



Glen Waverley Uniting Church



Welcome

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!



If you are new or visiting our church, look out for the people wearing sunflower brooches.

They are part of our welcoming team, and would love to have a chat and get to know you! Also, don't forget to fill in a 'Welcome' card so that we can stay in contact.

Sunday 5 November - Pentecost 23

8am	Contemplative <i>incl. Holy Communion</i>	Ross Mackinnon
9.15am	Interactive (+live broadcast) <i>incl. Holy Communion</i>	Rev. Chris Waddell
11am	Traditional (+live broadcast)	Rev. Neil Peters
1pm	Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom	
5pm	Shared Dinner and Study - <i>please bring a plate of food to share</i> Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12	

Sunday 12 November - Pentecost 24

8am	Contemplative <i>incl. Holy Communion</i>	Ross Mackinnon
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11am	Traditional (+live broadcast)	Rev. Chris Waddell
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Giving

Please scan the QR-Code to contribute to the ministry and outreach of our Church. We appreciate your support.

SCAN ME

Light Luncheon

There will be a light lunch today, following the 11.00am service. All welcome.

Sunday Squad

Please note, Sunday Squad will not be meeting on Sunday 5 November due to the Cup Day long weekend. Enjoy the break!

U.C.A.F.

Please note there is NO UCAF meeting this Tuesday being Cup Day. The next meeting will be the last for the year, our Christmas Service and Breakup. For luncheon, please bring a plate of food to share. All are welcome to attend. Donations of non-perishable goods may be placed in the Welfare container near the office. Enq: Margaret Duncan 9803 1507

Annual Leave

Neil will be on leave from Monday 6th Nov and returning to work Wednesday 15th Nov. However, he will work on Wed 8th. Neil is required to use up outstanding annual leave before concluding his time at GWUC.

November Material Aid Offering



This month we are collecting for "It's in the Bag - Share the Dignity". Donations can be left in the purple 'Material Aid' bin. A list of items required can be found near the office door. All items must be new and sealed for hygiene reasons. No food, aerosols or scissors.

If you haven't a suitable bag, you can still donate the essential items alone.

Please place your donations in the Material Aid Bin, last day 26th November.

2023 Annual Christmas Lunch **Sunday 3 December**
12pm - 2pm

COST: Adults \$16,
Children (Primary School) \$6

Forms available from office counter, or contact the office for an emailed copy!

Bookings essential as seating is limited.

RSVP: Sunday 26 November 2023

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Thank you to everyone who donated items or gave financially for the Christmas shoeboxes. On Sunday 29th the 5pm congregation put together the donations and packed 20 shoeboxes. These will be delivered to children in developing countries in time for Christmas. Thank you to all who participated.

THE HUB
10am - 12pm

Christmas Photos at The Hub

Tuesday 28th November

Come along to The Hub at Glen Waverley Uniting Church and be a part of the Christmas story!

Dress up as Mary, Joseph, shepherds, wise men or angels and have your photo taken as part of the Nativity.

Celebrate the real reason for Christmas - the birth of Jesus. Children, grandchildren, parents & grandparents are all welcome!

Photos taken on the day will be available for collection on Tuesday 5 December between 10am and 12noon.

Christmas Cards

Get in early. Buy your Christmas Cards to support the work of Uniting (Share). Now available from the church office.



CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA
@ The Hub

When: Thursday 7 December, 10am - 12pm
**Where: Glen Waverley Uniting Church
Cnr Bogong Avenue & Kingsway**

Everyone is Welcome!

*Donations welcome for needy families
in our Community*

THE HUB
Inclusion | Wellbeing | Support

Thank you

Sandy and John Tuininga sincerely thank members of the Church Family for their well wishes and love following Sandy's recent hospitalisation. We give thanks to God that Sandy's health is improving towards full recovery.

Meeting of the congregation Sunday November 19th

A meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday November 19th at 12 noon following 11am worship. An important item to be considered is the proposed budget for next year. A draft agenda is available at <http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/CongMeetingAgenda20231119> or ask at the office. Please let John Snare (john.snare@bigpond.com) know if there are other matters that you would like discussed.

Planned Giving

The Giving Recording Committee acknowledges with much gratitude the personal gifts given for the work of our church. Your financial gifts are very much appreciated, particularly during the difficult time of the past three years. Currently we have 143 active pledge contributors - 79 using Direct Giving and 64 through the envelope system.

To those who give through the Open Plate system, you may like to consider changing to either the envelopes or the Direct Giving system which allow you to make regular gifts. The Direct Giving system means no need for envelopes or cash, regular donations are assured and a reduced workload on the Finance Stewards. Please contact the Recorder, Ken Hutchinson on 9884 4002 if you would like to make a change. Planned Giving Letters are now available from the office counter. Please check and take yours and any you can deliver. Please advise the office if any name or address details are incorrect.



Remembrance Service

**12 December 2023
at 8pm**

**Light refreshments will
be served following
the service**

*Live Stream will
also be available at
www.gwuc.org.au/live*

Save the Date!

As you probably know, Rev. Neil Peters is retiring at the end of this year. His final services will be on Christmas Day.

Our Living Nativity service on Sunday 17 December at 10am will include a formal "Release of Ties" for Neil and will be followed by speeches and celebrations for his retirement. A luncheon will be held in the hall. More details to come. All will be welcome.

What's On...

MONDAY 6 NOVEMBER - Church Office closed

10.00am	GOMERs	Fellowship
2.00pm	Leisure Time	Fellowship
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

TUESDAY 7 NOVEMBER - CUP DAY - Church Office closed

2.00pm	Mindful Meditation	Zoom
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WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER

8.00pm	Free Spirit	Church
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THURSDAY 9 NOVEMBER

11.15am	English Conversation Class	Room 4
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER

10.00am	Choir of Hope	Church
7.00pm	Youth	Hall

MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER

10.00am	GOMERs	Fellowship
7.30pm	Communications Committee	Room 2
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER

10.00am	The Hub	Fellowship
10.00am	Playgroup	Room 2/3
2.00pm	Mindful Meditation	Zoom

WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER

7.00am	Prayer Time	www.gwuc.org.au
8.00pm	Free Spirit	Church

THURSDAY 16 NOVEMBER

11.15am	English Conversation Class	Room 4
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER

10.00am	Choir of Hope	Church
7.00pm	Youth	Hall

Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom:

Meeting code: 980 1882 3667
(passcode: 773026) or [click here](#) to log in.

Contact Us:

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COVIDSafe Advice: As COVID infections remain in the community, we will continue to take all reasonable steps to protect our members & visitors from COVID infections. Following the latest government advice, face masks are strongly encouraged to be worn in indoor & crowded settings, church windows & doors may be open to allow for good airflow, and if you have symptoms you are encouraged to please stay home. For the health & safety of everyone, please continue to use sanitiser on arrival.