



# Glen Waverley

## Uniting Church

### Wesley Mission Breakfast Thanks

Thank you to everyone who attended the breakfast held on Saturday 6 Dec to learn about the Wesley Mission. We had a great turn out and a small donation will be given to Wesley Mission. Gavin Blakemore spoke on behalf of Wesley increasing awareness in everyone who attended of the vital work they do. This year they need to collect 60 tonnes of food items as part of the Food for Families service. We can help by buying a little bit extra when we are at the supermarket and placing it in the bins at Woolworths or in the foyer at church.

Another way to help is to purchase a Cooking for Compassion cookbook, now available at the Church Office and after services. They have a lot of great recipes based on the food items Wesley Mission collect and are \$20. They would make great Christmas presents.

### Foreign Aid

The Australian Government is considering further cuts to foreign aid. Your voice is needed to try to stop this happening. Further information is available on the Micah Challenge website at:

<http://www.micahchallenge.org.au/dont-cut-aid>. This plea came to us from Act for Peace (Christmas Bowl).

Judy - on behalf of Outreach Group

### Advance Notice - Book Sale

As part of the Church fundraising next year, we will be again holding a used book sale at the Church on Saturday 28 February. Your donations of books will ensure that we are able to repeat last year's success, so please remember the date and start putting aside books that you have read.

For further information see Sue Morgan.

#### GLEN WAVERLEY UNITING CHURCH

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**Welcome** to Glen Waverley Uniting Church which is a faithful, Christ-centred community that meets God and shares that unconditional love: [meet\\_god@anytime.with.us](mailto:meet_god@anytime.with.us)

*If you're new to our congregation, please say hello at the welcome table in the foyer after the service.*

#### TODAY SUNDAY DECEMBER 14

#### Advent 3

**8.00am** Contemplative - Communion

Ross Mackinnon

**9.15am** Interactive

Rev Neil Peters

**11.00am** Traditional

Rev N Peters / A Hearnshaw

**2.30pm** Celebrate Christmas with Carols

Alison Clarkson

**4.30pm** Family Worship

Belinda Clear

**7.00pm** Creative Worship

Alanee Hearnshaw

*Today's 9.15am and 11am services are being recorded*

Isaiah 6:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126 or Luke 1:46a-55; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24;  
John 1:6-8, 19-28

#### SUNDAY DECEMBER 21

#### Advent 4

**8.00am** Contemplative - Communion

Ross Mackinnon

**9.15am** Interactive - Service of Release

Rev Neil Peters

**11.00am** Traditional - Communion - Carols

Rev Neil Peters

**4.30pm** Family Worship

Belinda Clear

**7.00pm** Creative Worship

Alanee Hearnshaw

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16; Luke 1:47-55 or Psalm 89: 1-4, 19-26; Romans 16:25-27,  
Luke 1:26-38



## What's on this week?

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

### Monday 15 December

7.30	pm	Meditation	O	Enq: Graeme or Bobbie 9803 0379
7.45	pm	Young Adult Group	O	Enq: Helen Boucher 0418 551 869
8.00	pm	Badminton	H	Enq: Onn Chin 9884 4061

### Tuesday 16 December

8.00	pm	Church Council	R1	Enq: Judy Lowe 9885 8514
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### Wednesday 17 December

8.00	pm	Free Spirit	O	Enq: Deb Leigh 0411 778 417
8.00	pm	Young Adult Group	O	Enq: Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342

### Thursday 18 December

7.30	pm	Uniting Voices	R1	Enq: Barbara Hurst 9803 9346 Elwyn Pederson 9803 1378
8.00	pm	Badminton	H	Enq: Onn Chin 9884 4061

### Friday 19 December

9.30	am	Lectionary Group	R4	Enq: Office 9560 3580
12.00	noon	Cohee Scrabble Group	F	Enq: Pamela McMaster 9560 9962

### Saturday 20 December

1.00	pm	Social Tennis	O	Enq: Graeme Pratt 9560 7991
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## Office News - December 2014 and January 2015

The church office will be closed on Thursday 25 and Friday 26 December as these are public holidays.

The church office will also be closed from Wednesday 31 December 2014 until Thursday 8 January 2015.

If you have any items for the January Monthly Bulletin, or the Weekly Bulletin for Sunday 11 January, these will need to be with the Church Office by Monday 29 December.

Many thanks for your help with this, and best wishes for a happy and holy Christmas.

## Today's Flowers in the church

Today's flowers in the church are in celebration of the life of Kerryn Joy Frecker, much loved and loving daughter of Margaret and Graeme Frecker.

Arranged by: Margaret Frecker.



## Today

Please join with us at 2.30pm to Celebrate Christmas with Carols. Shortbread and cake will be served after the service.

## Next Sunday

At both the 9.15am and 11am services next Sunday, 21 December, we will be having a Service of Release for Belinda Clear, before she leaves to take up her new role at Pakenham. Between these services there will be a special morning tea at 10.15am. Please join with us as we say goodbye and thanks to Belinda. If you normally attend 11am worship, please arrive at 10.15am so you can be part of this event.

If you would like to make a contribution to the presentation for Belinda, please leave your gift at the Church Office or with either Faye Wagon or Belinda Chung by Thursday 18 December.

At the 11am service Uniting Voices will contribute to worship with a Christmas Choral Celebration.

## Congregational Outreach Project Funds

At the recent presentation of COP funds, the congregation was advised that at the sponsor's request one application was on hold. We are pleased to advise that we have now been able to forward this payment to the relevant organisation, Ponda Mali, for the provision of food for the children at the Ponda Mali School.

## Kenya 2015 Calendar

The New Kenya 2015 calendar is for sale in the foyer between the 9.15am and 11am Services all through December. There will also be some Kenana Knitters critters (beautiful knitted soft toys, made in Kenya by a women's project) and some woven bags from the Gioto dumpsite for sale.

All proceeds to towards the work of Mission in Action Orphanage, Kenya. Pre-order to hold your calendars by emailing Kat Mann on her email [katandjas@optusnet.com.au](mailto:katandjas@optusnet.com.au)