

#### WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH

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**Our Purpose** Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith



#### SAFE CHURCH

Western Heights Uniting Church is committed to the safety, protection and wellbeing 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.

### SUNDAY MARCH 27 2022

## We welcome you to today's service at Western Heights Uniting Church

Notice Sheet Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 – 10.00am Worship

Please Pray for: ...

those continually in our thoughts and prayers:

**Rosemary Elder** 

Covid Task Group

those with special needs:

Graeme Hardy

Birthdays:

The congregation at Western Heights offers prayerful support of its members and others in a number of ways; because of privacy protocols, names are not included for prayer unless we have received your permission.

## **Uniting Barwon**

Items that would be appreciated this week include: tinned soup, fruit juice, 2 minute noodles, pkts rice. Please place in trolley in the foyer.

## Thought for the week

The great consolation in life is to say what one thinks.

Voltaire

## **Diary for This Week**

Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	Worship Service – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga
		Congregational Annual General Meeting
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Musicians & Singers Practice

## Next Week's Service

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>** 10:00am Worship Service – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga Daylight savings ends – turn clocks back one hour

## John Matthews Thanksgiving Service

If you were unable to come to Johns' service and wish to view the video, you can do so by going to our vimeo site Vimeo.com/whuc.

# 2022 Annual General Meeting

The 2022 Western Heights AGM will be held after the service today Sunday 27th March. A copy of the 2021 Annual Report has been sent by email. Hard copies are available to people that don't receive emails. Lynda Scott Congregational Secretary

## Help Needed

Graeme is unable to clean the hall for the time being. Is there anyone who could volunteer to fill in for a while? Please see Maralann if you wish to help.

# Mission Outreach

An expression of interest is invited from anyone who would like to join the Mission Outreach 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.

# Can You Help?

Bruce is making a Lagerphone for the Presbytery Bush Dance Fundraiser in May, so if you have any metal bottletops, could you put them in a tin please and give them to Bruce. Also, if anyone has an old tea chest that we could use as a Bush Bass that you would be willing to donate, that would be great.

### Minister & Pastoral Care

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga 0400 664 991

Tasks people are doing next week 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022 Vestry Steward: Annette Chidzey Stewards: Glenn Chidzey, Bev Hunt, Doug Thomson Greeter: Barbara Everett Morning Tea: Vanessa Thomson, Doreen Holroyd Musicians: Nathan Gibson, Dudley Holroyd, Les Oliver, Tom Morgan, Bruce Waldron Singers: Lynda Scott, Catherine Van Zetten, Velma Oliver PA / Data: Sharn Waldron / Allister Coots Tasks people are doing today 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022 Vestry Steward: Helen Sleep Stewards: Colin Rookes, Tim Hunt, Doug Thomson Greeter: Bev Hunt Morning Tea: Catherine Van Zetten, Colleen Douglas Musicians: Daniel Payne, Dudley Holroyd, Geoff Coots, Les Oliver, Bruce Waldron, Tom Morgan Singers: Ashley Payne, Bill Fleming, Joan Walker PA / Data: Peter Morgan / Allister Coots

#### 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

#### Luke 15:1-3,11b-32

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: Then Jesus said, 'There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a country, distant and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to

spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'

So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father him and was filled with saw compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe-the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate. 'Now his elder son was in the when field: and he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found." '