



Uniting Church of Australia BOLWARRA

Newsletter

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Facebook

We now have a new facebook page - the link is <https://www.facebook.com>
Please like, follow and interact with the page as much as you can and invite others to follow and like us as well. The more interaction we have, the more our page pops up when people search for us.

Café Church

A reminder about the Cafe Church to be held on 25 February. The flyer is attached. Please distribute to your friends and family who may be interested. While this free event is open to everyone, the main target group is under 50. We have also created this as an event on Facebook [Cafe Church](#).

New Chairs

Our new comfortable and contemporary chairs have arrived, and the church looks fantastic! We thank Hunter Presbytery for the generous grant which made this possible. Huge thanks to those who were able to come and help set up the Church. We have stored the pews in the shed.



Palm Sunday Pilgrimage

Rev Neil Smith is planning a Palm Sunday Pilgrimage (24 March 2024) to start at Rutherford Church at 9am, move to Bolwarra, then Morpeth for morning tea and onto East Maitland and then Maitland City for lunch. There will be no normal Church Services on this date. Please contact Neil or myself for more information.

Hunter Community Alliance

Hunter Community Alliance is holding an event on 10 April 6pm at the University of Newcastle to encourage political leaders to take action on Renewable energy and the housing crisis. A flyer is attached. Please contact Rev Neil Smith for more information.

Goodbye Rev Mark and Debbie Collins

We farewelled Rev Mark and Debbie Collins with a morning tea after Church on Sunday 28 January. They are leaving Maitland and moving to Cootamundra to be closer to family. Mark was the Minister at Bolwarra, Maitland and Rutherford Churches for many years and retired a few short years ago.

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival was held on 4 February this year after the morning service. There was a wonderful display of vegetables, flowers, cooking etc generously donated by members of the congregation which was auctioned off to raise money for [Safari Kimanathi](#) and his family in Kenya. They are currently struggling without electricity and we are hoping this donation will help them purchase a generator or solar.

