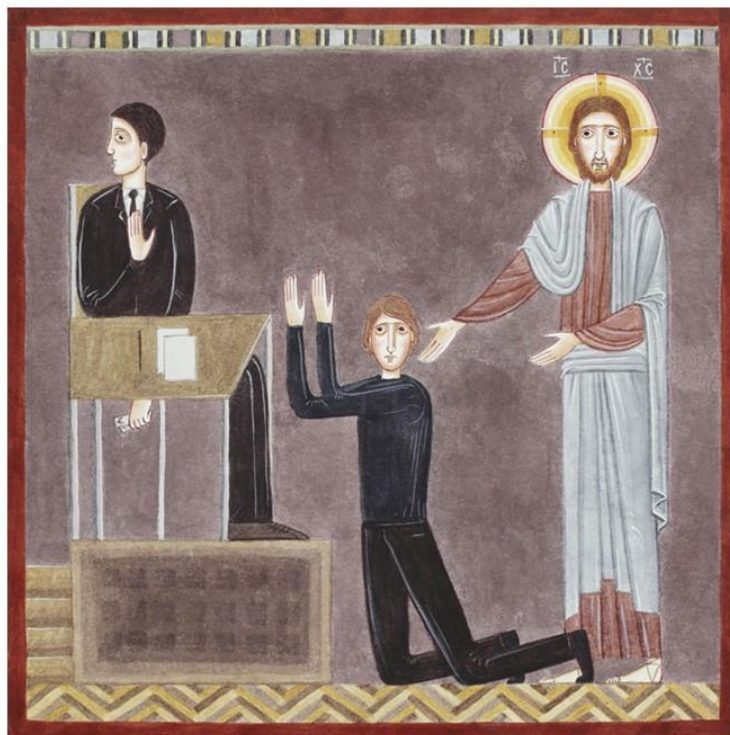




WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH
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Our Purpose

Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith



"Parable of the Unjust Judge" by Nikola Sarić

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.

SUNDAY MAY 21 2023

Western Heights Uniting Church

Notice Sheet Sunday 21st May – 10.00am Worship

Please Pray for:

Safe Church Task Group

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 spaghetti, tinned vegetables, toilet paper.

Thought for the week:

Knowledge advances by steps, not by leaps.

Lord Macaulay

Diary for This Week

Sunday 21st	10.00am	Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana’i-Vaeluaga Communion followed by Congregational Meeting
Thursday 25th	8.00pm	Musicians & Singers Music Practice

Diary for This Week

Sunday 28th	10.00am	Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana’i-Vaeluaga & Rev. Jan Taylor
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Minister & Pastoral

Rev. Temukisa Amituana’i-Vaeluaga
0400 664 991

Pentecost Service 28 May 2023

At its meeting on Wednesday night, Church Council decided that we would have a Pentecost Service at Western Heights on Pentecost, 28 May, 2023. There is also a regional service at Wesley at 10:00 a.m. on the same day, to which our congregation is invited.

Velma Oliver, Chair of Church Council.

Joan Hill 80th Birthday

Joan warmly invites you to join her in celebrating her 80th birthday as she joins the OBE. This will be held on Sunday 11th June at 12.00pm – 3.00pm at Cobradah, Pettit Park, Beauford Avenue, Bell Post Hill. Everyone is welcome and no present please.

Mother's Day Thank-You

A very special thank-you to everyone who participated in making our Mother's Day Café Church and Biggest Morning Tea fund-raiser such a success. Thanks for setting up, baking, whipping cream, making sandwiches, serving, cleaning up after and everything else. Many hands surely did make light work. Apologies to those who came to set up on Friday at 2:00. Because we have tenants in the Horizons Room during weekdays, access is only available after 5. It is hoped that all enjoyed a beautiful Mother's Day. The sum of \$280 was raised for the Cancer Council. Well done.

2023 Winter Share Appeal

Donations can be made by placing a marked envelope "Share Winter Appeal" and placed in the offering bowl, visiting their website unitingvictas.org.au/share-appeal or for self-mailing envelopes they will be included in the June Crosslight.

Irene McKinley's Funeral Thank-You

A very special THANK-YOU to everyone who assisted in any way beforehand, during and after our dear Irene McKinley's funeral on Monday, 8 May, 2023 at Western Heights. Everyone's assistance is much appreciated and valued.

What is your favourite music?

The WMMT are planning a special celebration of our favourite music. Please have a think about your favourite hymns and songs and let one of the team know or write it on the list at the back of the church.

**Tasks people are doing today.
21st May 2023**

Vestry Steward: Annette Chidzey

Reader: Jenni Harper

Stewards: Graeme Hardy, Glenn Chidzey

Greeter: Joan Murphy

Morning Tea: Colleen Douglas,
Maralann Damiano

Hall Cleaner: Neil Douglas

Musicians: Dudley Holroyd, Les Oliver,
Geoff Coots, Bruce Waldron

Singers: Lynda Scott, Bev Hunt, Bill Fleming, Bianca Brant

PA/Data: Tim Hunt / Allister Coots

Tasks people are doing next week.

28th May 2023

Vestry Steward: Roger Dingle

Reader: Neil Douglas

Stewards: Glenn Chidzey, Geoff Everett

Greeter: Colleen Douglas

Morning Tea: Heather Rookes, Barbara Everett

Hall Cleaner: Neil Douglas

Musicians: Daniel Payne, Dudley Holroyd, Les Oliver, Bruce Waldron, Geoff Coots.

Singers: Ashley Payne, Lynda Scott

PA/Data: Sharn Waldron / Allister Coots

LUKE 18: 1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because

this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ' And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

**Singing for the Creek
'Musical Afternoon'**



**Singing Groups & Musical talents presented.
At Grovedale Uniting Church**

**2pm 4th June 2023
Includes Afternoon Tea
\$10 or donation as able.**



Contact: 0425718224 Proceeds to Armstrong Creek Uniting Faith Community

**RECONCILIATION IN THE PARK
JOHNSTONE PARK
SUNDAY MAY 28TH**

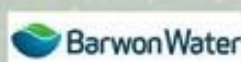
10:00 - 3:00

'Be A Voice For Generations'



- **Welcome to Country**
 - **Local Dancers**
- **Community Performers**
 - **Uncle Rob Bundle**
 - **Hands on Activities**
 - **Possum Skin Cloak Workshop**
 - **Kids Activities**
- **FREE BBQ from 11:30**
- **Coffee Van on site for purchasing drinks**
- **Local Arts and Crafts Market Returns**

- **Everyone is Welcome**
- **Free Entry**



Safe Church Training Module One 2023

It is again time for those of us with Working with Children Checks to complete the new National Childsafe Training Course. These include all active ministry agents, lay people who hold leadership roles in the church such as church councillors, church administrator, worship leaders, pastoral carers, safe church task group members, Bible readers, stewards, music leaders, organists and pianists, Bible Study/Small Group Leaders.

The Safe Church Task Group (comprising of Velma Oliver, Bianca Brant, Heather Rookes and Nathan Gibson) is committed to implementing the Child Safe Policy of the Uniting Church in Australia –Synod of VicTas, so that all children involved in our activities, services, events and programs are safe and feel safe. We are committed to respecting diversity and providing safe, inclusive environments where children are cared for, respected, nurtured and sustained. Our goal is for everyone who holds a Working With Children Check to complete the training by the end of June, using one of the following three options:

1. Face-to-Face Training at Belmont Uniting Church, Thompson St., Belmont to be held on Fri. 23rd June at 2 p.m. or 7 p.m. Booking arrangements to follow.
2. Online training via the safechurch.ucavictas.org.au website:

Click on “Training”, then click on “Safe Church training” in the drop down box. On the right side, under the heading ‘Downloads and Resources’, click on “Online Training Registration” to register for individual training and submit your details. This will allow you to choose between working through online training modules or work through a paper based Workbook. You will receive a reply when your enrolment has been accepted with further details on setting a password etc.

3. If you would like a hard copy of the Work Book to work through, please let Velma know by Sunday, 4 June, 2023, and a hard copy will be ordered for you from Synod.

Many thanks for your willingness to complete the training. If you require further information or support please speak to Velma, Bianca, Heather or Nathan.