



Eltham Montmorency Uniting Church in Australia



810 Main Road, Eltham

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Worshipping on Sundays at 9.30am

Welcome to our Newsletter

13th September, 2026

Leader:

Jill McConnell

Readings this Week:

Genesis 1:26-28

Isaiah 32:14-18

Revelation 21:3-5,22;1-2

	13 th September	20 th September
Worship Leader	Jill McConnell	SALT & Jill
Vestry Assist	Merilyn	Annette
Welcome	Natalia & Annette	Glenys & Heather
Bible Readings	Jamie	Ken
Prayers o/t People	Theo	Annette
Sound/Projector	Paul M	May
Music	Elizabeth	Elizabeth
Morning Tea	Lesley & Merilyn	May & Lesley
Lock Up	Jen	Annette
Flowers	Jen	Glenys
Counting	Bill & Steve	Stan & Heather

Today's Service:

This Sunday we are dipping in to the Season of Creation resources. The theme for 2026 is Living Water, with an image drawn from Ezekiel 47: 9,12.

Our readings this week are from Genesis 1:26-28, Isaiah 32:14-18 and Revelation 21: 3-5, 22:1-2.

Rosters:

Please let Jen know if you want to begin something new on the roster, or if you'd like to change your roster tasks.

ALSO, please let Jen know if there are dates when you will NOT be available to help.

Jen Pretty 0417 524 635 or jen_pretty@hotmail.com

Sad News:

It is with sadness we note the passing of Brian Gill.

Brian died on Wednesday surrounded by his family. We send our condolences and prayers to Jan, Karyn and Mandy and families'

Birthdays in September:

Maree: Jocelyn: John W: Paul B:

Happy Birthday to you all.

The Birthday Lunch will be held on Monday 14th September @ Monty RSL.

Soul Food

Saturday 19th September - 9.30-11am. Theme - enjoying nature.

Join us at 9.30am to walk the labyrinth at Diamond Creek (Watkins Street, Diamond Creek, Diamond Creek Reserve off Watkins Street, near the Diamond Creek Regional Playspace).

If you are not able to participate in the labyrinth, please meet us at around 10.15 for a cuppa in a nearby cafe. Please see Marilyn for further details.

EMUC Congregation AGM *n.b. new date Sunday 27 Sept 2026 at 11 am*

Please would someone from **each of the EMUC groups**, write an annual **report** and send Jen Pretty a copy by **13 September** sms 0417 524 635 or email jen_pretty@hotmail.com

If you include a photo of the group in action, that would be great (optional).

Please give prayerful consideration to who God may be nudging us to nominate for any of these following positions. And ask them.

If they accept, please **complete the nomination form** – see attachment.

These are the elected people and their nominated terms of office from last year's AGM
TERMS OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES AFTER 2025 ELECTIONS:

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Role	Person	Term expires after AGM in
Church Council	Merilyn Brown	2026
	Fiona Bruinsma	2026
	Steve Bruinsma	2026
	Jamie Hendrie	2026
	Annette Knight	2026
	Paul Miles	2026
	John Ward	2027
	Natalia Yap	2029
Chairperson of Congregation Position needs to be filled due to Jim's ill-health	Jim Simpson ----	2027 2026
Secretary of Congregation	Jen Pretty	2027
Presbytery Representative - position vacant since then	Talei Gillard ----	until 31.12.2025
Safe Church Representative - substitute since then	Talei Gillard Fiona Bruinsma	until 31.12.2025

UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE 2026

An event marking the UN Day of Peace with Speakers, Q&A, and Prayers / Meditations. This free event is supported by the Victorian Council of Churches, Uniting Church Synod of Victoria and Tasmania, and Religions for Peace Australia.

Date: Sunday 20 September 2026 (the evening before UN Day of Peace)

Time: 5:00pm - 6:15pm AEST, 4:30pm ACST(SA/NT), 3:00pm AWST (WA)

Cost: Free **Location:** Online **Registrations:** [Here](#)

For more details see the attached flyer.

Interesting Footnote:

Elise West is listed as a guest speaker on the flyer.

She is Lyn & Peter West's younger daughter. The family were past attendees at the Eltham UC and Elise attended the Church & Youth Club.

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What's On:

Every Sunday: Worship: 9.30am @ the church

Every Wednesday: Craft / Knitting Group: 10.30am @ the church

Every Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: Op Shop: 10am-4pm

Every Thursday: Reflections: 9.30am @ the church

Every Thursday: Community Cuppa: 10.30am

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September:

Monday 14th: Birthday Lunch: 12noon @ Monty RSL

Saturday 19th: Soul Food:

Sunday 20th: Nillumbik Network Combined Service @ Eltham U.C.

Sunday 27th: AGM: after church

Finance -Bank Details:

If you would like to make donations, payments or direct debits, the church account information is as follows.

Bank – Westpac. BSB 033091. Account No. 121959.

Account Name. Eltham Montmorency Uniting Church.

Don't forget to put a reference name and what the payment is for.

For any pastoral care concerns please contact: - Fiona on 0417164503 or Jill on 0421504749 or email Jill at infulife@iprimus.com.au

Items for newsletter.....Please send items to Heather by 8pm on Thursday.
Phone 94391882 or email heatherjoy20@hotmail.com