



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 10 2023

Western Heights Uniting Church

Notice Sheet Sunday 10th September – 10.00am Worship

Please Pray for:

ECO Group

Sympathy: To Peter, Karen, Tom & Issac Morgan on the recent death of their mother, grandmother Annette Morgan.

Birthdays: Leila Green 15th

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.

Thought for the week:

It is in our idleness, in our dreams, that the submerged truth sometimes comes to the top.

Virginia Woolf

Diary for This Week

Sunday 10th 10.00am Worship – Rev. Paul Stephens
Season of Creation Service

Thursday 14th 8.00pm Musicians & Singers Music Practice

Diary for Next Week

Sunday 17th 10.00am Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga
Communion

Minister & Pastoral

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga
0400 664 991

Fathers Day Breakfast

Last Sunday morning, 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.

Community Garden Working Bee

Community Garden needs able bodied people **this SATURDAY 9th September 9am onwards**, to shovel soil and stones into the new Wicking Beds . We will then plant some seedlings for Spring. Please contact Joan Walker 0437 878 187 or Glenn Chidzey 0419 596 199 if you can attend. Much appreciated.

Induction of Rev Jeanne Beale (Deacon)

You are warmly invited to the Induction of Rev Jeanne Beale (Deacon) which will take place today Sunday 10th September 2023 at 2:00pm at St Andrews – St Albans Park and The Uniting Faith and Families Faith Communities – Cnr Sydney Avenue and Sydney Parade Geelong

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.

10th September 2023

Vestry Steward: Helen Sleep

Reader: Trish Fleming

Stewards: Geoff Everett, Neil Douglas

Greeter: Janet Pavlakis

Morning Tea: Barbara Everett, Gwen Woods

Hall Cleaner: Neil Douglas

Musicians: Les Oliver, Dudley Holroyd, Geoff Coots

Singers: Lynda Scott, Bill Fleming, Bev Hunt, Catherine Van Zetten, Bianca Brant

PA/Data: Tim Hunt / Allister Coots

Tasks people are doing next week.

17th 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, Bruce Waldron

Singers: Velma Oliver, Bev Hunt

Data: Sharn Waldron / Allister Coots

AMOS 5: 21-24 (NRSV)

²¹ I hate, I despise your festivals,
and I take no delight in your
solemn assemblies.

²² Even though you offer me your
burnt offerings and grain
offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the offerings of well-being of
your fatted animals
I will not look upon.

²³ Take away from me the noise of
your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of
your harps.

²⁴ But let justice roll down like
waters,
and righteousness like an ever-
flowing stream.

JOHN 7: 37-39 (NRSV)

³⁷ On the last day of the festival,
the great day, while Jesus was
standing there, he cried out, "Let
anyone who is thirsty come to me,
³⁸ and let the one who believes in
me drink. As the scripture has
said, 'Out of the believer's heart
shall flow rivers of living water.'"
³⁹ Now he said this about the
Spirit, which believers in him
were to receive; for as yet there
was no Spirit, because Jesus was
not yet glorified.

Photo: Matt Hrkac

FORUM:
**THE FAIRNESS
YET TO COME**

EVERYONE DESERVES
PERMANENT RESIDENCY

Unfinished business in
Australia's refugee policies

Thursday September 14, 7:15pm
(for a 7:30pm start)

Wesley Uniting Church, 100 Yarra St, Geelong

Featuring speakers:

Sr Brigid Arthur AO
Long time asylum seeker advocate, co-founder
of the Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project.

Ben Goulding
Senior Lawyer from Refugee Legal, Australia's
largest provider of free specialist legal assistance to
people seeking asylum.

Geetha Ramachandran
Asylum seeker with lived experience of the
Fast Track system.

**MC: Former WIN News
sports presenter Wes Cusworth**

While there are no refugees currently held in
Nauru, and the Albanese Government has
began to implement the change to
permanent visas for people who were
granted temporary protection in
Australia, there are several issues in
Australia's refugee policy which are
still in need of address.

Among them, is that **up to 12,000
people remain in limbo** after their
applications for asylum were
rejected in what the current
government states was a flawed
and unfair system.

**This forum will explore the
situation for these people
and the action that needs to
be taken to provide them
with safety.**

Some accessible parking is available
onsite. Parking is also available in Yarra St,
behind Village Cinema (off Lt Ryrie St)
or at the Haymarket car park (off Myers St).

For forum inquiries, please contact:
combinedrefugeactiongroup@gmail.com

