



Western Heights Uniting Church

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Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith

WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH

September 2019 Newsletter

SAFE CHURCH

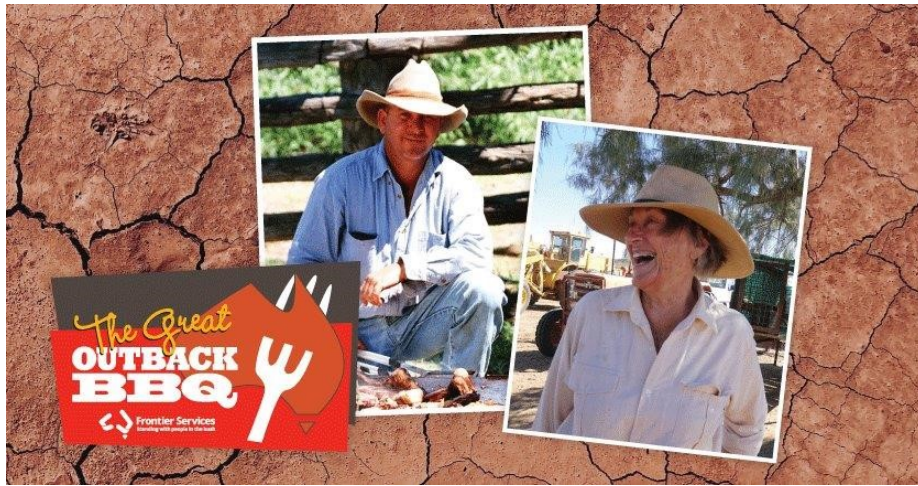
Western Heights Uniting Church is committed to the safety, protection and well-being of all children and young people from all forms of abuse and neglect. We will make every effort to provide an environment of safety and support. All key leaders have completed a Working With Children Check. Western Heights UC has adopted the Synod "Keeping Children Safe" policy.

September at a Glance

Sunday 1st	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Jeanne Beale—Presbytery Minister
Wednesday 4th	12.30pm	Mission Outreach
Sunday 8th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Isabel Greenall
Tuesday 10th	7.00pm	Tuesday Meditation
Wednesday 11th	11.00pm	LAT
Friday 13th	7.00pm	KFG—Board Games
Sunday 15th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Isabel Greenall—Frontier Services Sunday—Communion BBQ to follow service
Tuesday 17th	6.30pm	Tuesday Friendship
Wednesday 18th	7.00pm	Church Council Meeting
Sunday 22nd	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Isabel Greenall with Rev. Lisa Stewart from Uniting
	4.00pm	Messy Church
Tuesday 24th	7.00pm	Tuesday Meditation
Sunday 29th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Isabel Greenall

Staff Annual Leave

Karen will be on annual leave beginning on **Saturday 21st September** and returning on **Monday 7th October 2019**.



The Great Outback BBQ is coming to Western Heights

On **Sunday 15th September**, following the church service, we will be having a BBQ to support Frontier Services in their program to assist Aussie farmers doing it tough. Communities are struggling with the on-going drought and ever increasing prices for hay to feed their stock.

By participating in the BBQ you will be supporting the farming families who put food on our table. So come along straight after church on this day and purchase a delicious sausage or hamburger. All profits will go to Frontier Services.

For further information contact Doug Thomson

Western Heights Mission Outreach 2018

Welcome back after winter break

Wednesday 4th September 2019

Light lunch provided

12.30pm

Note earlier start

Please bring some small treasure & tell why it's special to you

Contact

Dorothy Matthews—5278 9491

Val Bray—5221 3396

Tuesday Friendship

Tuesday 17th September 2019

“Herbs & Spices”

Please bring a plate to share

All Ladies Welcome

Joan Murphy

Phone 0438 722 035



**Messy Church @
WHUC**

Sunday 22nd September 4pm

KFG (Kids Friendship Group)

Board Games

Friday 13th September, 2019

7pm—8.30pm

All year 3 to 9 are invited to come

RSVP to Karen by
Wednesday 11th August 2019

Karen.morgan1968@hotmail.com or 0404435261

or office@whuc.com.au

Bush Volunteers

Frontier Services Outback Links is searching for volunteers to provide assistance to people doing it tough in regional and remote Australia. There are no specialist skills required and all placements are unique. Being a helping hand could mean gardening, painting, feeding animals, fencing, minding children, cooking, sitting with someone who is unwell, or caretaking a property. To view volunteering opportunities check out <https://frontierservices.org/how-we-help/outback-links/volunteer/our-current-volunteer-opportunities/>

Communion Servers

Are you interested in assisting to serve Communion? It would only be occasionally or as often as you want. I am looking for a wider range of participants, any age, any gender. If you are interested, please give your name to Vanessa Thomson.

Fund-Raising at WHUC

Another successful fund-raiser was held in the Horizons Room on the 18 August, 2019. This was initiated and run by Gil and Leila Green in the form of a casserole luncheon. 37 people enjoyed a scrumptious meal and \$620 was raised. Well done and thank you to all who attended, cooked casseroles, gave donations, set up on Saturday evening and worked in the kitchen before and after the meal. A great effort! Thus far, the Trading Table has raised \$946.40. The Fund-Raising Group thanks all who contribute to the table and those who purchase. With the film night, \$1966.40 has now been raised. Members of the congregation and Church Groups are encouraged to initiate fund-raising activities. Just let Velma Oliver, Barb Everett or Colleen Douglas know, so that events do not clash. Your input is valued. Velma O.

Global Climate Strike

National Assembly President Deidre Palmer invites you to take part in the Global Climate Strike on **Friday 20 September, 2019**. As Christians, we are called to be God's co-workers, striving for the reconciliation and renewal of the whole creation. The event will take place in all Australian capital cities and across many regional centres. Stay tuned for more information or sign up at <https://www.unitingworld.org.au/climatestrike>

WWCC Updates

Please check your Working with Children Check. It is a regulatory requirement that appointed leaders in the UCA link their WWCC to the Vic/Tas Synod as well as to their congregation and any associated company groups.

Planned Giving Report to 30th July 2019

	<u>Actually Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Envelopes	23,840	22,650
Direct Debits	<u>51,550</u>	<u>47,560</u>
Sub-total	75,390	70,210
Open Plate	<u>6,010</u>	<u>5,810</u>
Total Offerings	<u>81,400</u>	<u>76,020</u>

Financial Situation to 30th July 2019

Total Income	134,550
Total Expenses	119,490
Operating <u>Surplus -</u>	<u>15,060</u>

Building Bridges Through Story

(Connecting Communities)

12th October 10.30am to 5.30pm

Ajani Living & Learning Centre, 284 Thompsons Rd Templestowe Lower

(For further information see information board)

2019 / 2020 Entertainment Books

The 2019/2020 Entertainment Books can now be purchased from Helen Sleep. Still just \$60 giving you over \$20,000 worth of offers.



Offers of up to 50% off and 2 for 1 offers, from best restaurants, hotels, activities, travel and more.

WHUC gets 20% of sales for each book.

Contact Details

Leadership Advisory Team:

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Isabel's day off is **Monday** so please refrain from contacting her on this day.

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Children & Families Co-ordinator: Karen Morgan
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0404 435 261

Church Council Chair: Velma Oliver
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Property Co-ordinator Graeme Hardy
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Communications

Administrator: Jan Grigg 5229 5889

Pastoral Care Referrals Group

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Postage stamps

Sammy Stamp is a part of the UCAF (Uniting Church Adult Fellowship) that collects postage stamps, sells them and then provides grants for small projects not covered in the Synod Budget. There is a box in the foyer for you to put your used stamps. If you could cut around your stamp leaving 5mm of paper that would be helpful.



Playgroups are held in the Horizons Room on: **Tuesday mornings and Friday mornings 9:30-11.30am.**

Light Globes & Batteries

Did you know that light globes and batteries of any sort can be recycled? There is a box in the foyer near the stamps where you can leave them.

Future Monthly Newsletters

To be included in the Monthly Newsletter, please ensure your notices are at the church office by the **20th of the preceding month**. They can be dropped in to the office in a clearly marked envelope, or emailed to the office, at **office@whuc.com.au**

Pew Sheet

If anyone wishes to receive the Pew Sheet information by email each week, please give your name and email address to Jan in the office.

Aluminium Foil

The Leprosy Mission is able to raise funds from the sale of aluminium cans and foil pie plates. Please assist this worthy cause by leaving your used foil in the appropriate box in the foyer.