



Uniting Church in Australia
Presbytery of North East Victoria

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Pastoral Message from your Presbytery

Dear Church Council

I write to affirm that all congregations in the North East Vic Presbytery are to be safe and caring places where the faith community and guests gather for worship and other activities. This brings with it certain responsibilities including good stewardship of all their resources. Attached to this email are a number of documents from the Synod Vic Tas Property Services. They outline Legislative requirements for Essential Safety Measures and the processes required to meet their compliance.

These will be a challenge for all congregations but cannot be avoided. We will have to face questions about the viability of our buildings and our financial resources, but we do not have to see it challenging the viability of the congregation. We may well be surprised by the new opportunities that will be revealed.

Be assured that the Presbytery is available to help each congregation navigate this latest administrative burden as we continue to be faithful to God's call. Any questions please contact Richard, see below.

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