

# SINGLETON - BRANXTON

March 2025 Newsletter

# UNITING CHURCH



Committed to Christ and Community

Every Sunday at:

9am Singleton Uniting Church

5:30pm Branxton Uniting Church

5:30pm Cafe Church Singleton



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# LECTIONARY

## READINGS

### March 2 - Transfiguration of Jesus

Ex 34:29-35

Ps 99

2 Cor 3:12-4:2

Lk 9:28-35(37-43a)

### March 9 - Lent 1

Dt 26:1-11

Ps 91:1-2, 9-16

Rom 10:8b-13

Lk 4:1-13

### March 16 - Lent 2

Gen 15:1-12,17-18

Ps 27

Phil 3:17-4:1

Lk 13:31-35

### March 23 - Lent 3

Is 55:1-9

Ps 63:1-8

1 Cor 10:1-13

Lk 13:1-9

### March 30 - Lent 4

Jos 5:9-12

Ps 32

2 Cor 5:16-21

Lk 15:1-3,11b-32



# WHAT'S ON FOR MARCH

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
23	24	25	26	27	28	1
2 Holy Communion Singleton 9am	3	4 Pancake Tuesday W.Shed Branxton 9:30am	5 Lent Begins	6 W.Shed Branxton 9:30am HC Alliance Assembly	7 World Day of Prayer	8
9 Holy Communion Branxton 5:30pm	10	11 W.Shed Branxton 9:30am Fellowship Meeting Singleton 1:30pm	12	13 W.Shed Branxton 9:30am	14 Crafty Corner Singlet on 9:30a m	15
16	17 Fellowship Lunch Singleton 12:00	18 W.Shed Branxton 9:30am	19 Prayer Meeting 9:30am	20 W.Shed Branxton 9:30am	21	22
23	24	25	26 Church Council Meeting 10am	27 W.Shed Branxton 9:30am	28 Crafty Corner Singlet on 9:30a m	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

# CHURCH COUNCIL UPDATE

## Moving Forward in Unity

To support our Mission Plan, there have been a few upgrade projects happening. You will have already seen the new signage in front of the Singleton Hall and Church, as well as at Branxton.



On the signs is a small amount of essential information with a QR code, directs viewers to our website for more information.

With an up-to-date website that also includes a monthly newsletter, it will give interested people a better insight into who we are and what we do.

We are very grateful for the work Jim has organised such as the upgrades to the audio-visual system in the Singleton Church. Together with the internet connection, this will support our plan of hosting large, regular events as well as weekly services, weddings and funerals.

Branxton has had a drainage issue that has impacted the church and hall buildings as well as the surrounding area, including the neighbours.

The earthworks included moving soil away from the bottom of the church walls, allowing air to the ventilation bricks that have been covered up.



This is the front of the Branxton Church after the earthworks, where you can easily see where the soil has been. Now the foundation stone and vents are clearly visible.

A concrete ramp has been installed to the main entrance of both the Church and the hall.

A new concrete pathway and steps to the side and front entry have also been added. This will be so much safer for everyone.

The old cattle grid has been removed, and the downpipes from the Church roof now drain into the street gutter, instead of flowing through the entire grounds.



# COMBINED CHURCHES GATHERING

**ROSE POINT PARK, SINGLETON**  
**SUNDAY 30 March 2025**  
**from 12:30pm**

BYO lunch, drinks, chair/rug. musical  
instrument (if you have one)  
Join together for a time of fellowship and  
praise.



# YOU'RE INVITED TO



# MESSY CHURCH

MONDAY  
14 APRIL  
9AM

@ THE BRANXTON UNITING HALL

*Free School Holiday  
art, craft, games,  
singing, stories, prayer  
and food*



**A PLACE WHERE CHILDREN COME FIRST**

*R.S.V.P. (02) 6572 1652*

# NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

*The Preeminence of Christ*

Colossians 1:15-20

*“He is before all things, and  
in him all things hold together”*

*Col 1:17*



AUSTRALIA PRAYS



## 7 JUNE 2025 10 AM - 4 PM

*The theme this year is based on Colossian 1:15-20 and is “The Preeminence of Christ.”*

*Join in unity with churches of all denominations Australia wide to worship Him who is preeminent and to give Him glory on the National Day of Prayer, and to pray together in unity.*

*We encourage you to organise a combined church event or a single church event in your neighbourhood.*

*This will be a day of adoration and praise, honouring Jesus Christ as our Creator and Lord, repentance, and renewal, taking communion together, and prayer for our national and Church leaders, for harvesters and disciple makers, and to declare together Jesus’ preeminence over our lives and over our nation.*

**REGISTER HERE: [www.australiaprays.com.au](http://www.australiaprays.com.au)**



# World Day of Prayer



**Ecumenical Service Friday 7 March**

**10am & 7:15pm Branxton Uniting Church**

**The Singleton Ecumenical service will be at the  
All Saints Anglican Church at 7pm**

# Cafe Church



## Something of Note!

### March Worship



#### **March 2**

Communion Singleton Church  
9.00am



#### **March 9**

Presenter: Rev Cherie Strudwick for  
Uniting Church Project Reconnect  
video presentation



#### **March 16**

Presenter: Saltbush - Uniting the  
Scatered Community



#### **March 23**

Presenter: Saltbush - Uniting the  
Scatered Community



#### **March 30**

Join with Singleton Church 9.00am

*Cafe Chruch folk  
will be joining  
with the Singleton  
morning  
congregation for  
communion on the  
first of the  
month. We look  
forward to seeing  
you!*



Sunday evenings 5.30 - 6.30 pm, 1 Church Street, Singleton

# SINGLETON FELLOWSHIP

We gathered together to wish Mark and Susanne Charlesworth a happy Golden Wedding Anniversary. We were very blessed when Mark, Susanne and their son, Ian started attending our services. Since that happy day, the Charlesworths have become very active members, filling many and varied roles whenever it was requested and going above and beyond with their willingness to help out.

The morning tea was a special time, enjoyed by everyone and it was lovely to see Mark and Susanne cut their cake.

As they held the knife together, Susanne said it reminded them of their special day 50 years earlier, when they made their vows to one another.



Sons, Greg and Ian, join Charles and Susanne in celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

# SINGLETON FELLOWSHIP

Marion had the pleasure of presenting our lifelong member Leon Shade with his 'Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of his dedication and commitment to the Ministry of the Uniting Church in Australia in the 10th decade of life - ninety years and still serving the Lord'.

Leon has given his time freely to help in and around our Church



He was a willing worker and is still putting out and storing away tables and chairs in our hall after morning tea. Over the years, Leon has helped by mowing lawns with his sons, operating the dishwasher, working the PA system as well as doing Bible readings in our Church Services. We have much to thank Leon for and his Certificate is a lovely way to show our appreciation.

## OUR CONTACT



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Mondays and Wednesdays  
9am to 1pm

