## Rev John Thornton the new Acting General Secretary

NSW/ACT Synod challenged everyone in the Uniting Church to change from:

• Saying one thing, but doing another

• Complaining and disagreeing to becoming a fellowship of reconciliation

• Blaming others to committing to work together. He cited how congregations blame presbyteries, presbyteries blame synod and synod blame congregations and presbyteries for the state of the church today.

He challenged us all to walk as disciples of Jesus and made the comment "If I was shopping for Christianity today from what I see I would not buy." If this is true it is a poor reflection on us all. So let us be challenged by these words to do something different and adopt the changes he recommends.