

# UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA Glen Waverley Uniting Church

25 December 2011



If you are new to our congregation, please fill in a Visitor Card so that we may have the privilege of contacting you.

Cards are available at the door, at the end of the pews and on the 'Welcome Table' in the Foyer



GWUC is a faithful, Christ-centred community that meets God and shares that unconditional love:

meet god@anytime.with.us

# Faith ... Hope ... Love Journey towards Joy

#### Sunday 25 December

Christmas Day

8.30 am

Rev Grea Frv

10.00 am

**Rev Rosemary Carter** 

Lectionary

Psalm 98

Isaiah 52: 7-10

Hebrews 1: 1-4, (5-10) John 1: 1-14

Sunday 1 December

**Christmas One** 

10.00 am

Rev. Greg Fry - Holy Communion

Lectionary

Matthew 2: 1-12

Isaiah 60: 1-6

Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14

Ephesians 3: 1-12



# THOUGHTFUL FLOWERS TODAY

are given by Gwenda Henry in remembrance of her brother **Fred**. 'Always in my heart'

The Ministry Team at Glen Waverley Uniting Church wish you and yours a very blessed Christmas Season and best wishes for 2012.

Rev Greg Fry - Rev Rosemary Carter

Alison Clarkson - Alanee Hearnshaw - Belinda Clear

Heather Hon

**THANK YOU** to everyone who left gifts under our empty Christmas Tree. The amount of gifts was amazing and we were able to distribute gifts to families in our own church community and to Broadmeadows Care.

Faye Wagon

#### **Church Family Christmas Lunch**

Thankyou to everyone who supported the Church Family Christmas Lunch on December 11. Special thanks to all those who helped either with preparations or on the day. As a result we are able to give \$217 to Faye McDougall for the GWUC welfare fund. This money will be used for Christmas hampers for local families.



Please pray for Alanee, Joel, Kat, Jason, Steven, Pam and Lyn as they share time with the 45 children at the Mission in Action Orphanage at Nakuru, Kenya, and also for their work around the local community to those in need.

Also, praise for the wonderful generosity of friends, family and congregation members in support of the Kenya team.



#### **2012 WORSHIP SERVICES**

During January there will only be one worship service each week at 10.00 am.

January 1: Rev Greg Fry

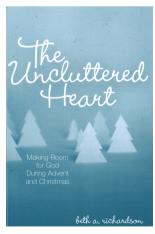
January 8: Rev Rosemary Carter

January 15: Rev Rosemary Carter - Communion

January 22: Alison Clarkson and Belinda Clear

January 29: Combined Team Service

From February there will be 5 worship services each Sunday at the following times: 8.00 am - 9.15 am - 11.00 am - 4.30 pm - 7.00 pm.



## Advent Reflection

Although Advent has already begun, it is not too late to start an Advent Reflection.

We have copies of "*The Uncluttered Heart*" by Beth A. Richardson in the Church Office for \$16.95.

This study takes you each day through Advent and into the New Year with Scripture readings and reflections.

There are only 4 copies of this book left so you will need to be quick so you don't miss out!

#### **DIARY DATES 2011 - 2012**

(Legend: R1-Room 1, R2-Room 2, R3-Room 3, R4-Room 4, K-Kitchen, F-Fellowship Area, C-Church, H-Hall, V-Vestry, O-Outside Venue)

Monday 26 December OFFICE CLOSED - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

<u>Tuesday 27 December</u> OFFICE CLOSED - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Wednesday 28 December OFFICE RE-OPENS

Saturday 31 December NEW YEARS EVE

Sunday 1 January 2012 NEW YEARS DAY
10.00 am Combined Service Rev Greg Fry

Monday 2 January OFFICE CLOSED - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Sunday 8 January

10.00 am Combined Service Rev Rosemary Carter

#### ADULT GROUP - Friday 3 February, 2012 - 6 pm

The first meeting for 2012 will be a BBQ at Jells Park, Waverley Road Entrance. All welcome. BYO everything (food, drink, chairs etc).

Contacts: Glenys & Leighton Collins 9560 0161

Pam & Lyn McDonald 9560 9798

#### PLEASE NOTE...

#### 2012 commencement dates

Friday Lectionary Group will recommence on the last Friday in January.

Playgroups will recommence during the second week of February 2012.

#### **CLEANING AND LAWN MOWING ROSTERS 2012**

Church cleaning and lawn mowing is carried out each week by volunteers. Four teams of 2 people each, clean a part of the complex or mow the lawns each week, taking no more than 2 hours.

Unfortunately each year some of our long serving volunteers are finally unable to continue, leaving us short of people to fill the rosters.

If you are among the younger members of the congregation (under 70!) **please consider whether you would be able to give a couple of hours** sometime on Friday evening or Saturday 4 times a year in 2012 to help keep our church tidy.

Please put your name on the list on the office counter if you can help. We will assume existing volunteers are available again in 2012 unless you have already advised or note otherwise on the list.

Enquiries: Ross Lennon - 9802 2961

rosslennon@optusnet.com.au.

#### ATTENTION: FLOWER LADIES

Please put your name on the list on the office counter if you are able to continue to assist with flowers for 2012. This will assist in preparing the new roster. Please also add any dates you know you are unable to help.

#### NAME BADGES

Some new name badges have arrived in the office. If your name is on the list below please drop in and collect your badge. If you have not paid for your badge yet, they cost \$8.50 each.

> Nick Andress - Lily Hodgins - Harry Hodgins Kerrie - Helen Logan - Kaye Mackinnon Philip Read - Yuan Yuan Wong - Ann Wylie

# GOOGO DOWN GO BED VA.

# We leave tomorrow!

Wow, we leave tomorrow night, flying Qatar Airways. We have been overwhelmed by people's support and generosity this year. This is a true reflection of Glen Waverley as a missional church. Thank you so much to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts and have given us words of encouragement.

There are still 2012 Kenya Calendars left!

DISCOUNTED - \$10 each!

All proceeds will go towards Mission in Action Please purchase your calendar from the church office.

# PLEASE NOTE:

#### HAVE YOU MADE A DONATION INTO THE KENYA FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT PRIOR TO 21st DEC?

IF YOU HAVE, DUE TO A MALFUNCTION WITH THE CARD, YOUR FUNDS WILL HAVE BEEN RETURNED. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RE-DEPOSIT THE AMOUNT. THE FROOR WITH THE CARD HAS BEEN RECTIFIED. THANKS! WE APOLOGISE FOR THE INCONVENIENCE.

### Would you like to make a direct donation

## to the group's work in Kenya?

You can pay directly to the Kenya Fundraising account: **BPAY 50179** 

Account # 5386 3606 0002 9855 (Minimum donation of \$100 into this account, Sorry!). Donations are also accepted by the GWUC Office.

If you would like to follow our adventures in Kenya. we will be completing a daily blog as was done last year.



KENYA 2012

Katandjasinafrica.wordpress.com

#### **ROSTERS**

**Bible Readers** 

December 25 8.30 am Ross Mackinnon

Cleaning - December 31

Area 1: Don Cormack & Verity Cormack
Area 2: Chris Krahn & Michael Patterson
Area 3: David Simpson, Doug Newberry

Lawns: Alan Barnard

**Door Stewards** 

**December 25** 8.30 am Laurel Muir & John Muir & Josephine Sim

10.00 am Pat & Ross Vevers

**January 1** 10.00 am Jan Clear, Roger & Jenny Vass

Elders Door Vestry
December 25 8.30 am Michael Patterson Jit Tan

10.00 am Marjorie Bedford

**January 1** 10.00 am Barbara Krieger

**Finance Stewards** 

December 25 8.30 am
10.00 am
Phil Dawkins & Blair Feenaghty
John Thompson & Michael Coles

**January 1** 10.00 am Ray & Faye Wagon

**Flowers** 

December 25 Kaye Mackinnon January 1 Gael O'Brien

**Morning Tea** 

**December 25** NO MORNING TEA - CHRISTMAS DAY!

**January 1** Faye Wagon, Joanne Boldiston, Phing Tan, Margaret Walker

**Organists** 

December 25 8.30 am Geoff Willis 10.00 am Robert Fleming January 1 10.00 am Robert Fleming

**Welcome Table** 

December 25 Volunteers

January 1 Judy Lowe & Murray Lowe





#### **Supportive Care Link Service**

**Please contact Laurel Muir 9560 1518** if you are aware of people needing the support provided through our Care Link Service.

We are glad to be of service!

**Please note:** If you are having trouble accessing the Wiki, please type wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc into your browser. This should assist you.

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