



Western Heights Uniting Church

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Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith

WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH

April 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.

**DAYLIGHT
SAVING
ENDS AT
3AM SUNDAY**



April at a Glance

Sunday 3rd	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga
		Daylight Savings Ends
	11.15am	Eco Group Meeting
Friday 8th	6.30pm	Friday Fun Night
Saturday 9th	3.00pm	Women of the Bible Study & Quilt-A-Long
Sunday 10th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga
Thursday 14th	6.30pm	Maundy Thursday Agape Meal & Tenebrae Service
Friday 15th	9.30am	Good Friday
Sunday 17th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga
		Easter Sunday—Communion
Tuesday 19th	6.30pm	Tuesday Friendship
Wednesday 20th	7.00pm	Church Council Meeting
Sunday 24th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga

Baptism of Henry Harper & Sophie Tingate 27th February 2022



Tuesday Friendship

Tuesday 19th April 2022

at 6.30pm

Easter

All Ladies welcome.

Joan Murphy

Phone 0438 722 035

Friday Fun Night & Eco Group

Eco Group is joining the Friday Fun Night

Friday 8th April 2022

7.00pm

Movie Night 2040

As well as the movie, there will be cartoons, popcorn and jaffas rolling down the aisles.

Please bring a plate of supper to share

Mission Outreach

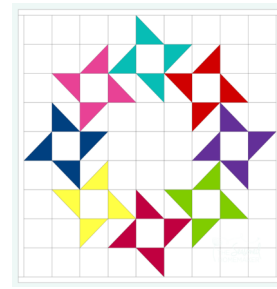
Mission Outreach is looking for an expression of interest from anyone who would like to join the Mission Outreach meetings on the first Wednesday of the month in the afternoons, to keep this group going. Can you please put your name on the sheet at the back of the church? If there is no interest a last meeting will be called to disband.

Summary of Church Council Minutes 16 March 2022

- Devotions by Lynda Scott: Growing Together: The spirit of like-mindedness; Philippians 2,1-4.
- A new pastoral care group to be formed with Temukisa leading the formation of this group.
- Continuing to explore improvement opportunities for the WHUC website and Facebook site.
- Presbytery representatives have been invited to the next meeting of Church Council to discuss collaboration between congregations.
- A combined Pentecost Service for greater Geelong region Uniting Churches is being planned for 5th June, to be held this year at Wesley UC.
- Options for purchase of a defibrillator are being explored.
- Approval given for the Eco Group to purchase some neat recycling cubicles for the church foyer.
- The draft 3 year budget was discussed and approved for inclusion in the Congregation AGM reports.

Peter Morgan, Secretary of Church Council

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!

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...

Eco Tip—from you church Eco-group.

“Unless Planet Earth is saved, my personal salvation is meaningless.” Rev. Dr. J.Zhang, Assembly Theologian in residence.



Our planet is changing: Do we?

Justice and International Mission Convention 2022

Saturday 30 April 9:30 am – 4:15 pm Centre for Theology and Ministry or On-Line 29 College Crescent, Parkville

\$40 for Metro. Participants \$25 concession and non-Metropolitan participants \$10 online participants.

We are witnessing a rapidly growing scientific understanding of the need to act urgently on the environmental challenges we are facing. The Justice and International Mission Convention revisits where the Uniting Church can continue to make a difference in how Australia impacts environment issues.

At this Convention we will particularly consider the issue of whether technological developments will enable us to continue with our current lifestyles without unsustainable harm being done to our planet. The alternative possibility is that we will need to significantly change our lifestyle.

Join in and be part of the conversation to inform the future direction of the Uniting Church's social justice mission as we unpack the urgency of climate change that we are all facing.

Register now by contacting Alicia Torres Centre for Theology and Ministry (03) 9340 8815 or email: Alicia.Torres@victas.uca.org.au

FRIDAY FUN NIGHT

together with the

ECO Group

INVITATION

Movie Night—2040

Friday 8th April 2022

7.00pm in the Horizons Room

Please bring a plate of supper to share



2040 is a 2019 Australian documentary directed by and starring Damon Gameau. The film looks at the effects of climate change over the next 20 years and what technologies that exist today can reverse the effects.



Contact Details

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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.

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.

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.

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**