



**WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH**  
31 Douglass Street, Herne Hill  
Tel: 5229 2681 : Email: [office@whuc.com.au](mailto:office@whuc.com.au)  
Website: [www.whuc.com.au](http://www.whuc.com.au)

### *Our Purpose*

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



### **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 JUNE 11 2023**

# Western Heights Uniting Church

Notice Sheet Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June – 10.00am Worship

## Please Pray for:

Leadership Advisory Team

**Sympathy:** To Julia & Gary Ekkel on the recent death of Julia's mother Shirley Douglas.

**Birthdays:**

Joan Hill	11 <sup>th</sup>	80 <sup>th</sup>
Chris Howard	14 <sup>th</sup>	70 <sup>th</sup>

*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: cereal, coffee, tea, condensed/evaporated milk, cake mixes.

### Thought for the week:

“If God is Trinity and Jesus is the face of God, then it is a benevolent universe.”

Richard Ruhr

## Diary for This Week

<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am	Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00pm	Musicians & Singers Music Practice
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	6.00pm	Friday Fun Night – Movie The Merger

## Diary for This Week

<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am	Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga Guest Speaker and Communion
-------------------------------	---------	--

## *People Helping Elsewhere*

Michele Hardy – St. Andrews/St. Albans

### Minister & Pastoral

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga  
0400 664 991

## Friday Fun Night

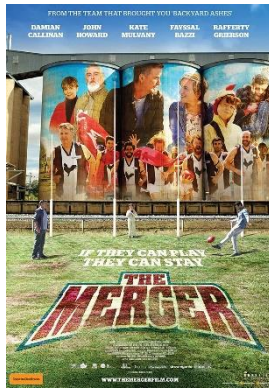
Movie Night

The Merger

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

6.00pm Horizons Room

Bring food to share



## Pastoral Care Coordinating Team

At the Congregational Meeting held on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May, two nominees were affirmed being Glenn Chidzey and Vanessa Thomson. We are still calling for more nominations to make this team viable. Nomination forms are on the table at the back of the church.

## UPDATE Community Garden.

After the successful application for a grant we are now looking for someone to design some artwork for some signage. Please consider if you know someone of any age who might be interested in doing this. Contact Joan Walker or Glenn Chidzey.

## 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.

11<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**Vestry Steward:** Annette Chidzey

**Reader:** Trish Fleming

**Stewards:** Geoff Everett, Neil Douglas

**Greeter:** Colleen Douglas

**Morning Tea:** Barbara Everett, Vanessa Thomson

**Hall Cleaner:** Glenn Chidzey

**Musicians:** Sue Ekkel, Bruce Waldron.

**Singers:** Lynda Scott, Bill Fleming,  
Velma Oliver, Bianca Brant

**PA/Data:** Sharn Waldron / Jan Grigg

### Tasks people are doing next week.

18<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**Vestry Steward:** Velma Oliver

**Reader:**

**Stewards:** Glenn Chidzey, Colin Rookes

**Greeter:** Doreen Holroyd

**Morning Tea:** Heather Rookes, Joan & David Walker

**Hall Cleaner:** Bruce Waldron

**Musicians:** Daniel Payne, Les Oliver, Bruce Waldron, Dudley Holroyd

**Singers:** Lynda Scott, Ashley Payne, Bev Hunt

**PA/Data:** Tim Hunt / Jan Grigg

### **ACTS 9: 36-43**

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

### **GENESIS 18: 1-15**

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and

after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?' The LORD said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, "Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?" Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.' But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.'

### **MATTHEW 25: 35-45**

for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you

hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was

hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me."

## 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, worship leaders, pastoral carers, safe church task group members, Bible readers, 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. 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. **or** from 7 to 9:00 p.m.

**To register for one of these sessions, please see Velma with your valid WWCC by Sunday, 11 June, 2023.**

2. Online training via the [safechurch.ucavictas.org.au](http://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, 11 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.