe on the Murray on November 27th from 11.30am.

We need more members too. We do at least 3 outings per year. It is great fun.

Youth Group reconvened in October and has a good attendance.

Treasurer’s Report: Opening balance at October 1st:
\$15,306.42

Closing balance at October 31st: \$16,256.10

As always, anyone who would like a copy of the Minutes, please let Trish Crocker know. It can easily be arranged.

Trish Crocker

Secretary

DECEMBER DIARY

Tue	2	9.30-11am	Study Group. All welcome
Sun	7	9.00 am	Worship Advent 2 & Communion
Tue	8	9:30am—11am	Study Group. All welcome
Wed	9	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
Thu	11	7.00 pm	Church Council All welcome
Sun	14	9.50 am	Worship Advent 3 & Children’s Celebration
		6.30 pm	Party Morning Tea Please bring a plate.
		7.30 pm	YouthCARE BBQ Anglican Parish Centre
			Combined Churches Carols
			Anglican Parish Centre
Tue	16	9.30am-11am	Last Study Group. For 2025
Wed	17	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
Fri	19	6.00 pm	Pinjarra UC Christmas Party All Welcome
Sun	21	8.50 am	Worship Advent 4
Tue	23	In Recess	Study Group. Recommence 6th January
Wed	24	8 am or 8 pm	Wednesday Prayer Circle—where you are!
Thur	25	8.50 am	Christmas Day Worship followed with Christmas cake for morning tea.
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MINISTRY TEAM REPORT TO COUNCIL NOVEMBER 2025 MEETING



Ministry Team
Leader
Arthur Morrell

A full attendance with Neil leading us in devotion to start our meeting. Pastoral concerns are prayerfully considered.

Our Ministers fellowship has been delayed for a week, where Kerrie will represent us.

Youth will be sharing on the 30th November giving us an understanding of being school leavers.

Advent program is planned and our Christmas party is happening on the Friday the 19th December.

The preaching and PowerPoint roster has been drawn up for the coming three months.

Supervision for Lay Preachers has finally been set up to help and support our ministry team. Next meeting 18th January 2026

Yours in Christ,

Arthur

23/11/2025

JESUS
EMMANUEL
god with us

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM— COME EMMANUEL

SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER: ADVENT 1

Worship: 9.50 am.
Leader: Karen Burke.
Theme: Hopeful Anticipation

SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER: ADVENT 2

Worship: 8.50 am, Communion
Leader: Kerrie Birch.
Theme: Rejoice and Be Glad.

SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER : ADVENT 3

Worship: 8.50 am. Children/Youth Celebration,
Leader: Karen Burke & Youth, children.
Party Morning Tea :
Please bring a plate to share.
Theme: Joyfully Waiting

FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER: CHRISTMAS PARTY,

In the Uniting Church Hall,
Fun, Food, Fellowship and Items,
Bring and Share Tea,
Dessert, tea/coffee supplied,
Time : 6.00 pm.

SUNDAY 21TH DECEMBER: ADVENT 4

Worship: 8.50 am
Leader : Trevor Thomas
Theme: Unto Us a Child

SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER: COMBINED CHURCHES CAROLS.

at the Anglican Parish Centre,
Time: 6.00 pm Sausage Sizzle. (YouthCARE)
7.30 pm Carols. Please bring a chair.

SUNDAY 25TH DECEMBER: CHRISTMAS DAY

Worship: 8.50 am,
Leader: Neil Illingworth.
Theme: Christmas Child



SUMMER SPIRIT 2026

Walking Together, Covenanting Together

20 & 21 February 2026

Lake Gwelup & All Saints Floreat Uniting Church

Friday Evening - Walking on Country with Len Yarran

Saturday - Keynote Speaker Rev Ken Sumner, UAICC
(plus elective sessions & community sharing)

Last year we celebrated 30 years of the Covenant between the Uniting Church in Australia and the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (UAICC). 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.

Early Bird Registrations Now Open!

Scan QR code or follow link for registration options.
Enquiries to Mahshid Zadeh
pa.education@wa.uca.org.au | 08 9260 9800



<https://bit.ly/SummerSpirit26>



Uniting Church in Australia
Western Australia



A WELCOMING
CHRISTIAN
COMMUNITY





Uniting Church WA
Adult Fellowship

An Open Letter to Fellow Congregations and Faith Communities of the Uniting Church in Western Australia

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Uniting Church Adult Fellowship (UCAF) exists to encourage and support fellowship across our church community.

Fellowship takes many forms, and every congregation brings its own flavour to it. It might be a cuppa after worship, a craft or walking group, a community meal, or something entirely different that helps people connect.

We would love to hear what fellowship looks like in your congregation. How are you bringing people together? What activities are helping members, neighbours, or the wider community to feel welcome and supported?

By sharing these stories through our Newslink magazine, we can celebrate the variety of ways fellowship is happening across WA, and perhaps give other congregations fresh ideas to try in their own communities.

If your church is doing something you'd like others to know about, please get in touch with us. We'd be delighted to spread the word and highlight the wonderful fellowship taking place in your congregation.

*With warm regards,
UCAF (WA) Committee*

*Newslink Editor: Andrea Garvey
M: 0421 639 666 | E: ahgarvey@hotmail.com*



Christmas Party

Friday 19th December 2025.

With entertainment in the hall.

Starts: 6 pm

Would you like to do an item?

See: Trevor or Jane

They will be very happy to include you on the program.

Please bring a plate of food to share.

All welcome

We have had a tough couple of years, after losing beloved members of our congregation, so let's end the year on a high, and make this an extra special time.



LECTIONARY THEMES: December 2025

As we enter the Advent and Christmas Seasons we recall that one of the powerful names given to Jesus is 'Emmanuel' which means 'God with us'. This is a gift for today, the assurance that God is with us in these troubled and uncertain times.



The theme for December is: ***Come Emmanuel!***

Advent 1. November 30. Theme: Hopeful Anticipation

Isaiah 2: 1-5. Let us walk in the light which the Lord gives us.

Psalms 122. In Praise Of Jerusalem.

Matthew 24: 36-44 No one knows the day or hour.

Advent 2. December 7. Theme: Rejoice and be glad.

Isaiah 2: 1-5. Let us walk in the light which the Lord gives us.

Psalms 72: 1-7, 18-19. May his glory fill the whole world.

Matthew 3: 1-12. The Kingdom of Heaven is near.

Advent 1. December 14. Theme: Prepare the way.

Isaiah 35: 1-10. The desert will sing and shout for joy.

Psalms 146:5-10. Happy is the man who has God to help him.

Matthew 11:2-11. Tell us, they asked Jesus, "are you the one John said was going to come?"

Advent 1. December 21. Theme: Emmanuel God is with us.

Isaiah 7:10-16. A young woman will have a son and will name him Emmanuel.

Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19. Bring us back, Almighty God.

Matthew 1:18-25. "Joseph: Mary will have a son and you will name him Jesus.

Christmas Day. December 25. Theme: The light shines in the darkness.

Isaiah 62:6-12. Prepare a highway, clear it of stones!

Psalms 97. Your people will thank and praise you forever.

Luke 2: 1-1 (15-20.) This day your Saviour was born – Christ the Lord..

Christmas 1 December 28. Theme: Hearing God's call

Isaiah 3: 7-9. The Lord's Goodness to Israel

Psalms 148 A call for the Universe to praise God

Matthew 3 13-23. The baptism of Jesus

As you sit at table this Christmas remember how great the Gift that God gave us in the birth of Christ, his Son.



Our Call This Advent

As the Church, we are reminded in Micah's words to "act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God." The Christmas Bowl is one way we live this calling together.

When we pray, when we give, and when we stand alongside our global neighbours, we bear witness to the light of Christ shining in the darkness.

"This year, the needs are urgent. Around the world, families are being forced from their homes by war, persecution, and climate disasters. Yet, through the Christmas Bowl, we can stand alongside our sisters and brothers, declaring that no one is forgotten, and every person deserves a safe place to belong." Rev Charissa Suli, President, Uniting Church in Australia.

This Christmas, as bowls are filled across the country, may we remember that there is a history of generosity in this bowl. Each gift, each prayer, is part of a 76-year legacy of Australian Christians acting for peace and justice.

We invite you and your congregation to add your gift to the Bowl again this year, to carry forward this living tradition of faith, compassion, and hope.

***** Christmas Bowl Giving Envelopes will be given out 14th December, please give as Generously as you can**

THIS & THAT



HILARY'S CARDS FOR YOUTHCARE

Lovely handmade CHRISTAMS cards and other lovely card products for all occasions are available. See them in the hall at Morning Tea



There will be a **FAIRTRADE DISPLAY** in the hall
Sunday 7th December

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 Partners (Pilbara & Tennant Creek Patrols) for things for outback children.

Thank you all who contribute.

Cold Christmas Pudding



Ingredients

- 2 cups milk
- 2 heaped tablespoons cocoa
- ½ cup sugar
- 2 level tablespoons gelatine dissolved in ½ cup water
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 15ozs can crushed pineapple, drained
- 1/2 cup chopped dates
- ½ cup chopped raisins
- ½ cup sultanas
- ½ cup chopped almonds
- ½ cup chopped cherries

Method

Place milk, cocoa, sugar and dissolved gelatine in a saucepan and heat over a low heat until the sugar and gelatine are well blended in. **DO NOT BOIL**

Mix in the rest of the ingredients and place in a prepared mould and refrigerate till set preferably overnight. (a pudding basin gives a good shape)

Turn out and decorate with glace cherries and a sprig of holly. Serve with whipped cream. Serves 8.

Thank you Linda for supplying this recipe. If you have a recipe that you'd like to share, contact **Trish; 0428 371 033**



The Combined Churches YouthCARE service was held on the 23rd November at the Pinjarra Family Church. As usual it was a wonderful evening of fellowship (and food!). There was a good attendance with representation from churches in Pinjarra.

Chaplains:

Karen Burke – Carcoola Primary School

Teagan Cooper – Pinjarra Primary School & Peel Language Development School (on Pinjarra site)

Justin Hill – Pinjarra Senior High School,

Lisa Ferraro – Dwellingup Primary School

Celine Shadlow – North Dandalup Primary School
were all in attendance alongside

Neil Masters – Area Chaplain.

Unfortunately due to work commitments, our newest chaplain,

Demi Crognale – Waroona District High School was unable to attend.

Each chaplain had an opportunity to speak and tell us what they have

Reception of Reports from:

Pastoral Relations Committee	Sue Strutt
CEDAL	Dr Karen Flowers
Thrive Mission Committee	Yvonne Robinson
Presbytery Property Committee	Heather Hamblin
Candidates for Ministry	Rev Bev Fabb
Uniting Generations Network	Julie Ridden
Rural and Remote Ministry Network	Yuko Tonia-Moore
Intercultural Network	Rev Judy Sanderson

All agreed by consensus

Future Mission Fund Grant: presented by David Grant (acting GS)

There is \$22m fund to enhance mission account and a further \$10m in the Mission Property Fund (embargoed funds from the sale of property)

Anyone can apply for a grant but must follow the guidelines set down by the **Strategic Priorities committee**

Treasurer Janine McDonald presented the 2026 budget for approval. Presbytery budget is in the red by some \$245k due to a “one off” drop in grants coming to Presbytery for Synod. This helped Synod balance their budget in 2025/6 enabling them to restore their grant to Presbytery in 2026.

Budget approved by consensus.

Meeting dates for 2026:

21/03/2026 20/06/2026 (AGM) 07/11/2026

Commissioning of the Chair of Presbytery by Rev Steve Francis.

Thank yous and a huge thank you to Rev Steve Francis for filling in as acting chair for the meeting.

Rev Simone Smalley closed the meeting in prayer.

In HIS Service *Trevor Thomas*

Distribution of ballot papers for the election on to the PRC and the PPC. Trevor Thomas was elected back onto the PPC.

Rev Dr Cathie Lambert announced the completion of this phase three commitments for Rev Mitchell Garlett. Mitch was unable to attend due to other commitments. Phase three allows for additional support for new ministers who are in the first three years of their first ever placement after being ordained into ministry.

Yvonne Robinson presented an update on the Strategic Priorities report. Yvonne spoke of the four major priorities of the committee which are:

Strengthening congregations

Looking to get to know congregations better

Engage with congregations in fresh ways

Identify and resource those congregations that have the potential to engage in effective ministry and mission.

Round table discussions on the on-going work of Presbytery towards the strategic priorities. A questionnaire was completed and returned to Rev Ana Lea'aetua for CEDAL to assess.

Kane Blackman CEO of Good Sammy gave a presentation on the work of Good Sammy.

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been doing and the ways God is working through them to provide care to children, parents and teachers.

Lisa spoke about reflecting on and improving practices. Taking a moment to look at what is working well, what isn't and how can that be improved on. We can't always fix other people's problems but we can be present, mindful and let the child/ren, parents or teachers feel heard, feel valued and create a safe space for them to feel accepted. This is important as we all need a space we can go to where we are accepted for being ourselves.

A few chaplains mentioned how they help children through running of breakfast club programs. More children than we think go to school without breakfast, but a safe space free of judgement is created where they can come and fill their bellies and have the best start to their day of learning. We are very grateful this year for the partnership of the Bendigo Bank that has provided funding and encouraged us to apply for funding for next year.

Neil gave a message on Psalm 1:1-3.

"Happy are those

who reject the advice of evil people,
who do not follow the example of sinners
or join those who have no use for God.

² Instead, they find joy in obeying the Law of the Lord,
and they study it day and night.

³ They are like trees that grow beside a stream,
that bear fruit at the right time,
and whose leaves do not dry up.

They succeed in everything they do."

God's timing is always perfect. No matter the season we are just like trees and are to keep our roots firm in the word of the Lord. For his promises are true and he will always provide us with whatever we need at the right time.

We watched a video outlining YouthCARE's 2026-2028 strategic plan. You can watch it here; <https://vimeo.com/1138808382/f891f3e702?share=copy&fl=sv&fe=ci>

If you're reading this digitally, just click on the blue link.

Otherwise, type that blue website into your internet browser.

Following our time of worship, we shared in a delicious assortment of mains and desserts.

Please keep in your prayers all the children. Children graduating, children yet to do exams, children starting school, children who are struggling with life at home and school is their solace (especially over the Christmas holidays). And children returning to school after the break.

Dates to note

- End of year wind up/celebration – **Friday 12th December** at the Pinjarra Uniting Church 12 noon. Bring and share lunch.
- Combined Carols Service – **Sunday 14th December** at Pinjarra Anglican Church, sausage sizzle at 6pm (YouthCARE running), carols to follow
- Next meeting – **Monday 23rd February 2026** at the Pinjarra Uniting Church 2pm.

As always, we thank you for your continued support. Copies of reports are available if you would like. Please come and see me.

Yours in His service,

Dannielle Atkinson

Secretary

Pinjarra/Waroona



MEETING OF PRESBYTERY

SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2025

ST PETER & EMMAUS CHURCH JOONDANA

Theme: “Gifts of the Spirit”

Acting chair person Rev Steve Francis opened the meeting and in the absence of Rev Mitchell Garlett presented the “Welcome to Country”.

Opening worship led by Rev Steve Francis, Rev Ana Lea’aetoea. As part of the service Rev Craig Bosman was admitted as an ordained Minister into the Uniting Church of Australia. Craig was an ordained minister in South Africa and joined us almost two years ago and has completed all the necessary steps to comply with the UCA’s commitment to God. He has a placement at Margaret River plus he supports all lay people with the necessary resources to draft out services o the word.

Proposal 1: as usual approving the arrangements for the meeting. Agreed by consensus.

Reception of reports: Acting Chairperson Rev Steve Francis offered a verbal report and the treasurer Janine Mc Donald spoke on her report (adoption of budget for 2026 later in the meeting). Both were agreed by consensus.

Presentation of Chair of Presbytery Nominee: Rev Steve Francis presented Rev Ken Devereux as a nominee for the position of Chair of Presbytery. Round table discussions on the on-going work of Presbytery towards the strategic priorities. A questionnaire was completed and returned to Rev Ana Lea’aetoea for CEDAL to assess.

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