



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 22 FEBRUARY 2026

Western Heights Uniting Church

Notice Sheet Sunday 22nd February 2026 – 10.00am Worship

Please Pray for:

ECO Group

Birthdays:

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

Thought for the week:

I've failed over and over again in my life and that is why I succeed.

Michel Jordan

Diary for This Week

Sunday 22nd	10.00am	Worship – Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga
Thursday 26th	8.00am	Musicians & Singers Music Practice

Diary for Next Week

Sunday 1st	10.00am	Worship – Belmont Uniting Church
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No worship at WHUC

Minister and Pastoral Care

Rev. Temukisa Amituana'i-Vaeluaga - 0400 664 991

People Helping Elsewhere

Rev. Robert Van Zetten – Anglesea

Church closure 1st march

Western Heights UC will be closed on Sunday 1st March to join Belmont Uniting Church in celebrating their 100 years at Thomson Street site.

A Service of Holy Communion and Thanksgiving will be held on Sunday 1st March at 10.00am. A luncheon will follow the service at 42 Thomson Street, Belmont. To assist with catering can you please put name on the sheet at the back or rsvp to belmont@victas.uca.org.au by 22nd February.

Pancakes

To mark the occasion of Shrove Tuesday (17th Feb.) at the beginning of Lent, pancakes will be available today Sunday (22nd February) at morning tea, for which a donation would be appreciated.

This occasion is being held under the auspices of Uniting, and all money raised will be designated for Uniting Geelong - Emergency Relief.

Congregational Annual General Meeting

The 2026 Western Heights Congregational Annual General Meeting will be held after the service on Sunday 22nd March 2026.

Could all reports be given to Jan in the office no later than Sunday 1st March.

Clean Up Australia Activity 28th February

With St. Lukes, Belmont, and Wesley, we are planning a Clean Up Australia Day activity on Saturday 28th February.

If you would like to come along and help beautify our city and help prevent plastics, etc from destroying our native flora and fauna, come along, and slip, slop, slap.

We'll be starting at St. Lukes at 9am and working through till 10.30, followed by a cuppa and refreshments. Ask Bruce Waldron for details and let him know please if you are coming, so we can make sure we have enough tongs and hi-vis jackets. Hope there are a stack of us there on the day.

Tasks people are doing today.

22nd February 2026

Vestry Steward: Michele Hardy

Reader: Neil Douglas

Stewards: Neil Douglas, Tim Hunt

Greeter: Vanessa Thomson

Morning Tea: Barbara Everett, Catherine Van Zetten

Hall Cleaner: Glenn Chidzey

Musicians: Melinda Bell, Bruce Waldron, Geoff Coots, Dudley Holroyd

Singers: Ashley Payne, Bill Fleming

PA/Data: Sharn Waldron / Allister Coots

Tasks people are doing.

8th March 2026

Vestry Steward: Roger Dingle

Reader: Annette Chidzey

Stewards: Glenn Chidzey, Neil Douglas

Greeter: Joan Murphy

Morning Tea: Michele Hardy, Jean Payne

Hall Cleaner: Bruce Waldron

Musicians: Narelle Collas, Dudley Holroyd, Bruce Waldron, Geoff Coots, Aiden Chand

Singers: Lynda Scott, Bev Hunt, Catherine Van Zetten

PA/Data: Tim Hunt / Allister Coots

GENESIS 2:15-17, 3: 1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die, for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and

they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

MATTHEW 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.