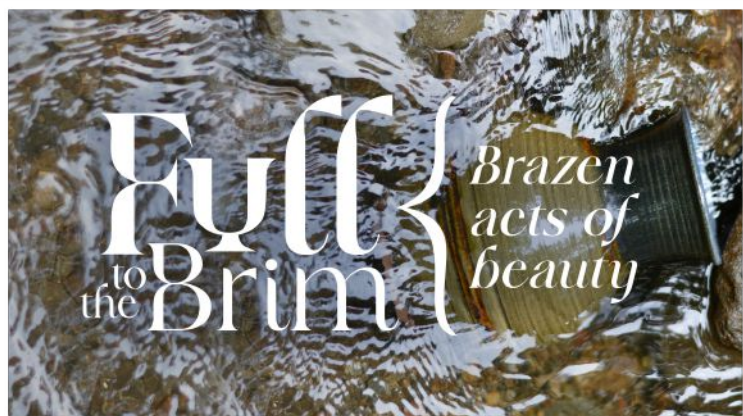




Glen Waverley
Uniting Church

3 April 2022



Welcome

CWUC 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!

Sunday 3 April - Lent 5

10am Worship (+live broadcast) Rev. Neil Peters / Alanee Hearnshaw

1pm Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom

Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

Don't forget DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS THIS SUNDAY

Sunday 10 April - Palm Sunday

10am Worship (+live broadcast) Rev. Neil Peters / Alanee Hearnshaw

1pm Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom

2.30pm Seniors Service (+live broadcast) *incl Holy Communion* Rev. Neil Peters

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 19:28-40

Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom

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



Today's Flowers

have been arranged by Chris Drummond
in loving memory of Don and Margaret
Drummond. Sadly Missed.

Worship & Staying COVIDSafe...

From Sunday 24 April, we will once again be returning to most of our usual program of multiple worship services on Sundays.

Our **8am Contemplative**, **9.15am Interactive** and **11am Traditional** services will begin again with our 5pm Creative Worship returning in May 2022. Our 1pm Indonesian Fellowship will remain on Zoom.

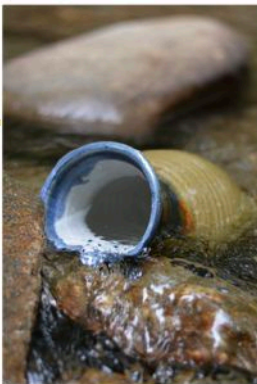
Both our 9.15am and 11am services will be available to view online via our website www.gwuc.org.au/live.

We will continue to take all reasonable steps to protect our members and visitors. We urge people with symptoms, and those without the protection of vaccines, to stay home.

- Sanitiser is provided at each door - please use on arrival.
- QR Code check-ins are no longer required to attend worship, although they are still required for morning tea. Please use the QR code on the round tables in the Fellowship Area to check in.
- Face masks are not required to be worn, however please continue to wear a mask if you would prefer.
- Windows and doors will be open - please adjust your clothing and seat choices to allow for this.
- Please contact the office for details of our Zoom licence.

Please contact the church office if you have concerns or comments.

You are not alone.



Easter Services

Holy Week April 11, 12, 13 - 7.30pm
Maundy Thursday April 14 - 7.30pm
Good Friday April 15 - 9.30am
Easter Sunday April 17 - 10am

Light Luncheon

The first light luncheon for the year will be held this Sunday 3 April at 11.30am in the Fellowship Area. All are welcome.



**PANCAKE DAY
@ GWUC
MONDAY 4 APRIL
11.30AM TO 1.30PM
ALL ARE WELCOME**

UCAF

...will meet on Tuesday 5 April at 10am in the Fellowship Room for morning tea and then at 10.30am in Room 1 for our meeting and Easter Service and then listen to our guest speaker Alanee Hearnshaw. The PWMU Cook Book will be on sale at our UCAF meeting for \$25 if you wish to make a purchase. Please remember Subs. are due. Donations of non-perishable gifts of food will be donated to GWUC Welfare. All are welcome. Enquiries - Margaret Duncan 9803 1507

Lent Bible Study

Thursday 7 April at 2pm will be the final in the Lent and Easter devotion series, which includes Bible readings, poetry and art. In person or online at www.gwuc.org.au/live. Please contact Joanne in the office if you would like the resource booklet emailed to you or printed.



Book Sale

All proceeds support
the work of GWUC

1000s of Secondhand Books

Saturday 30 April
8.30am to 4pm

Donations of books welcome from April 24.



Book Sale - Help required

This year's book sale promises a record number of books, and we would love to have you as part of the team. Please email Sue at sue@morgands.net or add your name to the list on the office counter if you are able to help.

When might you be able to assist?

Friday 29 April, 10am-5pm - (when help will be MOST appreciated) Sorting and setting out of books. We intend to allow the full day to do this, so workers have more space as they do so. Sign up appreciated but not essential, just come when you can for as long as you are able. Whilst there will be plenty of jobs for all, muscle power to move boxes of books will be particularly appreciated, so we particularly appeal to the young and fit.

Saturday 30 April, 8:30-4:00 Book Sale. A roster will be drawn up from those indicating that they are available to assist.

Sunday 1 May, 12 noon - Pack up and disposal of unsold stock. Many hands make light work!

If you have books to be collected, please place your request on the sheet on the office counter. Collections will occur on Thursday/Friday April 28/29 unless otherwise arranged.

Sadly after being unable to hold their book sale for 2 years, Yarragon CFA are already over stocked and cannot accept our books, so please look for groups who might be happy to accept unsold books. Otherwise, unsold books will be recycled.

Book Sale - Flyer Delivery

Thank you to those people who have offered to deliver flyers for the Book Sale. The flyers will be available at the church from 10 April, for delivery between 17-23 April.

Badminton & Table Tennis

Come along to the church hall on Mondays at 8pm for a game of Badminton and/or Table Tennis. Cost: \$5 per week. **New players always welcome!**

Sunflower Welcomers



You may be wondering why some of our congregational members are wearing yellow sunflowers on yellow ribbons. These are our welcomers and unlike people on the Greeting Roster, they do not stand near one of our entrance doors. They move around the foyer area looking for newcomers and people whom they don't know and speaking to them. If you are a newcomer or you don't know many people, our sunflower welcomers would love to talk to you. If you would like to be part of this welcoming team, please give Joanne (in the office) your name and contact details. Thank you to the people who have offered to help, in this way.

Hot Cross Bun Morning Tea



Friday 15 April

following the 9.30am service

Hot Cross Buns will be provided

Donations can be made on the day to support the
Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.



**good
Friday
appeal**
THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

All are welcome

Welfare

Each month, the Welfare Committee of GWUC supports approximately 25 families/individuals in the local community who are experiencing a wide range of difficult circumstances and financial distress. Many of our clients are on the disability support pension because of managing a mental illness or physical disability.

We often notice clients we assist have a lack of family support (sometimes due to trauma background or an illness that affects family relationships). When an unexpected cost occurs (e.g. large car maintenance bill), they have no family to help and this impacts on their budget and food security for themselves.

Some families only need 'one off' support during a difficult period. For example, during the lockdowns last year, a number of local families had a reduction in work hours and this put them in a position where they were being forced to choose between paying rent or buying food.

Clients often comment on how grateful they are to receive generous items such as 'Nescafe' and food that is 'in date', because many food relief centres have donations that are beyond the 'best before date'. This gives a sense of dignity and shows our care for our neighbours. We are proud that our church's welfare program stands out for this.

When we meet with a client we sit down with them to get to know them as a person. Through this interaction we assess their needs and whether they meet the criteria for our program's support. We are able to then make up a food hamper according to their food preferences, provide fresh items via a Coles voucher or make a referral to another organisation if they need other assistance (e.g. housing, counselling, furniture items). The most important thing is that our interaction with the client is an experience of Christ and a reflection of the church.

We are currently in need of more members on the Welfare Committee. If this is something that interests you, please consider having a chat with committee members Rev. Neil Peters, Faye McDougall or Welfare Coordinator, Elinor McClusky de Garza. (email: welfare@gwuc.org.au)

Donations to GWUC Welfare - April 2022

For the month of April the Welfare Committee are collecting donations of Basmati Rice, Tea Bags (Black) and Sweet Biscuits. Coffee is always welcome! Please leave donations in the coloured bins near the office door. Thank you for your support.

EMERGENCY APPEAL: UKRAINE CRISIS

Act for Peace (Christmas Bowl) have launched an emergency appeal to support the people affected by the conflict in Ukraine. Together with their ACT Alliance partners they are distributing relief to support families forced from their homes by the war. Online donations can be made via their website using the link [Ukraine Crisis](#). If you prefer to donate using cash or cheque, envelopes are available from the stewards table. These can be placed in the offering plate or left in the church letterbox and they will be sent on to the Ukraine Appeal.

A Presbytery Representative required

GWUC has two lay member reps on Presbytery at the moment, Alison Clarkson and Susan Karoly. Susan has decided to step down and we thank her for her service. So the church council is seeking an expression of interest in taking on this role. There are currently 4-5 meetings a year. Some have been on zoom lately but face to face will come back. It involves reading material in preparation for a meeting and then being a part of the decision making of this regional body. If you want to ask more, speak to Neil, Alison or Susan. Express your interest to David Morgan.



**Glen Waverley 7th
Uniting Church Annual
Walkathon**

Can't join the walk? Come along for Morning Tea @ 10.45am

All Age Event - All Welcome

**Saturday
14 May 2022
Starting at 8am**

*All money raised goes towards Childrens' Ministry and funding
GWUC's 2022 Re-visioning Projects*

WHAT'S ON...

MONDAY 4 APRIL

10.00am	GOMER (<i>David Morgan 0423 127 807</i>)	Fellowship
11.30am	Pancake Day @ GWUC (<i>Jan Clear 9803 6820</i>)	
7.30pm	Property Committee (<i>Warren Greenwood 0403 028 948</i>)	Room 2
8.00pm	Badminton (<i>Lynne Boyer 0408 564 443</i>)	Hall

TUESDAY 5 APRIL

2.00pm	Mindful Meditation (<i>Susan Karoly 0433 692 862</i>)	Zoom
7.30pm	Intercultural Bible Study (<i>Daniel Sihombing 0414 319 904</i>)	Zoom

WEDNESDAY 6 APRIL

7.00am	Prayer Time (www.gwuc.org.au/live)	Online
2.00pm	Bilingual English Class (<i>Sheila Chan 0412 659 386</i>)	WeChat
8.00pm	Free Spirit (<i>Deb Leigh 0411 778 417</i>)	Church

THURSDAY 7 APRIL

2.00pm	Lent Bible Study (www.gwuc.org.au/live)	Church / Online
7.30pm	Monthly Reflection (www.gwuc.org.au/live)	Online

FRIDAY 9 APRIL

9.30am	Choir of Hope (<i>Deb Leigh 0411 778 417</i>)	Church
5.30/7.00pm	Uthies/Youth (<i>Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342</i>)	Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS...

FRIDAY 15 APRIL	Hot Cross Bun Morning Tea 10.45am
SATURDAY 30 APRIL	Book Sale 8.30am to 4pm
SATURDAY 14 MAY	Annual Walkathon from 8am

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