

#### 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 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 SEPTEMBER 17 2023** 

# Western Heights Uniting Church

Notice Sheet Sunday 17<sup>h</sup> September – 10.00am Worship

### **Please Pray for:**

**Church Council** 

#### 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: long-life milk, margarine, pasta, cheese, pasta sauces.

## Thought for the week:

Change is not made without inconvenience, even from worse to better.

Richard Hooker

### Diary for This Week

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>** 10.00am Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Communion

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> 12.00pm Tuesday Friendship

Wednesday 20th 7.00pm Church Council Meeting

Thursday 21st 8.00pm Musicians & Singers Music Practice

#### Diary for Next Week

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

#### **Minister & Pastoral**

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga 0400 664 991

### Fathers Day Breakfast

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>, approx. 26 people enjoyed scrambled eggs, bacon, salad, mushrooms, toast, jam, marmalade and fruit in a first ever "Father's Day Breakfast", interspersed with conversation around the tables about "what work did your father do in his life".

A huge "Thank You" to those who set up, provided, cooked and served this wonderful meal. Thank you, too for donations totalling \$65.00 towards the costs of the meal.

## St. Andrews Closing Worship Service

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm Cnr Sydney Avenue & Sydney Parade Geelong RSVP Rhonda Mitchell

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## Safe Church Training

- 1. This is a friendly reminder that, if you are required to have a Working With Children Check for the task that you perform at Western Heights UC, you are also required to do the new Safe Church Training. Please see Velma, Bianca, Heather or Nathan for more information.
- 2. Thanks to all who have completed the training. Please show Jan Grigg your certificate when you have received it.

Safe Church Group

Tasks people are doing today. 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**Vestry Steward:** Velma Oliver **Reader**: Annette Chidzey

Stewards: Glenn Chidzey, Colin Rookes

**Greeter:** Doreen Holroyd

Morning Tea: Heather Rookes, Joan &

David Walker

Hall Cleaner: Glenn Chidzey
Musicians: Nathan Gibson, Geoff
Coots, Les Oliver, Dudley Holroyd,
Singers: Velma Oliver, Bev Hunt,

Bianca Brant

**Data:** Sharn Waldron / Allister Coots

Tasks people are doing next week. 24th September 2023

Vestry Steward: Sharn Waldron

Reader: Tim Hunt

**Stewards**: Graeme Hardy, Bruce Rookes

**Greeter:** Barbara Everett

Morning Tea: Gwen Woods, Colleen

Douglas

Hall Cleaner: Glenn Chidzey
Musicians: Melinda Bell, Dudley
Holroyd, Geoff Coots, Bruce Waldron
Singers: Bev Hunt, Bianca Brant

PA/Data: Peter Morgan / Allister Coots

#### **EXODUS 14: 19-31**

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.' Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.' So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

#### **MATTHEW 18: 15-35**

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so

that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.' Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellowslaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'