



**TOORAK
UNITING
CHURCH**

We are a people who follow
the way of Jesus of Nazareth.
His words and actions
inform our living today.
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Order of Service

Sunday 9 August 2026

Pentecost 11

10:15am Worship Service & Children's Sunday

Minister: Rev Sylvia Akauola-Tongotongo
Director of Music: Dylan Quinlan-Baskett

**It's love that
makes the
world go
round**



1810-1876

Call to Worship

Welcome

Hymn 229 Jesus loves me, this I know

Prayer

Readings

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to our feet. ***A light to our path.***

Colossians 3: 12-17

Katie Lewis

As God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

1 John 4: 16

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.

For words that help free our spirit to live life in faith, ***we give thanks.***

1607-1670

*O Lord, increase our faith,
strengthen me and confirm me in thy true faith;
endue me with wisdom, charity, chastity and patience,
in all my adversity.
Sweet Jesu, say Amen.*

Children's Ministry

Hymn It's love that makes the world go round

It's love, it's love, it's love, that makes the world go round (x3)

It's love that makes the world go round.

It's you, it's you, it's you, that makes the world go round (x3)

It's you that makes the world go round.

It's us, it's us, it's us, that make the world go round (x3)

It's us that make the world go round.

It's me, it's me that makes the world go round (x3)

It's me that makes the world go round.

It's love, it's love, it's love that makes the world go round (x3)

It's love that makes the world go round.

Reflection It's love that makes the world go round

Offering Be still, my soul

Jean Sibelius

1865-1957

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;

bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;

leave to your God to order and provide;

in every change he faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend

through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake

to guide the future as he has the past.

Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake,

all now mysterious shall be clear at last.

Be still, my soul: the tempests still obey

his voice, who ruled them once on Galilee.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart

and all is darkened in the vale of tears,

then you shall better know his love, his heart,

who comes to soothe your sorrow, calm your fears.

Be still, my soul: for Jesus can restore

the trust and hope that strengthened you before.

*Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
when we shall be for ever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.*

Prayer of Dedication

***In gratitude for the blessings in our lives, we offer our gifts,
talents and resources to support and enhance the sharing of the
gospel. May our living and our giving continue to be agents and
channels of faith, hope and love in our communities. Amen.***

Community Notices

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

***Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.***

Hymn 217 Love divine, all loves excelling

Blessing

Postlude Malo Sisu

Malo Sisu (x4)

[Thank you Jesus]

Fakafeta'i 'Eiki (x4)

[Praise you Lord]

Haleluia! (x4)

[Hallelujah]

Toorak Uniting Church Newsletter

Update 9 August 2026

update@toorakuc.org.au
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Sunday services:
9am & 10:15am

Deadline for Update submission is 3pm on the Wednesday prior.



New contact email for submission of Update notes

As we transition to having TUC volunteers produce Update, please be advised that the email address for submitting notes has changed. From now on, please send all Update notes to update@toorakuc.org.au rather than to the Office email address.

Church Council Minutes

The latest Church Council minutes have now been circulated. They include important information about the framework for the spire fundraising campaign, and defining the role of the church office and how we operate as a congregation.

Presbytery Discipleship Seminar | 5pm on Friday, 7 August

Presbytery is hosting an evening conversation on discipleship, exploring models from around the world and how they might shape ministry and mission within our congregations. We will welcome Rev Dr Julian Hamilton in person as he helps us open up this discussion — not to provide neat answers, but to create space for thoughtful reflection and fresh ideas. Ministry Agents, Chairs, Secretaries, and anyone interested in discipleship are warmly invited to participate.

Nibbles will be from 5:00pm with the conversation beginning at 5:30pm at the **Presbytery Office, 1 Allan St, Noble Park.**

Register via shorturl.at/y2r5m. Inquiries: secretary@ucappep.org

Grief Support Group | Elsternwick Caulfield South UC

Elsternwick Caulfield South Uniting Church is commencing a Grief Support Group on Wednesday afternoons from 19th August. Facilitated by experienced counsellors, Drs. Marnie Sather and Greg Smith, this group will provide the opportunity for people to share their experiences around tea, coffee and cake.

Sessions will commence at 2:30pm at 567 Glen Huntly Road. Gold coin donation. For inquiries, please contact Greg on **0432 596 293**.

St Peter's Family Market | 12pm on Sunday, 16 August

Our neighbours at the parish of St John Paul II Armadale & Toorak (St Peter's) are having a Family Market on 16 August from 12pm - 3pm at **Our Lady of Lourdes, 631 High Street, Prahran.**

It's sure to be a fun, relaxing day to come together and connect with others. The afternoon will include market stalls, food, music, a jumping castle, and an animal farm for the kids.

Liferoad Singers Mission Concert | 6pm Tue, 11 August at TUC

TUC is excited to welcome the Korean Liferoad Singers' Living Hope concert to the church as part of Life Road Mission's Victorian tour. Life Road Mission is an interdenominational and multinational missionary organisation that was founded to reach people in the Silk Road region of China, Central Asia and the Middle East. The Singers are a self-supporting choir composed of classical music professionals, spreading the gospel through praise concerts and overseas touring ministries.

Please join us in welcoming the Singers as a continuation of TUC's longstanding missional connection with the Korean churches from the early days of the Australian mission to Korea. **Entry to the concert is free**, so feel free to share this invitation and bring others along for an enjoyable evening!

Christian Meditation on pause

Please note that the Christian Meditation Group will not be meeting next Tuesday, 11 August. We will return at 7:30pm in the church on the 18th.

August Diary Dates

Sun	9 Aug	9:00am	Worship with Conversation	Rev Sylvia
Sun	9 Aug	10:15am	Children's Sunday Worship Service	Rev Sylvia
Sun	9 Aug	11:15am	Morning Tea	Faichney
Mon	10 Aug	9:30am	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting	Faichney
Mon	10 Aug	10:30am	Exploring the Bible	Argyle House
Tue	11 Aug	6:00pm	Liferoad Singers Mission Concert	Church
Tue	11 Aug	7:30pm	Exploring the Bible Online	Zoom
Wed	12 Aug	5:00pm	Worship Committee Meeting	Faichney
Wed	12 Aug	7:00pm	Handbells	Wettenhall
Fri	14 Aug	10:00am	Digital Essentials Class	Faichney
Sun	16 Aug	9:00am	Worship with Conversation HC	Rev Peter W.
Sun	16 Aug	10:15am	Worship Service HC	Rev Peter W.
Sun	16 Aug	11:15am	Morning Tea	Faichney
Mon	17 Aug	10:30am	Exploring the Bible	Argyle House
Mon	17 Aug	2:30pm	Archives Committee Meeting	Faichney



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Welcome to Toorak Uniting Church

Toorak Uniting Church acknowledges and respects the past and present Custodians and Elders of this nation and the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island peoples.

We welcome all people irrespective of race, religion, political views, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or age. Wherever you are on your faith journey, wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to; whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, you are welcome here at Toorak Uniting Church.

Toorak Uniting Church continues to be a proud member of the Toorak Ecumenical Movement since signing the Ecumenical Agreement in 1980. We pray for our partner churches: St Peter's Roman Catholic Church, St John's Anglican Church and the Swedish Church.