

Glen Waverley Uniting Church

Welcome

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

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Don't forget ...

Celebration of Seniors

at

Glen Waverley Uniting Church
on Sunday 14 October 2018
2pm to 4pm



Entertainment and High Tea in Fellowship Area

For catering, please indicate attendance on the list outside the office, or by ringing the Office on 9560 3580.





長者早茶聚會

Thursday 25th October 2018 10 am to 12 noon



Come & share morning tea in honour of our seniors who help in our community

ALL AGES WELCOME

歡迎任何年齡人仕参加:籌款支持

肌肉萎縮麻痺症的研究工作

All donations to research into

Motor Neurone Disease

Glen Waverley Uniting Church

cnr Bogong Avenue & Kingsway, Glen Waverley

To assist with catering, please add your name to the list on the office counter, if you are attending.

Spring 2018 Getaway

Our 2018 Spring Getaway will be to Healesville from 8 to 13 November. We will be staying at Gateway Lifestyle Holiday Park, 322 Don Road, Healesville.

You can contact the park directly on 5962 4398 if you wish to make a booking. For more information please feel free to contact Joanne Boldiston on 0438 413 964.



Operation Christmas Child

This year Glen Waverley Uniting Church is again joining in Operation Christmas Child, a Project of Samaritan's Purse, and we invite you to participate.

"Shoebox gifts are for kids in need, regardless of their background or religious belief. Each shoebox is a gift of love that tells a child they are not forgotten."

Each shoebox is filled with a variety of simple gifts and delivered to children in developing countries for Christmas.

Brochures with further information and preprinted shoeboxes (or you can use your own) are now available from the Church Office during office hours. Gift suggestions include: pencils, t-shirt, toothbrush, soap, soft toy, exercise books, sunglasses, stationery, bouncy ball, musical instruments, stickers. For more gift ideas you can visit: https://www.samaritanspurse.org.au/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/

Please consider participating in this wonderful project. Filled shoeboxes can be dropped off at the Church Office (after the Fete) between Monday 22 October and Thursday 25 October. After this date shoeboxes can be dropped off at the rear of Mitcham Baptist Church, 8-12 Simla Street, Mitcham.

Enquiries: Kimberly Easton 0410 708 824.

Celebration of Seniors - Sunday 14 October from 2pm to 4pm

Entertainment and High Tea in the Fellowship area. All are welcome to attend. For catering, please indicate attendance on the list outside the office.

Uniting World Launches Indonesian Tsunami Appeal

Friday's massive earthquake and tsunami in Indonesia has killed 1,347 people and the toll is rising. 50,000 have been displaced from their homes. Electricity and communications are down in the affected areas and there is a desperate lack of food, water and fuel.

The event has been very personal for us. UnitingWorld staff and our partners in Indonesia have lost friends and loved ones.

Donate now to support our local church partners responding to this crisis. Donations are tax deductible.

For mail, please forward your cheque, money order or credit card details to:- Uniting World, PO Box A2266, Sydney South. NSW. 1235.

Alternatively, to donate via a credit card, please phone 02 8267 4267 or visit https://www.unitingworld.org.au/indonesiatsunami/

Glenallen Working Bee - Saturday 27 October - 9am to 11.30am

As part of our commitment to assisting Glenallen School, our second working bee visit will occur on Saturday 27 October. Volunteers are asked to provide their own gardening tools. To quote staff member Sam Brooker, the "School Community appreciates the fabulous support that the parishioners of Glen Waverley Uniting Church give to it".

If you are available to assist at this working bee, please add your name to the list on the office counter. This assists Glenallen in providing a light lunch when the work is completed.

Empty Beeac Premium Bags

Please return any emptied Beeac Premium bags to the church (put them beside the recycle bins) so we can prepare for this year's fete. Order form is available on the office counter.

Thank you - Warren Greenwood. 0403 028 948.

Announcement - School Chaplaincy at Glen Waverley Secondary College

This year new leadership began at Glen Waverley Secondary College and many school programs were reviewed. The school chaplaincy position was reviewed as part of this process.

The school is affirming of the work of Chris Douglas, the current chaplain, at the school. The school had no concerns with "Young Life" as the provider and part funder of the school chaplain.

However, the leadership of the school eventually took a recommendation to the school council that the school cease the position of chaplain by the end of 2018 on philosophical grounds meaning they no longer felt it appropriate to have a chaplain in a secular government school. The school council supported this position.

Chris will conclude in the role later this year and the role of chaplain at the school will cease. This church will not provide further funds to the school for chaplaincy. The 2018 COP application for the GWSC chaplaincy program has been withdrawn.

Chris is very appreciative of the support that he has received from this congregation.

The school remains very supportive of our church continuing to run the pancake breakfast. The breakfast program has become even more popular during this year and recently a request from year 12 students for a special pancake session for them was fulfilled by our team.

This year's minimum commitment to the chaplaincy program was met through the 2017 COP allocation. The Outreach Missional Group has decided, in consultation with the ministry team, that the Walkathon money raised this year will be used for the school breakfast program and SRI in Primary schools. Some of the money was to go to chaplaincy at GWSC but it was held back as we knew the review was happening. So, this money will support the breakfast program (at the same school) which has incurred higher costs due to the increasing demand.

Neil and Alanee

Inclusive Community Report

Prayer Support Group: If you have a prayer request and you don't want it placed in the prayer book, we do have a prayer support group. All requests for prayer are kept confidential and are only passed on to group members. We don't need to know why you are requesting prayer, just a name is fine. If you need more information contact Heather or Wendy in the office during office hours, or Beverly on 0417 359 779. Thanks to the fifteen people who make up the prayer support group.

Club 2018 will meet as normal today.

The Freezer: We are enjoying the extra space available in the new freezer especially as the fete draws closer. We want to thank Faye for spending time finding the best quote and Don for his hard work renovating the kitchen so that the freezer would fit next to the fridge.

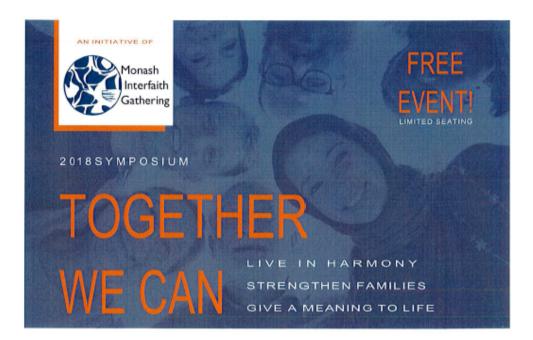
High Tea and Entertainment: Sunday 14 October from 2pm to 4pm. Please come and enjoy the entertainment and a lovely afternoon tea. Invite your friends as well. We are looking forward to a great afternoon.

Special Morning Tea - Sunday 21 October: On the morning after the fete we will have Combined Worship at 10am followed by a special morning tea. As well as celebrating a good result at the fete, it will be an opportunity to say goodbye to Jenny and Roger and Julie and Peter. Please join us for this time of fellowship.

Diary Date: Our Christmas Munch with a Bunch lunch will be held on Sunday 18 November. Invitations will be distributed after the fete.

Our next Inclusive Community Meeting will be held on Thursday 1 November at 1pm. If you have suggestions for activities, please let us know so that they can be discussed at our meeting.

Jan Clear



WEDNESDAY 10TH OCTOBER
6.30PM TO 8.30PM (6.00PM REGISTRATION)

MULGRAVE COMMUNITY CENTRE 355 WELLINGTON RD, MULGRAVE

An invitation to an interfaith gathering to explore how to complement each other's strengths in promoting understanding and respect among different faiths and beliefs including non-belief. Questions and suggestions from the public are welcome.

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED FREECARPARKINGONSITE

BOOKINGS > https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/monash-interfaith-gathering-17835927608











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Forty years ago our congregation created the outreach program Leisure Time.



Leisure Time is a friendly day out for lonely or isolated seniors from within our congregation and the wider community.

Our guests are served morning tea and a two course lunch, and enjoy the company of new friends. Our guests also have the opportunity of several outings per year due to the support of Monash Council.

Leisure Time is a well established and much appreciated Glen Waverley Uniting Church outreach program which could not exist without the support of our many volunteers. The volunteers include drivers who pick up and return some guests, hosts, home cooks who provide a main meal or dessert, and our kitchen helpers.

On Monday, 29 October, 10.30am to 1.pm, we shall be celebrating this wonderful program and want to thank all those who have been part of Leisure Time. We shall be sending out invitations to our current volunteers but do not want to overlook those who may have been a volunteer in the past. I believe Leisure Time is the congregation's longest outreach program!

If you have been a volunteer at any stage between 1988 and 2018 we hope that you will join us at this special brunch. Please RSVP though the Church Office by 22 October.

Susan Karoly

Will Leisure Time survive a further forty years? It's time for the congregation to decide.

The running of the day (10.30am - 2pm) is split into different areas of responsibility: drivers, hosts, helpers in the kitchen, and home cooks of casserole or dessert.

Leisure Time is held on a Monday and volunteers can choose how many times they are available. This year, I have been a host about 6 times. As a host I try to make our guests welcome and engage in conversation over lunch.

The drivers pick up an allocated guest(s) and drop them off at the church by 10.30am, and return at 2pm to take the guest(s) home. Those who cook either a casserole or dessert, drop off their contribution in the morning to the kitchen helpers. The guests, hosts and kitchen helpers are provided with a cooked lunch.

The Leisure Time Committee are asking the congregation to consider if they want this outreach program to continue in its current format for we do need some more volunteers. Our congregation is very generous with its time, especially with the forthcoming Fete by raising funds for non congregational projects. Please consider helping out once a month, or as an emergency, to keep our own congregational program active.

The volunteer form for 2019 is now available at the Office counter.

Susan Karoly

