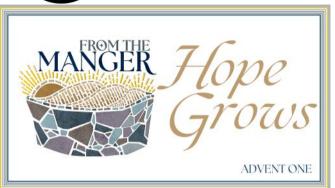
1 December 2024





Welcome

GWUC is a faithful, Christcentered 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!

Sunday 1 December - Advent 1

10am Worship (+live broadcast)

Rev. Chris Waddell / Rev. Ian Ferguson

The Annual Christmas Lunch will be held in the hall from 12pm. Morning Tea will be served in the hall.

This week's Bible readings: Luke 2:7; Matthew 14:13-21

Sunday 8 December - Advent 2

10am Worship (+live broadcast)

Rev. Ian Ferguson / Rev. Chris Waddell

11.30am Multicultural Christmas Celebration & Lunch

Please note, Morning Tea will not be served today.

5pm FEAST Share: Christmas (Please bring a plate of food to share) Rev. Chris Waddell

Sunday 15 December - Advent 3

10am Family Nativity Worship (+live broadcast) Rev. Chris Waddell / Rev. Ian Ferguson
All are invited to come along dressed as Mary, Joseph, shepherds, wise people, angels or stars and be a part of the
Christmas Story. Some dress ups will be available on the day.

Sunday 22 December - Advent 4

10am Carol Service (+live broadcast)

Rev. Ian Ferguson / Rev. Chris Waddell

featuring Free Spirit Choir



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

Annual Christmas Lunch

Sunday 1 December 12pm - 2pm



Empty Christmas Tree

Our tree is now in the fover - waiting for your donations of toys, gifts, nonperishable food. Please DO NOT WRAP your gifts. Our gifts are given to Lentara UnitingCare at Broadmeadows and also to some families within our local community. Last Sunday for gifts will be December 15th.



Christmas Cards

Christmas Cards are **now available** from the church office. All proceeds support the work of Uniting (Share).







SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 1 March 2025 Annual Book Sale



2024 Christmas Exhibition

Christmas Traditions from around the World

From 2pm - Saturday 7 December All Welcome





Remembrance Service

Christmas can be a difficult time for families who have experienced a bereavement. You are invited to participate in a special Service of Remembrance for those who have lost loved ones. The service will be held at GWUC on Tuesday 10 December 2024 at 8.00pm.

The service will be short and reflective, and there will be opportunity to come forward to light a candle to remember your loved one.

Refreshments will follow this service.

Please share this invitation with your family and anyone else who has had a close relationship with your loved one, so that you may all have the opportunity to participate. If you are unable to attend in person, you can view a live stream of the service at www.gwuc.org.au/live.

This is a special time to honour our love for one another in joy and in sorrow.

Adult Group

Our next Adult Group lunch will be on Friday 6 December 2024 at 12:30pm for lunch & fellowship at the Mountain View Hotel, Glen Waverley. Please ring if you would like to attend. Bev & Lindsay Brown, 0403350187.

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for the final time for 2024. Note starting time is 11am beginning with our A.G.M. 2025 documentation will be available. Subscription of \$15 will be collected by Norma Saxton, Network for the 12 months is still \$21 and will be due too. A Christmas Service will follow the A.G.M. At 12 noon we adjourn to the Fellowship area for lunch. Please bring a plate of food to share. Look forward to catching up with all members. Non-perishable foods may be placed in the Welfare bins outside the office. Unwrapped Christmas gifts are also being collected under the empty Christmas tree in the Foyer. Enquires contact Margaret Duncan 9803 1507.

Monash Chorale Concert

Monash Chorale are presenting "Christmas Bon Bons", a concert of old and new Christmas delights, with excerpts from Handel's Messiah & Britten's Ceremony of Carols favourite Rutter carols, and 2024 ABC Classics choir carol by Deborah Cheetham Fallon. Sunday 1st December at 2.30pm. St Simon the Apostle Church, 2 Taylors Lane, Rowville. Adults \$35. Concession \$30, Children 12+y \$10. Afternoon tea is included.

What's On...

MONDAY 2 DECEMBER

10 00am **Fellowship GOMFRs** Leisure Time Group 2.00pm Room 1 8.00pm **Badminton** Hall

TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER

10.00am The Hub Foyer 11.00am **UCAF AGM & Christmas Service** Rm 1 10 00am Room 2/3 Playgroup

WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER

ma00.8 Free Spirit Church

THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER

10.00am Christmas Morning Tea @ The Hub 11.15am English Conversation Class Room 4 mq00.8 **Badminton** Hall

FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER

10.00am Choir of Hope Church 7.00pm Youth Group - Christmas Fun! Hall

SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER

11.30am Multicultural Christmas Celebration

MONDAY 9 DECEMBER

10.00am GOMERs Fellowship 10 00am **Craft Group** Room 1 7.30pm **Property Committee** Room 1 **Badminton** 8.00pm Hall

TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER

10.00am Playgroup Room 2/3 Remembrance Service Church mq00.8

WEDNESDAY 11 DECEMBER

8.00pm Free Spirit Church THURSDAY 12 DECEMBER

11.15am English Conversation Class Room 4 **Church Council** Offsite 7.30pm 8.00pm **Badminton** Hall

FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER

10.00am Choir of Hope Church

Don't' forget to check the letter rack (near the GWUC library). There are quite a few letters - and there may be something for you?

Glen Waverley Uniting Church

Christmas Services

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10 December - 8pm Remembrance Service

15 December - 10am Family Nativity Worship

22 December - 10am Carol Service

24 December - 7pm Family Christmas Eve Service

25 December - 8.30am & 10am Christmas Day Services

Join us here or go to www.gwuc.org.au/live to watch online

All are Welcome

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