



Western Heights Uniting Church

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Loving God: Growing Together, Partnering Community, Sharing Faith

WESTERN HEIGHTS UNITING CHURCH

November 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.

November at a Glance

Saturday 1st	9.30am	Shared Community Garden Working Bee
Sunday 2nd	10.00am	Worship—Michele Hardy All Saints Service
Saturday 8th	6.00pm	Friday Fun Night—Trivia Night
Sunday 9th	10.00am	Worship—Small Group
Sunday 16th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Robert Van Zetten Communion
Wednesday 19th	3.30pm	Church Council Meeting
Sunday 23rd	10:00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga
Sunday 30th	10.00am	Worship—Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Staff on Leave

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga

Thursday 30th October—Sunday 2nd November—Somalian Assembly Conference

Monday 3rd November—Monday 17th November—Study Leave

Dates for your Diary

Neighbourhood Carolling, 10/12, 15/12, 16/12, meet at church 7pm

Community Carols- 6pm 21/12/25

Welcoming Christmas Quietly- 11:30pm 24/12/25

Christmas Day - 9:30 am

Labyrinth Newtown- any time

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 1st November 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.

OPEN GARDENS

around the Borough



Five Gardens

Saturday November 22

10am-5pm

\$8 per garden or \$28 all gardens

Devonshire Teas, Wine, Lunches, Coffee & Slices

Raffle, Plants & Books, Art Activities, Host Gardeners

SBEA 'Gardens for Wildlife' info &

Indigenous Nursery Plant Stall

Bookings and Info:



www.unitingqueenscliff.org.au
contemplation creativity compassion

Friday Fun Night

Saturday 8th November

6.00pm

Trivia Night

See flyer for more details below

Western Heights Uniting Tennis Club

TRIVIA NIGHT

\$15 per person
\$100 per table

Date & Time -
Saturday 8th November
6pm to 9pm

Come along for the club trivia night, to help us raise funds for the club! Be sure to bring extra gold coins to participate in the silent auction and other activities, and to buy extra points per round.

If you would like to purchase tickets to the Trivia Night, please visit the Western Heights Uniting Tennis Club website <https://play.tennis.com/westernheightsuniteingtennisclub/Events>
Alternatively you can call Jaquie on 0499 384 091

Western Heights Uniting Tennis Club
27-31 Douglass St
Herne Hill

Summary of Church Council Meeting 17th September 2025

A Congregational meeting to be set for 12th October to 1/ discuss Uniting trolley mission 2/ update congregation on St Lukes conversations and 3/ call for anyone interested in joining the eco group

Discussions to continue with St Lukes- next meeting will be Tuesday 18th November.

Following the resignations of Bianca Brant and Velma Oliver, Maralann has offered to facilitate the Safe Church committee and also to lead the team.

Summary of Church Council Meeting 15th of October 2025 .

A meeting with the pastor of the (Korean) Baptist Church, Daniel Yang will be organised to discuss the logistics of sharing our facilities on a Sunday afternoon. .

Approval given to pursue the marking out of the riverside labyrinth, and that the church will cover the costs involved. .

The legal costs of setting up the lease with the Tennis Club will be covered by WHUC. .

Dates and times for Christmas services have been finalised and will be published in the monthly and the pew sheets. .

As we will not have a minister on 26th October we will encourage everyone to worship with Wesley who are holding an International Service. Emails will be sent out to inform all members.



Gifts For Families. Thanks to you.

Your support will help us make sure there are gifts under every Christmas tree in our local community.

Gift Suggestions

Outdoor games, frisbees, balls, cricket sets, board games, puzzles, building blocks, Lego, dolls, action figures, dinosaurs, cars, trucks, trains, headphones/speakers, make up packs, perfume/aftershave, gift cards

Food suggestions

Christmas treats, Christmas cake, biscuits, chocolates, plum puddings, sauces & toppings

Donate online: unitingvictas.org.au/local-christmas/barwon/

Donate a gift: Please leave at Reception or drop off at
Uniting Grovedale: 272 Torquay Road
Uniting Norlane: 10 Wendover Avenue



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



Uniting

Every child
deserves a
happy Christmas.



CONCERT OF TIDES OF WELCOME & FINELY WEATHERED FRIENDS



8TH NOVEMBER

2PM - 4PM

TICKETS \$ 25

incl. interval refreshments

CNR HESSE AND STOKES
STREET QUEENSCLIFF



Get your tickets
via scanning
the QR code or
head to:
[https://www.trybo
oking.com/DGLSB](https://www.trybooking.com/DGLSB)



UnitingQueenscliff
CONTINUATION · CREATIVITY · COMMISSION



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
7th November 2025
&
Saturday
8th November 2025
10am - 2pm

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

Uniting

JC and the Tree
& Jack Raymond.

'THERE AND BACK AGAIN' TOUR
Folk | Roots | Rock | Blues | Australiana

KIRK'S PLACE
Point Lonsdale, VIC

NOVEMBER 15TH
6PM
TICKETS \$25



WWW.JACKRAYMONDMUSIC.COM

WWW.JCANDTHETREE.COM

HEAPS
NORMAL

CB
GUITARS

MUSIC at NOOSA

Salty Aura

Treeborn
Guitars

Contact Details

Minister: Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga

0400 664 991 **Communications**

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

Administrator: Jan Grigg 5229 5889

Church Council Chair: Lynda Scott

Pastoral Care:

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i – Vaeluaga

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Property Co-ordinator: Graeme Hardy
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Parental/Guardian Permission

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

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

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

Pew Sheet

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

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

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

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

To be included in the Monthly Newsletter, please ensure your notices are at the church office by the **20th 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**

Uniting Church Safe Church Policies

Access to key Safe Church policies is available on: safechurch.ucavictas.org.au