



Western Heights Uniting Church

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Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith

WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH

March 2022 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.

March at a Glance

Wednesday 2nd	1.30pm	Lenten Study—Forgiveness
Sunday 6th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga
Saturday 12th	3.00pm	Women of the Bible Study & Quilt-A-Long
Sunday 13th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga
Tuesday 15th	6.30pm	Tuesday Friendship
Wednesday 16th	7.00pm	Church Council Meeting
Friday 18th	6.30pm	Friday Fun Night
Sunday 20th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga Communion
Sunday 27th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga

2022 Annual General Meeting

The 2022 Western Heights AGM will be held after the service on **Sunday 27th March**.

Could all reports be given to Jan in the office by **Sunday 13th March 2022**.

Lynda Scott

Congregational Secretary

Wearing of Masks

Thank you everyone for your cooperation in wearing masks at worship each Sunday. As from this weekend it seems that masks are no longer mandatory for us, however, if you feel more comfortable still wearing a mask please feel quite okay about doing so – it is a very personal decision for each of us. (COVID Task Group.)

Tuesday Friendship

Tuesday 15th March 2022 at 6.30pm

St. Patricks Day Celebration

All Ladies welcome.

Joan Murphy

Phone 0438 722 035

Friday Fun Night

Friday 18th March 2022

6.30pm

Sausage Sizzle

Everyone (newborn to over hundred) is welcome to come along and enjoy a sausage sizzle with laughter and fun by enjoying each others company. To help with catering please RSVP to the office by **Sunday 13th March**.

There will be a small charge to cover costs.

Friday 8th April 2022

7.00pm

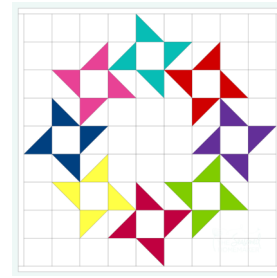
Together with the Eco Group

Movie Night 2040



More details will be given closer to the time.

Women of the Bible



Study & Quilt-A-Long-2022

You are warmly welcome to join us at WHUC, 31 Douglass St, Herne Hill, 3-4:30pm For lots of fun, friendship, exploring the Bible and sewing!

12th March-Deborah

9th April – Lydia

14th May – Martha

11th June – Mary Magdalene

11th July – Hannah

13th August – Mary of Bethany (sister of Martha and Lazarus) – the Women Who Anointed Jesus

10th September – Abigail

8th October – The Queen of Sheba

12th November – Anna the Prophetess

10th December – Elizabeth

for more information please contact Karen on... 0404435261 or karen.morgan1968@hotmail.com...

Aluminium Foil Update

We are not collecting aluminium foil at WHUC any more. You can bunch it up into a ball and place it in your recycling bin.

Summary of Church Council Minutes 16 February 2022

- Devotions by Glenn Chidzey: Loving God: What does it really mean? 1 Corinthians 13: 4-8 and 13
- A report on a meeting held on 9th February 2022 about pastoral care at Western Heights was discussed and a follow up meeting tentatively arranged for 2nd March 2022.
- Church Council to invite Presbytery Minister, Narelle Collas, to the next meeting of Church Council in March to discuss Presbytery's key strategic focus of 'collaboration'.
- Church Council reaffirmed the Keeping Children Safe Statement of Commitment.
- Agreed short term priorities for Western Heights of pastoral care, building up the church community following the long period of disconnection due to COVID-19 restrictions, and assisting Temukisa to settle in and establish herself in her new congregation.
- Authorisation was provided for the Resources and Hospitality Team to arrange for additional compliant handrails to be installed for safe access to the pulpit area as recommended by an expert safety advisor.
- The baptism requests for Henry Harper and Sophie Tingate for Sunday 27th February 2022 was affirmed.
- A retiring offering to be arranged for 20th March for the UnitingWorld Share Appeal for the Tongan disaster.

Peter Morgan, Secretary of Church Council

Forgiveness

Days: Ash Wednesday 2nd March to Wednesday 6th April (6 Wednesdays)

Time: 1.30pm—3.00pm

Venue: Western Heights Uniting Church

If you would like a hard copy of the text, (book form \$15 each), it is available through the St. Peter's Bookroom: <https://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/>

The online version is available to download from the home page of the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture: <https://about.csu.edu.au/community/acce>

12th Annual Windfire Music Festival
Music at the Basilica
presents

ORGAN + 1 Free Lunchtime Recital

Tuesday 15 March 12.30 – 1.00pm
Noble Street Uniting Church, 13 Noble St.,
Geelong

TERRY NORMAN (organ)
MEREDITH NORMAN (soprano)



Admission - free

www.musicatthebasilica.org.au music.basilica@bigpond.com 0447 238 432



MUSIC AT THE BASILICA
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR - FRANK DE ROSSO, OAM

12TH ANNUAL WINDFIRE MUSIC FESTIVAL 11 - 20 MARCH 2022

FEATURING
ORCHESTRA GEELONG ♦ GEELONG YOUTH ORCHESTRA ♦ VARDOS TRIO
EXCELSIS CHOIR ♦ EXAUDI YOUTH CHOIR ♦ GEELONG CONCERT BAND
MELBOURNE CHAMBER CHOIR ♦ JACQUI DREISSENS - DRUMMING WORKSHOP
KYM DILLON - VOCAL WORKSHOP ♦ ORGAN + 1 RECITALS

More information on dates, times and venues from www.musicatthebasilica.org.au



Eco Tip—from you church Eco-group.

Take a moment to appreciate nature.....

Step outside or look out your window.

What do you notice?

What do you hear?

What can you smell?

What do you see?

Breathe deeply and slowly. Sit for awhile.

Be aware. Be still. Appreciate.



World Day of Prayer 2022

England, Wales and
Northern Ireland

Date and Time: Friday 4th March, 2022

At 11am

Location: St. Mary's of The Angels

Basilica 136-148 Yarra Street

Geelong

Contact Person: Sue O'Donoghue

Mobile: 0429 784 331

Barbara Chappell

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Contact Details

Leadership Advisory Team:

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

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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.

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.

Milk Bottle Tops

We are now collecting plastic bottle tops with St. Joseph's College. You can leave your bottle tops in the bucket in the foyer for recycling.

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**