



June, 2026

Uniting Church Dayboro

Bulletin

No matter who you are, how you identify, who you love, or where you are on life's journey: know that you are welcome & accepted here, and that you are loved by God & by us.

22 Williams St Dayboro.

Service times: 9am every Sunday

The people of Uniting Church Dayboro are warm, inclusive and welcoming who LOVE Jesus, LOVE each other and LOVE our communities, giving HOPE for the future. Our worship, our communion table and fellowship is open to all. We simply offer you a place where you will be accepted and loved, and where you can learn about the grace of God.

Useful Links

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/dayborouniting>

Website: <https://www.dayborouca.com.au>

Presbytery News: <https://mailchi.mp/71fe6673d19c/newsletter-9-21-may-18282052>

Pastor's Ponderings

There is a quiet irony in modern life. We seem more connected than ever before, yet many people carry a deep sense of loneliness and disconnection. We can communicate instantly across the world, yet still long for places where we are truly known, welcomed, and valued.

Perhaps that is one of the enduring gifts of community.

Churches are certainly not perfect places filled with perfect people. They never have been. Yet at their best, they become spaces where people learn how to belong to one another — across generations, personalities, opinions, and life experiences. In a world that can sometimes feel hurried, divided, or uncertain, that kind of community matters more than we may realise.

Real community is rarely built through grand gestures. More often, it grows slowly and quietly: over cuppas after worship, in shared laughter, as prayers are offered gently for one another, the meals delivered during difficult seasons, or the simple act of sitting beside someone who needs to know they are not alone.

One of the things I have always appreciated about country towns and communities like Dayboro is that people still understand the value of turning up for one another. We may not always agree on everything, but there remains a deep instinct to care, to help, and to stand alongside neighbours in both joy and hardship.

The church at its best simply joins in that spirit. Our calling is not only to gather on Sundays, but to help nurture communities of kindness, compassion, welcome, and hope wherever we live – in our homes, neighbourhoods, workplaces, and friendships. Every small act of grace helps make the world a little more human.

Shalom,
Dan

Children's Ministry News Carolyn Nugent

SUNDAY SPACE

Sunday Space dates for June – 7th, 14th and 21st.

There will be no Sunday Space on Communion Sunday, the 28th of June. Also school holidays start so no Sunday Space the 5th and 12th July .

Thanks to all the leaders and helpers for the previous year. More helpers are always welcome. See Carolyn if interested.

Safe Church Training

All council members, lay preachers and Sunday Space workers have to complete certain modules every 2 years.

If you think you can attend to this yourself at home, Carolyn is more than happy to show you how to do this.



Our congregation is only as good as the people who make it.

We always need more volunteers.

Any authorised lay preachers sitting on their talent, people to do the readings in the Sunday service, lead the prayers of intercession, greeting, leading the singing, the cleaning crew, ground maintenance, setting up on a Sunday, playing musical instruments, leading or helping our Sunday Space (kids) ministry.

If you would like to be involved, please see Danny or Maria.

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL CHAPPIE

Chappie Hannah at Dayboro State School is looking for a little practical support.

If you'd like to help, you can donate:

- a bucket of thick chalk sticks
- a bottle of buttermilk pancake mix

These small items make a real difference in her work supporting students and families in our local community.

You can give your donation to Danny, who will make sure it gets to Hannah



OUR STRATEGIC PLANNING

Do good to all people Galatians 6:10

We have over many years maintained a strategic mission planning and outreach focus which we have refined regularly. The plan influences all of our decisions. It is best expressed in our comprehensive Policies and Procedures Handbook compiled by Church Council and regularly updated (available on request on a USB thumb drive).

The Presbytery Health and Vitality Consultation in 2003 had this to say about us:

There are not many congregations where the word 'intentional' is as readily used to describe the character of their work as it is here at Dayboro Uniting. It is clear that the congregation puts energy into being actively thoughtful about what they do and seeks to adjust accordingly. The congregation is more anticipatory than reactionary, with reference to the cadence of its life, and this clearly leads the congregation to be a meaningful witness to the love and mission of God.

Our regular strategic planning has clarified our church's purpose and direction, set achievable goals and objectives, made informed decisions and allocated resources effectively, fostered unity and commitment among our leaders and members, helped us to measure progress and evaluate the effectiveness of our programs and initiatives and identified challenges to work on.

Strategic planning sessions have been led variously by experienced and qualified process managers – Dr Paul Inglis (former member of QUT Centre for Leadership Studies); Mrs Ann Turner (retired headteacher); Mrs Shirley Coulson (former General Secretary of Synod and educator). These facilitators are all residents and familiar with the many special characteristics and life and culture of this community.

These sessions have consistently highlighted the uniqueness of our congregation and community.

The outcomes of all of the strategic planning events have identified our need and purpose to be about community building as a first principle of our role as a church and emphasising our goal to be a servant congregation that exists for its community rather than for itself. This has brought the fruits of having great working relations with all service groups and the community generally.

The most recent strategic planning event engaged all of the church council members and leaders. The Vision and Plan revealed 'a universal perception of a strongly relational and inclusive congregation'. This was identified in 'our inclusive worship where members are challenged to grow spiritually and theological

diversity is recognised and celebrated; the way we enacted life together and where all are encouraged to participate and connect with each other and our community; promoted through seeking opportunities for diverse gifts of members to be recognised, valued and exercised in service both within the congregation and in the wider community; demonstrated in the consistent welcome, love and support for those being drawn into/moving out from our congregation for diverse reasons; and consistently articulated in a range of contexts’.

There is widespread recognition that in its historical roots the congregation is on a journey that is inextricably linked to its continuing presence in the community.

We have identified areas that we would like to address when we have the resources:

Grow our partnership with other organisations; respond to ‘seekers’ more effectively; tap into more opportunities provided by community events; grow our choir; encourage more lay preachers; find ways to bring youth into our congregation, work with people experiencing mental health issues or hurting; develop more partnerships with community leaders to build on our work to make this a strong resilient community.

We continue to hold all of this in prayer.

Let each of you look not only to their own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of humanity.

Phillipians 2:4-7

Paul Inglis

Explorers - Dayboro - Sunday 28 June 2026

From 11am to 12.15pm in the church hall

Explorers will continue discussing the insights and comparisons of the four gospels.

In this continuation we will look at the literary features of each gospel, who might have been the audience for each gospel writer, what is the central teaching in each gospel and what was the gospel's teaching about the Kingdom of God?

All members of the congregation are invited to attend and participate.

Warren Rose
Facilitator

Blokes' Breakfast Date Claimer

2026 dates for our bimonthly Saturday Blokes' Breakfasts

7:30 am – 9:00 am

June 6th

August 1st

October 3rd

December 5th

"Blokes Breakfast" is about building deep, valuable, & lasting friendships.

DATE CLAIMER

June Blokes' Breakfast

Saturday 6th June (back to our usual Saturday)

7:30 AM – 9:00 AM

The Church Hall

A generous barbecued breakfast, good coffee, and relaxed conversation.

Suggested cost: \$10 donation

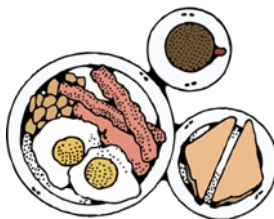
June's Conversation

"The People Who Showed Up for Us"

A simple, open conversation about the people who've made a difference in our lives — sometimes in big ways, sometimes in small ones.

No pressure—just come along, enjoy breakfast, and if you like, be part of the conversation.

Blokes' Breakfast is about building genuine friendships.



WOW Breakfast



Saturday 21st 8am

Would love to see as many of you as can make it and also bring a friend.

I thought we would follow the Men and have a discussion around "The People Who Showed up for us"

Bring a small plate to share and let us have a great morning.

Walking Group

*Join us for a morning walk and then a cuppa after.
All welcome - including children*

Date - Saturday 13th June, leaving church hall at 7:30am.

Walk will be about 30-45 mins and not too hard



YARD SALE DATES IN 2026

Saturdays
August 29th
November 28th



OTHER IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

Our baking and cooking section is our big earner at our Yard Sales. Donations of cooking ingredients for the many cakes our cooks for our Yard Sales would be greatly appreciated - see Marion or Robyn for items needed. We cannot leave this cost to the bakers. Monetary donations also welcome - please give these to Surjit, our new treasurer.

We request that if you could donate \$10 every now and then to go towards the Combined Churches Christmas Hampers and the Christmas Luncheon, that would be great.

The Bank Account details for this:

*QCB
BSB 654 000
Account 22046089
Ref: CHRISTMAS*



The Search for our next Minister

We are now in the process of preparing documentation for the process of working with Presbytery and Synod Placements Committee to identify and have conversations with candidates for filling the part time position of minister from August. The Presbytery has yet to appoint its two representatives to our JNC which will include a Chairperson. A draft summary of the Survey of the congregation is available to read. Enquiries to David or Paul.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING DATES



The Church Council has agreed to meet the second Sunday of each Month following our post service morning tea.

Councillors please add these dates to your diary or phone.

June 14th

July 12th; August 9th; September 13th

October 11th; November 8th; December 13th

June dates at a glance

6th June - Blokes Breakfast
13th June - Morning walk & coffee
21st June - WoW Breakfast
28th June - Explorers

June Birthdays

4th Ollie Warschau
5th Maggie Loh
7th Zavier Haak
9th Beth Lessells
11th George Nugent
12th Allan Kilby
13th Tom Patterson
15th Margot Nugent
18th Chaz Lovegrove-Quinn
24th Rod Finden
28th David Windebank

UNITING CHURCH DAYBORO CHURCH COUNCIL

Chair: David Windebank

Secretary: Annalie Roux

Pastor: Dan Nugent

Children's Ministry: Carolyn Nugent

Safe Ministry: Fiona Patterson

Maintenance & Property: Mark Hansen

Treasurer: Surjit Lawrence

Presbytery Rep: John Brereton

Members:

Margaret-Ann Green

Maria Hansen

Mike Huggett

Rick Staveley

Steve Watson

Rosters for June, 2026

	7 th June	14 th June	21 st June	28 th June
Lectionary Readings	Pent 2 [10] G Gn 12:1-9, Hos 5:15-6:6 Ps 33:1-12 Ps 50:7-15 Rom 4:13-25 Mt 9:9-13, 18-26	Pent 3 [11] G Gn 18:1-15, (21:1-7) Ex 19:2-8a Ps 116:1-2, 12-19 Ps 100 Rom 5:1-8 Mt 9:35-10:8, (9-23)	Pent 4 [12] G Gn 21:8-21, Jer 20:7-13 Ps 86:1-10,16-17 Ps 69:7-10, (11-15), 16-18 Rom 6:1b-11 Mt 10:24-39	Pent 5 [13] G Gn 22:1-14 Jer 28:5-9 Ps 13 Ps 89:1-4,15-18 Rom 6:12-23 Mt 10:40-42
Message	Danny	Danny	Joy	Danny
Young & Young-at-Heart	Danny	Danny	Joy	Danny
Reader	Margaret Anne	Vicki	John	Christina
Intercession	Carolyn	Heather	Margaret Anne	Robyn
Singers	Carolyn & Tim	Maria & Mike	Lorraine & Tim	Carolyn & David
Tempo	Coral & Annalie	Judy & Doug	Coral & Annalie	Judy & Doug
Sunday Space	Lorraine & Emma	Carolyn & Robyn	Fiona & Maria	Communion
Opening	Surjit	Mark	Mark	Carolyn
Greeting / Offering	Andris	Mark	Surjit	Andris
Cleaning Crew	Lorraine & Emma	Robyn & Surjit	Andris & Marion	Andris & Marion

Deadline for the July 2026 Bulletin is 21 June 2026. Email
Surjit Lawrence. Email Id: surjit.lawrence@gmail.com

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