

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 16 MARCH 2025

Western Heights Uniting Church

Notice Sheet Sunday 16th March 2025 - 10.00am Worship

Please Pray for:

Church Council Trish & Bill Fleming

Ally, Aaron, Logan & Alex Sharn & Bruce Waldron

Birthdays: Tim Hunt 19th

Robert Van Zetten 20th

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:

Little by little does the trick.

AESOP

Diary for This Week

Sunday 16th 10.00am Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Communion

Wednesday 19th 12.00pm Shared lunch & Lenten Studies

7.00pm Church Council Meeting

Thursday 20th 8.00pm Musicians & Singers Music Practice

Diary for Next Week

Sunday 23rd 10.00am Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Minister and Pastoral Care

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Phone: 0400 664 991

Congregational Annual General Meeting

The 2025 Western Heights
Congregational Annual General
Meeting will be held after the service
on Sunday 23rd March 2025.

Nominations for Church Council

Calling for nominations for Church Council. Please see Jan for nominations forms. Congregational AGM will confirm the nominations.

Reminder 2025 Lenten Studies

The Lenten Studies continue this Wednesday 19th for 4 weeks starting with a share lunch at 12.00pm.

Midweek Communion Service and Fellowship

Will be held on Wednesday 26th March 2025 at 2.00pm. Please bring a small plate to share. All welcome

Tasks people are doing today. 16th March 2025

Vestry Steward: Michele Hardy

Reader: Geoff Coots

Stewards: Bruce Rookes, Neil Douglas

Greeter: Joan Murphy

Morning Tea: Michele Hardy, Maralann

Damiano

Hall Cleaner: Maralann Damiano **Musicians:** Nathan Gibson, Dudley

Holroyd, Geoff Coots

Singers: Ashley Payne, Lynda Scott,

Catherine Van Zetten

PA/Data: Sharn Waldron / Allister Coots

Sacrededge 2025

Hello Everyone... don't forget!
Tickets for May 2-4, 2025
Sacrededge Festival are on sale now!
A handful of 2nd release Early Bird
Weekend tickets are still available
until FRIDAY MARCH 21(unless sold
out prior)

Prices increase 22 March.
Book your tickets <u>HERE</u>
This year's theme is
"Stories of the edge"
listening to story - discovering our own

The Festival full weekend program runs FRI 5pm-10pm, SAT 10am-10pm, SUN 10am-4pm It's going to be wonderful.

A Celebration of Diversity for ALL

Tasks people are doing next week.

23rd March 2025

Vestry Steward: Helen Sleep Reader: Allister Coots

Stewards: Graeme Hardy, Maralann

Damiano

Greeter: Barbara Everett

Morning Tea: Catherine Van Zetten,

Jean Payne

Hall Cleaner: Glenn Chidzey

Musicians: Sue Ekkel, Dudley Holroyd,

Geoff Coots

Singers: Ashley Payne, Bev Hunt, Lynda

Scott

PA/Data: Tim Hunt / Allister Coots

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 [NRSV]

Later the Lord spoke to Abram in a vision, "Abram, don't be afraid! I will protect you and reward you greatly." ² But Abram answered, "Lord All-Powerful, you have given me everything I could ask for, except children. And when I die, Eliezer of Damascus will get all I own. ³ You have not given me any children, and this servant of mine will inherit everything."

⁴ The Lord replied, "No, he won't! You will have a son of your own, and everything you have will be his." 5 Then the Lord took Abram outside and said, "Look at the sky and see if you can count the stars. That's how many descendants you will have." 6 Abram believed the Lord, so the Lord was pleased with him and accepted him. ⁷The Lord said to Abram, "I brought you here from Ur in Chaldea, and I gave you this land." 8 Abram asked, "Lord God, how can I know the land will be mine?" ⁹ Then the Lord told him, "Bring me a three-year-old cow, a three-year-old female goat, a three-year-old ram, a dove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰ Abram obeyed the Lord. Then he cut the animals in half and laid the two halves of each animal opposite each other on the ground. But he did not cut the doves and pigeons in half. 11 And when birds came down to eat the animals, Abram chased them away. 12 As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and everything became dark and frightening. ¹⁷ Sometime after sunset, when it was very dark, a smoking cooking pot and a flaming fire passed between the two halves of each animal. 18 At that time the Lord made an agreement with Abram and told him: I will give your descendants the land east of the Shihor River(f) on the border of

Luke 13:31-35

Egypt as far as the Euphrates River.

³¹ At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said, "You had better get away from here, because Herod wants to kill you!"

³² Jesus said to them: Go tell that fox, "I am going to force out demons and heal people today and tomorrow, and three days later I'll be through." ³³ But I am going on my way today and tomorrow and the next day. After all, Jerusalem is the place

where prophets are killed. ³⁴ Jerusalem, Jerusalem! Your people have killed the prophets and have stoned the messengers who were sent to you. I have often wanted to gather your people, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings. But you wouldn't let me. 35 Now your temple will be deserted. You won't see me again until the time when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

