

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 15 2024

Western Heights Uniting Church

Notice Sheet Sunday 8th September 2024-10.00am Worship

Please Pray for:

Church Council

Birthdays: Leila Green Today

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: spreads, tinned fruit, tinned meat, DB blankets, men's t/pants.

Thought for the week:

I never resist temptation because I have found that things that are bad for me never tempt me.

George Bernard Shaw

Diary for This Week

Sunday 15th 10.00am Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Communion

Monday 16th 3.00pm Shared Community Garden Task Group Meeting

Tuesday 17th 12.00pm Tuesday Friendship

Wednesday 18th 7.00pm Church Council Meeting

Thursday 19th 8.00pm Musicians & Singers Music Practice

Diary for Next Week

Sunday 22nd 10.00am Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Messy Church

Minister & Pastoral

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga 0400 664 991

Electricity Interruption

We have been advised that there is to be a planned electricity supply interruption affecting Western Heights buildings from 8.45 am to 3.30 pm on Thursday 26th September 2024.

This will also mean that the office phone will be unavailable during that period.

First Fruits Donation

The Symbol for Season of Creation this year is First Fruits. If you are able to donate 'first fruits' for our church display, this would be appreciated. At the conclusion of the Season of Creation the fruits will be donated to Uniting. Looking for:

Pumpkins/butter nut (whole)

Egg Plants

Corns

Sweet Potatoes

Potatoes

Carrots

Tomatoes

Capsicum

Cabbage

Fruits of all sorts

Much appreciated.

Temukisa

Tasks people are doing today. 15th September 2024 Vestry Steward:

Reader: Geoff Coots

Stewards: Neil Douglas, Colin Rookes

Greeter: Joan Murphy

Morning Tea: Catherine Van Zetten,

Maralann Damiano **Hall Cleaner:** Neil Douglas

Musicians: Dudley Holroyd, Les Oliver,

Bruce Waldron, Geoff Coots

Singers: Lynda Scott, Bev Hunt, Bill

Fleming

PA/Data: Tim Hunt / Allister Coots

Noticeboard

Uniting — support those in need at Christmas. Looking for volunteers in various roles.

Tamil Welcome Feast – Saturday 21st September in Queenscliff. Also looking for volunteers for the day.

Leprosy Mission – Book Launch. Celebrating the work and ministry of Trevor and Heather Smith. Saturday 19 October 2-4.30pm, Horizon Room. Tasks people are doing next week. 22nd September 2024

Vestry Steward: Roger Dingle **Reader**: Roger Dingle

Stewards: Maralann Damiano, Bruce

Rookes

Greeter: Heather Rookes

Morning Tea: Michele Hardy, Jean Payne

Hall Cleaner: Neil Douglas

Musicians: Melinda Bell, Les Oliver, Dudley

Holroyd, Geoff Coots

Singers: Lynda Scott, Bill Fleming, Bev Hunt **PA/Data:** Peter Morgan / Allister Coots

For she is a reflection of eternal light, a spotless mirror of the working of God, and an image of his goodness. Although she is but one, she can do all things, and while remaining in herself, she renews all things; in every generation she passes into holy souls and makes them friends of God, and prophets; for God loves nothing so much as the person who lives with wisdom. She is more beautiful than the sun, and excels every constellation of the stars. Compared with the light she found to superior, is be for it is succeeded by the night, but against wisdom evil does not prevail. She reaches mightily from one end of the earth to the other,

and she orders all things well.



Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, any want to become followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in adulterous and generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with

the holy angels.'

MARK 8: 27 - 38