

Toorak Uniting Church Newsletter
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Sunday services:
9am & 10:15am

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



26 April – Combined Service and ANZAC Sunday

Please note that this Sunday, 26 April will be a Combined Service at 10:15am in the form of Worship used in the 9am Service, that is participatory in 'Conversation with Scripture'. The lectionary readings will be Psalm 23 and John 10: 1-10. Please read them and bring your questions and comments on what strikes you to contribute to the conversation. The service will include the Anzac Day remembrance, however as is customary in the 9am service, there will be no separate choral singing. We apologise that this exceptional service will not be able to be livestreamed and we invite our online worshippers to take the opportunity to revisit one of the previous Anzac Day services on our Youtube channel.

The service will be followed by a special morning tea in the Hall during which there will be an important update on developments in the campus renewal project. Contributions of Anzac biscuits to morning tea are most welcome!

Sammy Stamp Fundraising

For those of us who have been saving their used stamps for "Sammy Stamp," the Uniting Church fundraising initiative, would you please hand in your latest collections to the TUC Office during the week, or give them to Stan Laugher after church on Sunday. We're planning to deliver all our stamps to the Sammy Stamp team in a fortnight's time.

Understanding Your Window of Tolerance: A workshop for everyday life

Toorak Uniting Church member, Executive Coach, and Somatic Therapist Rudi Doku runs a monthly online workshop that helps people recognise when stress is getting on top of them and find their way back to steadier ground.

It runs for 90 minutes online and is open to anyone, no background in psychology needed. Whether you're navigating a busy season of life or supporting someone who is, this workshop offers practical tools you can draw on straight away.

Next session: 7pm on Wednesday, 20 May 2026

For more information and to register, visit rudidoku.com/workshop

Mozart's Requiem and Unsung Heroes (Michael Easton) | 2:30pm on Sunday, 3 May at Hawthorn Arts Centre, 360 Burwood Rd

To be performed by Camberwell Chorale, including members of the TUC congregation! Mozart's final and most profound work, his Requiem, is a powerful and moving choral work renowned for dramatic intensity, stirring sequences, and evocative use of choir and orchestra. Michael Easton's compelling Unsung Heroes is based on the poetry of six famous English poets who served in WWI, and is a personal reflection of the Composer on the horror of war and its ultimate uselessness.

Featuring distinguished soloists Lauren Oldham (soprano), Kerrie Bolton (mezzo soprano), David Hobson (tenor), Adam Miller (bass), and conducted by Douglas Heywood OAM. **For tickets, please phone (03) 9278 4770 or use the online booking link:**

<https://www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/events/mozart-requiem-and-unsung-heroes-michael-easton>

27 April – TUC Sewing Circle

Whether you're new or a seasoned stitcher, TUC Sewing Circle is a place for sharing ideas, learning new skills or just having a chat.

Come along and bring your latest project or just yourself!

Please arrive between 11-11:30am with a finish time of 2:30pm. BYO lunch, coffee and tea provided. To RSVP, contact either

**Margot 0409 361 877 or
Angela 0407 887 596**

All are welcome to attend our next Ecumenical Prayers for Christian Unity on **Thursday, 30 April** at 10:30am at St Johns Anglican Church in Toorak.

April - May Diary Dates

Sun	26 Apr	10:15am	Combined Worship Service	Rev Sylvia
Sun	26 Apr	11:15am	Special Morning Tea	Hall
Mon	27 Apr	10:30am	Exploring the Bible	Argyle House
Mon	27 Apr	11:00am	TUC Sewing Circle	Wettenhall Room
Tue	28 Apr	7:30pm	Christian Meditation Group	Online
Tue	28 Apr	7:30pm	Exploring the Bible Online	Zoom
Wed	29 Apr	7:00pm	Handbells	Wettenhall Room
Thu	30 Apr	10:30am	Prayers for Christian Unity	St Johns
Fri	1 May	10:30am	Coffee Club	Argyle House
Sun	3 May	9:00am	Worship in the Round	Rev Gillian
Sun	3 May	10:15am	Worship Service	Rev Gillian
Sun	3 May	11:15am	Morning Tea	Hall