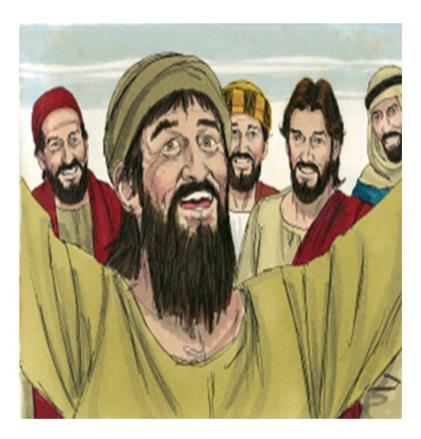


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#### **Our Purpose**

Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith



#### SAFE CHURCH

Western Heights Uniting Church is committed to the safety, protection and wellbeing 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 27 OCTOBER 2024

# Western Heights Uniting Church

#### Notice Sheet Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024–10.00am Worship

Please Pra	y for:		
Birthdays:	Worship Group Archie Gibson Derek Hardy Allister Coots Ian Wood	3 <sup>rd</sup> November 8 <sup>th</sup> November 10 <sup>th</sup> November 10 <sup>th</sup> November	

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:

When things are steep, remember to stay level-headed.

Horace

## Diary for This Week

Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Worship – Michele Hardy
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup>	8.00pm	Musicians & Singers Music Practice
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:30am	Garden Working Bee
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00am	Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Minister and Pastoral Care Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga is on annual leave until 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2024. Contact Rev. Bruce Waldron for emergency pastoral matters on 0491 663 514. Refer to the Pastoral Care Co-ordinating Team: Glenn Chidzey, Helen Sleep or Jan Taylor for all pastoral care matters. Tennis Club 2025 Cadel Evans Race: 29 JANUARY - 2 FEBRUARY, 2025 We are looking for volunteers for the Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Please talk to Bruce Rookes (0402135313) or sign up using **volunteers@sparkeventgroup.com** Every volunteer enables us to receive a donation towards the resurfacing of the courts.

## Samoan Cultural Experience

In partnership with Leopold Uniting Church – we are hosting a Samoan Cultural Day. Date: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Time: 3pm Venue: Leopold Uniting Church Cost: \$25 per head Please put your name down on the sheet provided and give payment to Geoff Coots. We need confirmed numbers by the end of October for catering purposes.

### **Newspaper Collection**

We are still collecting newspapers for the "umu". (Samoan outdoor oven)

## Combined Service Cancelled

The combined service of Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> November has been cancelled. Worship on that day will take place at 10 am at Western Heights.

### Induction of Rev. Isabel Greenall

You are warmly invited to the induction of Rev. Isabel Greenall into the Chaplaincy Placement at Barwon Health on Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 at 6:30pm at Belmont UC at 42 Thomson Street, Belmont.

## **Presbytery Elections**

Nominations are sought for Presbytery Office Bearers and Committee Representatives. Completed nomination forms are to be forwarded by email to judy.rigby@ppw.victas.uca.org.au before 4:00pm on 21 November, 2024. Copies of the nomination forms and other information are available from the office.

Summary of Church Council (CC) Minutes 16 October 2024

- Devotions By Velma Oliver. Mark 12:28-30. How do we love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength?
- No combined service with Leopold UC on 10 November. Service as usual at WH.
- Beryl Edmonds' transfer from Noble Street to WH has been accepted by CC.
- CC completed their 'Closer Look at their Purpose Statement'.
- Thank you to Rhonda Dingle for initiating again the Advent Labyrinth, and for Maralann Damiano's assistance in painting it later in November.
- CC needs the assistance of an ongoing IT support person/s and a back-up office manager when Jan Grigg is unavailable. Please see Velma if you can help.
- For the sake of all present at our services, CC requests that anyone using the lectern microphone during any church service, adjust the mike to their height and that they speak clearly and slowly into the microphone.
- "Carols for Everyone" has been changed to "Community Carols" and will be held on Saturday, 21 December, 2024, at the front of the church (outside).
- A Special Thank-You to all who have assisted at church and at funeral services over the last few busy months. Your service is valued.
- Velma Oliver, Chair of Church Council

Tasks people are doing this week. 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Vestry Steward: Helen Sleep Reader: Graeme Hardy Stewards: Neil Douglas, Bruce Rookes Greeter: Janet Pavlakis Morning Tea: Barb Everett, Michele Hardy Hall Cleaner: Maralann Damiano Musicians: Sue Ekkel, Dudley Holroyd, Geoff Coots Singers: Bruce Waldron, Ashley Payne, Bill Fleming PA/Data: Tim Hunt / Allister Coots

#### Psalm 126

#### A Song of Ascents.

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the

nations,

'The LORD has done great things for them.'

The LORD has done great things for us,

and we rejoiced.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb. May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. Tasks people are doing next week. 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024 Vestry Steward: Roger Dingle Reader: Roger Dingle Stewards: Glenn Chidzey, Neil Douglas Greeter: Doreen Holroyd Morning Tea: Heather Rookes, Maralann Damiano Hall Cleaner: Neil Douglas Musicians: Melinda Bell, Dudley Holroyd, Bruce Waldron, David Andrews Singers: Lynda Scott, Ashley Payne, Catherine Van Zetten PA/Data: Sharn Waldron / Allister Coots

Mark 10:46-52

#### The Healing of Blind Bartimaeus

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again. 'Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.