BULLETIN 28 March 2021



WFLCOME

GWUC is a faithful, Christ-centered community that meets God and shares in that unconditional love. We welcome all those who are worshipping with us here in the church or via our Broadcast Ministry - we are glad you are here!

Palm Sunday

Sunday 28 March 10am Worship (+Live Stream) Rev. Neil Peters/Alanee Hearnshaw

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING A DIY PALM BRANCH, BIT OF PLANT OR COAT TO LAY DOWN AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SERVICE.

Isaiah 50:4-9: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Phil 2:5-11; Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16

Holy Week Services (+Live Stream)

Monday 29 March7.30pm Sorrow/BetrayalDi PatersonTuesday 30 March7.30pm Condemnation / DenialRoss MackinnonWednesday 31 March7.30pm Judgement / CrowningSusan Karoly

Maundy Thursday - Bearing / Helping

Thursday 1 April 7.30pm Worship (+Live Stream) - Holy Communion Rev. Neil Peters Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday - Blessing / Crucifixion / Promise / Care / Darkness / Burial
Friday 2 April 9.30am Worship (+Live Stream) Rev. Neil Peters / Alanee Hearnshaw
Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12; Psalm 22: Hebrews 10:16-25 or 4:14-16, 5:7-9; John 18:1 - 19:42

Easter Day - New Life and a New Beginning

Sunday 4 April 10am Worship (+Live Stream) Rev. Neil Peters / Alanee Hearnshaw Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24;

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

COME ALONG AND SHARE OUR EASTER DAY CELEBRATIONS WITH SOME SMALL, FURRY AND FEATHERED FRIENDS. ALL ARE INVITED TO COME ALONG FOR A CUDDLE!

Today's Flowers

Our thoughtful flowers today are given by Marjorie Bedford in loving memory of Ted.



"Ted gave of himself and all he had - he was the dearest soul I ever met."

Church Council News

Council decided this week to resume three morning services after Easter at the same times as pre-pandemic. This decision came from both the desire for diversity in worship, and from the fact the numbers attending the 10am services are approaching the allowed limit and some members are staying away because of the crowding. The 5pm service plans to resume after school holidays. Conversation will also begin regarding the 1 pm service. Council seeks feedback from members to inform future decisions. Both 9:15 and 11 will be live-streamed, as they were before the pandemic.

Wearing of masks in church is no longer compulsory, but strongly advised whenever distancing is difficult. It also is encouraged in order to make others feel safe. Windows will continue to be open to ensure ventilation as the best defence against aerosol transmission.

Election of Church Councillors

An election for Church Councillors and Elders will be held TODAY, Sunday 28 March. Members of the congregation will have an opportunity to vote following the 10am worship service. Nominations have been received from Alison Clarkson, Glyn Howells, Susan Karoly, Wendy Pepper and Vida Foo. Please read the profiles in the foyer and prayerfully consider your voting.

Morning Tea

All are invited to share in Morning Tea today following the service, which will be served following current covid-safe guidelines. Please collect your cuppa from the kitchen window and move into the hall to enjoy it! Milk, sugar and biscuits will also be found in the hall. All are welcome.

Zoom Morning Tea

All are invited to join in our Zoom Morning Tea, which is held each Sunday after the 10am Worship. Click here to join: http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/VirtualMorningTea. (You will also need to click the 'this link to join' link). This is a great opportunity to catch up with people you may not have seen for a while as well as perhaps meeting new friends. All are welcome!

Check-In Thursday with Neil - Thursday 1 April @ 10am

Neil is inviting members of the church to 'Check-In' on Thursday mornings for a casual 40 min small group chat on Zoom. To participate please email Neil on revneilpeters@gmail.com and he will send you the invitation link. Check-In with Neil and he can check-in with you!

The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal

As The Hub is not able to hold their annual *Hot Cross Bun Morning Tea* this year, we will be supporting the Good Friday Appeal in other ways...





Donations for the Good Friday Appeal will be welcome at the Sausage Sizzle on Palm Sunday and also at morning tea on Good Friday.

We ask that you do not bring Hot Cross Buns to share at our Good Friday morning tea. Instead, we have arranged for Hot Cross Buns from Muddings Bakery to be individually wrapped and given out for people to take home, butter and enjoy.

All are invited to stay after worship and share morning tea together, donate to the Good Friday Appeal if you wish, and take home a hot cross bun to enjoy later.

Seeking volunteers to help sign people in for Holy Week services

Can you help with signing the congregation in to worship services in the church for any of the 7:30pm Holy Week worship services next week from Monday to Thursday? We need one or two people per night. It involves welcoming people and helping them sign in with the app. If you could be part of an on-going roster that would also be really helpful. Please contact Glyn Howells gwhowells@yahoo.com.au or 0439 490 679 for more details.

Working Bee @ Glenallen School

Glenallen School is having a School Working Bee on Saturday May the 1st from 9:00am until 11:30am. The School will then provide lunch for all volunteers. 2020 saw the cessation of Working Bees due to covid 19.

As in the past, the Working Bee will concentrate on tidying the School's outside areas. Again, as in the past, volunteers are asked to bring their own gardening tools. Any assistance from the parishioners of Glen Waverley Uniting Church on May the 1st would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the church office for more details.

Grill'd in Kingsway - supporting GWUC Welfare work

Grill'd sell a range of burgers and like to give back to the local community. In April 2021, GWUC Welfare are one of three community groups represented in the 'voting' at Grill'd in Kingsway. The group with the most tokens in their jar at the end of the month will receive a donation of \$300 (2nd and 3rd place receive \$100 each). So when you are enjoying a burger at Grill'd - don't forget to vote for GWUC Welfare!

Leisure Time - Invitation and Information

The Leisure Time committee and our grateful guests are delighted to report that we have been able to resume our activities at the church, while still being Covid compliant.

We are meeting on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays of each month.

1. AGM Invitation

All members of the church, and all Leisure Time volunteers, are cordially invited to attend our AGM to be held at the church (not on Zoom) on Monday 19th April at 2.30pm.

Please come to hear about this valued community service for local seniors. We will also be recognising and thanking some past volunteers.

The meeting is required to elect the new committee. Most of our current committee is able to continue but we would love a couple of new faces please, including a Minutes Secretary! Please RSVP to the church office if you are able to attend this meeting as we will be catering for a Covid-safe afternoon tea.

2. Guest Vacancies

During the COVID months, some previous guests have become unable to continue attending. We would be very pleased to offer those places to new guests who would enjoy a friendly day out with new friends and our caring helpers. This invitation is extended to both congregation members and the wider community. Come and Try to see if it's for you.

3. Drivers needed

Many of our guests are unable to get to the church independently, so they rely on our wonderful team of volunteer drivers to provide transport. Drivers are rostered to do pick-ups at 10am, returns at 2pm. We have an urgent need to add more drivers to our team.

For more information or to respond to our requests, please contact the office. Thank you.

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