



CALL FOR PAPERS

We invite papers, of twenty (20) minutes in length, that address the conference theme. Papers may focus on the period covering the life of the Uniting Church (1977-2025) and/or may also refer to the history of the three denominations that formed the Uniting Church, or of other denominations. While some may deal primarily with the work and achievements of church agencies, services and programs, we are also encouraging all papers to engage with some of the following questions:

- How, through their public presence, have the church/churches acted prophetically, both domestically and/or internationally, i.e. in ways that challenge and critique the surrounding culture in the light of gospel values?
- What alternative approaches have they offered in relation to range of issues, e.g. welfare, justice, equality, social inclusion, racism, the common good vs individual rights etc.?
- What changes in political, theological, sociological stances have driven different approaches over time?
- What have been the pluses and minuses, gains and losses resulting from these changes?
- Has the church failed to act prophetically at some times and in some circumstances, and what has driven this failure and resulted from it?
- How is the church preparing to maintain/strengthen its prophetic witness in the future?

Please submit proposals for a paper, with an abstract of no more than 300 words in length, by the end of March 2025 to the email address above.

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