



**UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA**  
**Glen Waverley Uniting Church**  
 18 December 2011



If you are new to our congregation, please fill in a Visitor Card so that we may have the privilege of contacting you.

Cards are available at the door, at the end of the pews and on the 'Welcome Table' in the Foyer



GWUC 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)

**Sunday 18 December**

**Advent Four (Love)**

**8.00 am** Rev Rosemary Carter  
**9.30 am** Rev Greg Fry

*This service is being recorded*

**11.00 am** Rev Rosemary Carter - Lessons and Carols  
**4.30 pm** Belinda Clear & Greg Fry



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

**Saturday 24 December**

**Christmas Eve**

**7.00 pm** Belinda Clear & Rev. Greg Fry  
**11.00 pm** Alanee Hearnshaw & Rev. Rosemary Carter  
 Holy Communion

**Sunday 25 December**

**Christmas Day**

**8.30 am** Rev Rosemary Carter  
**10.00 am** Rev Greg Fry

**Lectionary** Psalm 98 Isaiah 52: 7-10  
 Hebrews 1: 1-4, (5-10) John 1: 1-14



**Growing Generous Givers**

Could all givers please collect their letter from the table in the foyer today.



***THOUGHTFUL FLOWERS TODAY***  
*The flowers in the church today are in memory  
of **Kerryn Frecker**, loving and loved daughter  
of Margaret and Graeme.  
Always close in our hearts.*

### **Thank You For Caring!**

Many, many thanks to all those kind people who donated gifts, gift vouchers and cinema tickets for distribution to asylum seekers in the care of Hotham Mission ASP. They were taken in to Hotham last Friday and were received with their grateful thanks. You have made a difference to those who could not otherwise experience the gift-giving of Christmas celebrations in our community.

Robin Pope

### **MINISTRY TO SENIORS!**

What are your interests? What activities would you like?  
To assist with planning for 2012 please fill in a questionnaire.  
Copies are available on the office counter.

### **CLEANING AND LAWN MOWING ROSTERS 2012**

Church cleaning and lawn mowing is carried out each week by some volunteers. Four teams of 2 people each, clean a part of the complex or mow the lawns each week, taking no more than 2 hours.

Unfortunately each year some of our long serving volunteers are finally unable to continue, leaving us short of people to fill the rosters.

If you are among the younger members of the congregation (under 70!) **please consider whether you would be able to give a couple of hours** sometime on Friday evening or Saturday 4 times a year in 2012 to help keep our church tidy.

Please put your name on the list on the office counter if you can help. We will assume existing volunteers are available again in 2012 unless you have already advised or note otherwise on the list.

Enquiries: Ross Lennon - 9802 2961

## **JANUARY WORSHIP SERVICES**

During January there will only be one worship service each week at 10.00 am.

January 1: Rev Greg Fry - Communion

January 8: Rev Rosemary Carter

January 15: Rev Rosemary Carter - Communion

January 22: Alison Clarkson and Belinda Clear

January 29: Combined Team Service

### **All Visitors ...**

... if you haven't made contact with your families recently please make an effort to do so before Christmas.

## **ADULT GROUP - Friday 3 February, 2012 - 6 pm**

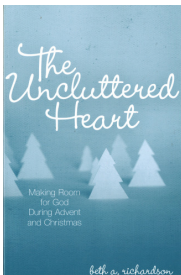
The first meeting for 2012 will be a BBQ at Jells Park, Waverley Road Entrance. All welcome. BYO everything (food, drink, chairs etc).

Contacts: Glenys & Leighton Collins 9560 0161

Pam & Lyn McDonald 9560 9798

### **Our Empty Christmas Tree ...**

... is in the Church Foyer waiting for your donations of gifts, toys and toiletries - all gratefully received. Your gifts will be given to some members of our own church family and also to Orana Family Services for distribution to families in need. All donations by 18 December.



## **Advent Reflection**

Although Advent has already begun, it is not too late to start an Advent Reflection.

We have copies of "*The Uncluttered Heart*" by Beth A. Richardson in the Church Office for \$16.95.

This study takes you each day through Advent and into the New Year with Scripture readings and reflections.

## DIARY DATES 2011

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

### Monday 19 December

- 8.00 pm Meditation Group O *Enq: Bobbie Rooks 9803 0379*  
8.00 pm Young Adult Group O *Enq: Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342*  
8.00 pm Badminton H No Badminton for the remainder of the year. Resumes Monday 9 January, 2012.  
*Enq: Ian McMillan 9803 1813*

### Wednesday 21 December

- 8.00 pm Free Spirit C *Enq: Deb Leigh 0411 778 417*

### Thursday 22 December

- 7.30 pm Uniting Voices Choir R1 *Enq: Barbara Hurst 9803 9346*  
*Elwyn Pederson 9803 1378*

### Friday 23 December

- 8.00 pm Meditation Group O *Enq: Bobbie Rooks 9803 0379*  
8.00 pm Young Adult Group O *Enq: Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342*  
8.00 pm Badminton H No Badminton for the remainder of the year. Resumes Monday 9 January, 2012.  
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### Saturday 24 December

- 7.00 pm Christmas Eve Service  
11.00 pm Christmas Eve Service - Holy Communion

### Sunday 25 December

- 8.30 am Christmas Day Service  
10.00 am Christmas Day Service

### Monday 26 December

OFFICE CLOSED - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

### Tuesday 27 December

OFFICE CLOSED - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

### Wednesday 28 December

OFFICE RE-OPENS



## **An Invitation for Christmas Lunch**

If you will be on your own this year and would rather share Christmas Dinner with others, we would be very happy for you to join with us.

Dinner will be at 2 pm (we both have services in the morning!)

A vegetarian option will be available.

Please let Rosemary know (9560 9843) as soon as possible and no later than Tuesday 20 December.

Rosemary & David Carter



## **PLEASE NOTE... 2012 commencement dates**

### **Friday Lectionary Group**

The Friday Lectionary Group will recommence on the last Friday in January.

### **Playgroups**

There will be no more playgroups this year. Playgroup will recommence during the second week of February 2012.

# COUNT DOWN TO KENYA...

## 8 Days to Go!

It's getting closer to our departure and we've been busy selling calendars and gift cards to raise funds for our projects!



How you can help:

There are still 2012 Kenya Calendars left! (\$25)

All proceeds from this calendar go to the purchase of Christmas hampers for families in the local community. Each calendar provides two hampers.

Mission in Action GIFT CARDS

These cards have been selling so well and we're going to be so busy delivering all of these gifts! Only school shoes (\$15) and food hamper (\$25) cards are left (sorry to those who wanted Education

packs and Exercise for a child cards - SOLD OUT SORRY!) This is a lovely gift card you can give your friends and family for Christmas!



Would you like to make a direct donation  
to the group's work in Kenya?

You can pay directly to the Kenya Fundraising account:  
BPAY 50179

Account # 5386 3606 0002 9855

(Minimum donation of \$100 into this account. Sorry!)  
or see Kat Mann or Alanee Hearnshaw.

Donations are also accepted by the GWUC Office.

If you would like to follow our adventures in Kenya,  
we will be completing a daily  
blog as was done last year.

[katandjasinafrica.wordpress.com](http://katandjasinafrica.wordpress.com)

## **ROSTERS**

### **Bible Readers**

**December 18** 9.30 am Barbara Thompson  
11.00 am Ann Wylie

### **Door Stewards**

**December 18** 9.30 am Sue & Glen Laub, Bill Norquay  
11.00 am Graeme Schober, Kaye Mackinnon  
**December 25** 8.30 am Laurel Muir & John Muir & Josephine Sim  
10.00 am Pat & Ross Vevers

### **Elders**

**December 18** 9.30 am  
11.00 am  
**December 25** 8.30 am  
10.00 am

### **Door**

Kaye Morgan  
Gael O'Brien  
Ross Mackinnon  
Jit Tan

### **Vestry**

Margaret Fraser  
Peter Thorpe

### **Finance Stewards**

**December 18** 9.30 am Graeme Smith & Ken Hutchinson  
11.00 am Barbara Laidlaw & Blair Feenaghty  
**December 25** 8.30 am Phil Dawkins & Blair Feenaghty  
10.00 am John Thompson & Michael Coles

### **Flowers**

**December 18** Margaret Frecker  
**December 25** Kaye Mackinnon

### **Morning Tea**

**December 18** Bev & Ross Lennon, Barbara Thompson, Rewa Feenaghty  
**December 25** NO MORNING TEA - CHRISTMAS DAY!

### **Organists**

**December 18** 8.00 am Elwyn Pederson  
11.00 am Robert Fleming  
**December 25** 8.30 am Geoff Willis  
10.00 am Robert Fleming

### **Welcome Table**

**December 18** Fiona Leister & Margaret Fraser  
**December 25** Volunteers

### **Kids Activity Time– KAT**

**December 18** Belinda Clear & Pam McDonald



**Supportive Care Link Service**



**Please contact Laurel Muir 9560 1518** if you are aware of people needing the support provided through our Care Link Service.

**We are glad to be of service!**

**Please note:** If you are having trouble accessing the Wiki, please type [wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc](http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc) into your browser. This should assist you.

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