



Western Heights Uniting Church

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Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith

WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH

December 2020 / January 2021 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.

December at a Glance

Sunday 13th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Bruce Waldron
Sunday 20th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Bruce Waldron
Monday 21st	8.00pm	Carol Singing
Wednesday 23rd	8.00pm	Carol Singing
Thursday 24th	7.00pm	"Carols for Everyone"
	11.30pm	"Welcoming Christmas....Quietly"
Friday 25th	9.00am	Christmas Day Service
Sunday 27th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Bruce Waldron

January at a Glance

Sunday 3rd	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Bruce Waldron
Sunday 10th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Bruce Waldron
Sunday 17th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Bruce Waldron—Communion
Tuesday 19th	6.30pm	Tuesday Friendship—Sphinx Hotel
Sunday 24th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Bruce Waldron
Sunday 31st	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Bruce Waldron

Church Office Hours & Staff Leave over December-January

The office will be closed from **Saturday 26th December** and re-open on **Wednesday 20th January 2020**.

Taking into account annual leave, time in lieu and public holidays, staff members will be away as follows:

Karen Morgan from Christmas until January 27th

Jan Grigg from Christmas until January 10th

There will be no pew sheet until **Sunday 24th January 2021** and the monthly newsletter for February will be available on **Sunday 24th January**. Please make sure all notices are in before the **20th January 2020**.

Welcome to Western Heights Christmas

CAROL SINGING: How would you like to go 'a wassailing'? (That means wandering around the streets singing carols) We'll do it all a capella (Just using our voices)

From the Church.

Monday night 21st. Leaving at **8pm sharp** so be on time please. Back at 9pm.

Wednesday night 23rd. Same time, same place. Should be fun. Be early!!!

Carol sheets will be provided. Just come. Bring the kids if you like. We'll do a couple of songs then move on somewhere else. Ring Bruce if you want us to sing outside your home. (0491 663 514)

CHRISTMAS EVE

7pm: Carols under the Carport (at the church)

We'll have the musos playing from the front porch of the church. So, bring a picnic chair or your picnic blanket if you want to sit on the lawn, a picnic to share with your family while we sing carols. Song sheets will be available. Just come along and don't forget the Aeroguard. If the weather's awful we'll go inside.

Music practice Saturday 19th—more info to come.

Thanks for Tom for organising the musos on the night

11.30pm Quiet Christmas

If you'd like to have a quiet place to gently reflect on Christmas and welcome the Christ-child again, then come along at 11.30pm. Thank you to Rhonda and Jan for arranging this for us.

CHRISTMAS DAY

9am A time to celebrate Christmas with the family. Come and enjoy. See you then.

Pew Sheet

Now that we are back physically at church and you have got use to keeping up to date with what is happening and you wish to receive the Pew Sheet information by email each week, please give your name and email address to Jan in the office.

WHUC Website

The Western Heights Uniting Church website is whuc.com.au. On this site there is a resources page where you can find our information. There is Recordings of Sunday worship service, a link to our Vimeo site of our video services, the current pew sheet and also monthly newsletters and rosters.

You can find our Vimeo videos at vimeo.com/whuc.

If you have any difficulties please see Jan.

Children and Families Stuff at WHUC

Christmas time 2020

*Advent gift trail

*Christmas lights fun

*Colouring in display

*Carols for Everyone, 24th Dec, 7pm

*Christmas day service, Dec 25th, 9am

Tuesday Friendship

Tuesday 19th January 2021 at 6.30pm

First meeting for 2021

We will meet at the Sphinx Hotel 6.30pm

All Ladies welcome.

RSVP Sunday 17th January for booking

Joan Murphy

Phone 0438 722 035

Playgroup 2021

Since coming back from lockdown, playgroup sessions have changed to each **Thursday and Friday** morning, during the school term.

Next year Playgroup will begin back on the **Thursday 4th and Friday 5th February, 9:30-11:30am.**

Family Fun Night

Friday 12th February

7.00—8.30 pm



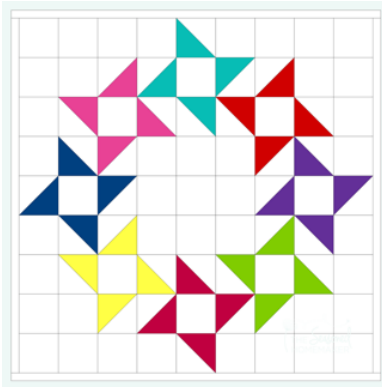
Messy Church @ WHUC

Sunday February 28th

4.00pm—6.00pm

Contact: Karen (0404 435 261) for more info or if you'd like to help!

Women of the Bible



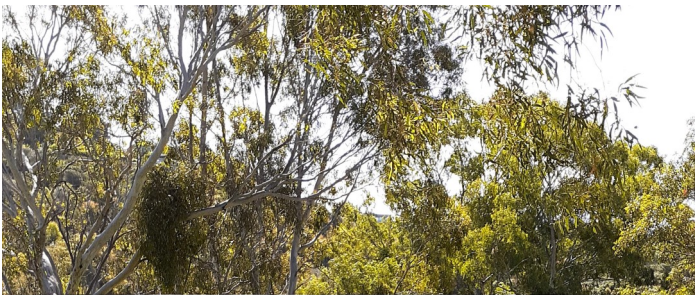
Study & Quilt-A-Long

WHUC, 31 Douglass St, Herne Hill

Join us in 2021,
for a year of Fun, friendship,
exploring the bible
and sewing.

To register your interest or for more
information please contact Karen on...
0404435261 or karen.morgan1968@hotmail.com

If you need to take time out from your busy schedule go
to the Barwon River to walk our Labyrinth, which is once
again at end of Craigie Road car park in Newtown.



With Intention Walking the Labyrinth



This temporary Cretan Labyrinth has been developed by a local meditation group which is part of the Western Heights Uniting Church. It has been created as a part of the Advent Season and is here for all to use and enjoy during the time leading up to Christmas.

As you journey through the Labyrinth you are invited to enter into a spirit of quiet meditation, walking slowly and quietly, appreciating the beautiful surroundings of the parkland and river.

For more information about this Labyrinth please phone 5229 2681 or scan this QR Code for a link to the web



As a public art project this initiative is supported by



Operation Advent at WHUC

Have you been to see the lights at WHUC?

Come and see the church lite up each night from 7.00pm to 11.00pm.



Contact Details

Leadership Advisory Team:

Supply Minister: Rev. Bruce Waldron **Church Council Chair:** Velma Oliver
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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: **Thursday 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.

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.

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**