



## Western Heights Uniting Church

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Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith

WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH

# June 2025 NEWSLETTER

## 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.

## June at a Glance

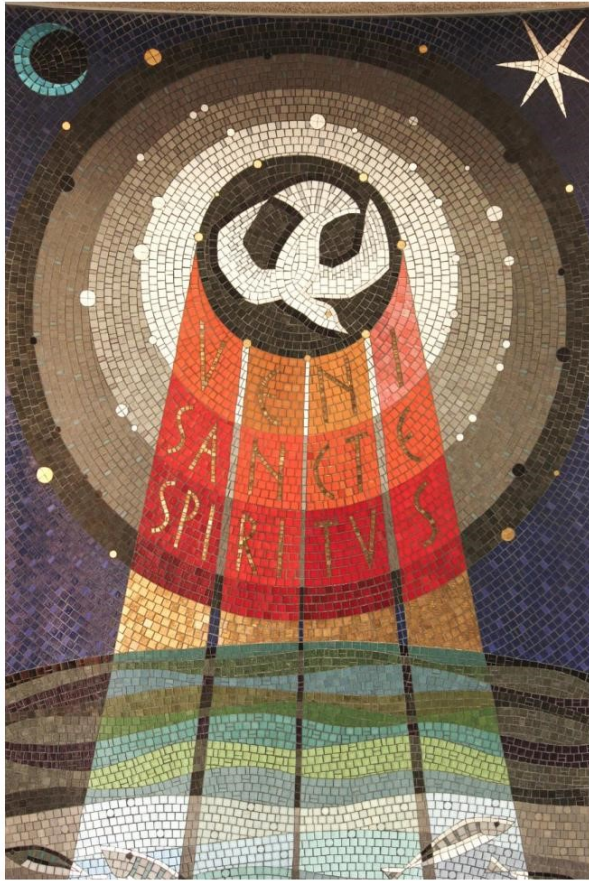
Sunday 1st	10.00am	Taize/Reflective Service—Rev. Jan Taylor, Sue Ekkel & Lynda Scott
Saturday 7th	9.30am	Shared Community Garden Working Bee
Sunday 8th	10.00am	Pentecost Sunday—Combined Geelong Service at Belmont Uniting Church—No Service at WHUC
Sunday 15th	10:00am	Worship—Michele Hardy
	2.00pm	Rev. Robert Van Zetten—Communion
Wednesday 18th	3.30pm	Friday Fun Night—A Musical Concert
Sunday 22nd	10.00am	Church Council Meeting
		Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga
		UCA Anniversary combine service at WHUC
Sunday 29th	10.00am	Worship—Michele Hardy

## Staff on Leave

Temukisa will be on leave from **Monday 5th May—Tuesday 17th June**.

## Minister and Pastoral Care Emergencies

Rev Bruce Waldron is the minister offering Pastoral Care from the 26<sup>th</sup> May to 15<sup>th</sup> June. Contact 0491 663 514.



Kossowski, Adam. Veni Sancti Spiritus, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library

# Pentecost Service

*Uniting Churches across Greater Geelong*

**Sunday, 8 June, at 10.00am**

at Belmont Uniting Church, 42 Thomson Street, Belmont

*Acts 2:1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place*

Holy Communion will be celebrated.

Offering for UnitingWorld End of Financial Year Appeal 2025.

Preacher: Rev Will Nicholas (St David's UC).

Please bring a plate to share for morning tea

## Shared Community Garden News

The community garden provides an opportunity to engage with others in a relaxed atmosphere. Our vision is that the wider community will find a place of safety and support as we grow vegetables and relationships together.

### NEXT WORKING BEE

**SATURDAY 7th June 9.30 – 11AM**

Come when you can, leave when you have to.

Refreshments provided

The **Community Garden Task group** meets regularly to develop further ideas for engaging the community, discuss tasks in the garden and plan future planting and harvesting.

## Friday Fun Night

### A Musical Concert

**Will be held by the Friday Night Fun Group, not on Friday Night, but on**

**Sunday 15th June, starting at 2.00pm and finish around 4.00pm, so you all can come and listen or perform.**

**If you would like to show your musical talent to us please ring or see Bruce Rookes 0402 135 313.**

**Each artist will have approx. 10 minutes, depending on the number of performers.**

**A gold coin donation will go toward support of recent arrivals.**

**Afternoon Tea will be provided.**





# UCA ANNIVERSARY



WHEN  
**22 JUNE 2025**  
**10AM**

LET OUR VOICE REJOICE

GUEST SPEAKER: Rev David Kim  
[VICTAS Multicultural Ministries Coordinator]

Let's celebrate the diversity within the UCA!

VENUE: Western Heights Uniting Church  
31 Douglass Street, Heme Hill

Shared lunch to follow – all are welcome!



Join us at  
the Uniting  
book sale.

Nothing over \$1  
Children's books  
\$0.50!

Join us at our monthly book sale.

Held the first Friday and Saturday of  
each month at Uniting Grovedale,  
the Uniting book sale raises much  
needed funds for local services.

Friday  
6<sup>th</sup> June  
&  
Saturday  
7<sup>th</sup> June  
10am - 2pm

272 Torquay Rd, Grovedale  
(Corner Reserve and Torquay Roads)

**Uniting**



Spread the warmth  
this winter.

With the colder months upon us, we need your help  
to bring some comfort to those who suffer most in  
the cold weather.

Your generosity will directly impact people in your  
local community seeking shelter and warmth.

Donate online: [unitingvictas.org.au/local-winter](https://unitingvictas.org.au/local-winter)



Scan me to  
donate online.

Donate winter items:

Blankets, warm clothing, swags, sleeping bags, toiletries and non-perishable food

Drop off location:

Grovedale: 272 Torquay Rd (Cnr Reserve Rd and Torquay Rd), Monday-Friday, 9am - 12pm  
Norlane: 10 Wendover Avenue, Tuesday-Thursday, 9am-12pm



Uniting is the community services organisation  
of the Uniting Church in Victoria and Tasmania.



**Uniting**



# Contact Details

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**Minister:** Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga

0400 664 991

Temukisa's day off is **Monday** so please refrain from contacting her on this day.

**Church Council Chair:** Lynda Scott

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**Property Co-ordinator:** Graeme Hardy

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**Communications**

**Administrator:** Jan Grigg 5229 5889

**Pastoral Care:**

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga

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## WHUC Office:

Phone: 5229 2681

Office hours: Wed: 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Fri : 9am – 1:00pm

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## Parental/Guardian Permission

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In order for Western Heights to be a Safe Church, we are seeking the permission of parents or guardians to photograph or video their children during church services and other church-related activities. Permission forms are available at the back of the church. Please hand completed forms to the duty steward of the day.

## Eco Group

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The Eco Group has started an Eco Books library, in the entry foyer. Please borrow books and if you have good books on the subject, you would be willing to share, see Bruce W.

## With Love To The World

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Used With Love to the World booklets can be left in the marked drawer in the recycling material box in the foyer.

## Pew Sheet

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If anyone wishes to receive the Pew Sheet information by email each week, please give your name and email address to Jan in the office.

## Light Globes & Batteries

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Did you know that light globes and batteries of any sort can be recycled? There is a box in the foyer near the stamps where you can leave them.

## Postage stamps

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Sammy Stamp is a part of the UCAF (Uniting Church Adult Fellowship) that collects postage stamps, sells them and then provides grants for small projects not covered in the Synod Budget. There is a box in the foyer for you to put your used stamps. If you could cut around your stamp leaving 5mm of paper that would be helpful.

## Milk Bottle Tops

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We are collecting plastic **milk** bottle tops with St. Joseph's College. You can leave your milk bottle tops in the foyer for recycling.

## Future Monthly Newsletters

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To be included in the Monthly Newsletter, please ensure your notices are at the church office by the **20<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month**. They can be dropped in to the office in a clearly marked envelope, or emailed to the office, at [office@whuc.com.au](mailto:office@whuc.com.au)

## Uniting Church Safe Church Policies

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Access to key Safe Church policies is available on: [safechurch.ucavictas.org.au](http://safechurch.ucavictas.org.au)