



Glen Waverley

Uniting Church

SUNDAY PREACHING PLAN - October 2017

Time	October 1 Pentecost 17	October 8 Pentecost 18	October 15 Pentecost 19	October 22 Pentecost 20	October 29 Pentecost 21
8.00 am	Ross Mackinnon Communion	Ross Mackinnon Communion	Janinne Jackson Frontier Services Ross Mackinnon Communion	10am Combined Worship post fete Ministry Team	Ross Mackinnon Communion
9.15 am	Rev Neil Peters Communion	Rev Neil Peters	Rev Neil Peters Janinne Jackson Frontier Services		Di Paterson
11.00 am	Rev Neil Peters	Rev Neil Peters	Rev Neil Peters Communion Janinne Jackson Frontier Services		Di Paterson
2.30 pm	-	-	Seniors Service		-
4.30 pm	School Holidays	School Holidays	Children & Families		Children & Families
7.00 pm	Alanee Hearnshaw	Alanee Hearnshaw	Alanee Hearnshaw		Alanee Hearnshaw
Lectionary	Exodus 17:107 Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 Philemon 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32	Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19 Philemon 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46	Exodus 32:1-14 Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 Philemon 4:1-9 Matthew 22:1-14		Exodus 33:12-23 Psalm 99 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22
Liturgical Colour	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green

Welcome

GWUC is a faithful, Christ-centred community that meets God and shares that unconditional love

SEPTEMBER

3 September	12 noon
6 September	7.30 pm
8 September	2.30 pm
10 September	2.30 pm
24 September	12 pm

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Club 2017
Safe Church training
Safe Church training
Safe Church training
Outreach BBQ forum

OCTOBER

1 October	12 noon
15 October	2.30 pm
21 October	All day
22 October	10 am
26 October	10 am

Club 2017
Seniors Service
Church Fete
Combined worship service
Seniors Morning Tea at The Hub





Glen Waverley Uniting Church
SENIORS' MORNING TEA
老年人早茶

Thursday 26th October 2017
10 am to 12 noon



Come & share morning tea in honour of
our seniors who help in our community
ALL AGES WELCOME

欢迎所有年龄

**All donations to research into
Motor Neurone Disease**

Glen Waverley Uniting Church

Cnr Bogong Avenue & Kingsway, Glen Waverley

If you would like to attend please add your name to the list
on the office counter.

POP UP Study

EXPLORING CHRISTIAN RESPONSES TO SAME SEX MARRIAGE

17
SEP 2017



SUN
DAY 2
PM

SPEAKER REV DR SUNNY CHEN
LECTURER IN NEW TESTAMENT
GREEK AT PILGRIM
THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

WITH A POSTAL VOTE COMING THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY
TO HEAR DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW, TO THINK, TO BE
STRETCHED IN A SAFE AND RESPECTFUL ENVIRONMENT.
THIS IS NOT DESIGNED TO CONVINCEN YOU BUT EXPLORE
THE ISSUE. A CUPPA TO FOLLOW.

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Changes to our Carpark and Disabled Parking Spaces

To enable better and safer access to our buildings **for all users**, and to provide more mixed parking capabilities in our vary limited parking area, we are making the following changes to the car park. Please observe any signage changes and take note of the following specific details:-

- The current **Office Manager** space at the top will be narrowed and converted into a Motorbike and Push Bike (with rack) **ONLY** space. It will not be big enough for any size vehicle, so please do not try to park there, as you will damage your car. Signage will be updated accordingly.
- The current **Ministry Team** space will be relocated to the top of the south side area next to the tank fence, and the existing space will be moved towards the new Bike space and become the **Office Manager** only space.
- The two **Disabled** spaces will be slightly moved and both **widened**.
- The ramp will be moved and the access area between the **Disabled** spaces will be widened to dissuade people blocking the ramp and to ensure the safe passage of persons with special needs, walkers and scooters on to the ramp.

People wishing to use the **Disabled** spaces **MUST** display a current, valid, authorised sticker **in their name** at all times, OR they must be transporting a valid voucher owner **at the time they park in that space**. Cars found parked in those disabled spaces without the conditions of the disabled voucher being met will be advised to the Monash City Council who issue the vouchers and control the conditions of use.

We have tried the commonsense, fair and reasonable approach, but unfortunately not everyone has shown those same attributes. We will be circulating these changes in English and Chinese to all church groups and hirers.

If you have any questions, please speak to the Chairperson of the Property Committee - Warren Greenwood

Church Council Report

Church Council met this week, with the newly elected members. The meeting decided it would not be appropriate to appoint the new members to leadership positions until they had some time to become familiar with church council processes and responsibilities, and for members of council to become more familiar with each other, and hence better able to discern who among them would make the best chair. Only a few members are continuing, and none of them were willing to be chair. Because of this situation, the meeting decided to co-opt Helen Stewart, the previous chair of council who did not stand for re-election, and ask her to act as transitional chair for the rest of this year. Council has in recent years elected new office bearers at the beginning of each calendar year. David Morgan was elected secretary, with assistance from Gael O'Brien and David Fraser, especially when David Morgan's travelling.

Much of the meeting was taken up with familiarising new members with the responsibilities and processes of council. This will be an ongoing process, in which the new members will be supported by the continuing members and the retiring office bearers.

Applications are currently being received for the Community Planter position approved by the Congregation last December. This is seen as an essential step in our strategy of engaging with, and better reflecting, the ethnic mix of our community.

We were pleased to agree to the baptism of John Snare's grand-daughter Eleanor from Perth.

Rev Neil Peters reported on the conference that he and Alanee attended in Adelaide last week, with highlights including a session on healthy team cultures, with applications to ministry team, Church Council, and the congregation.

Full minutes will be available at:-

<http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/CouncilMinutes20170830>

David Morgan

Inclusive Community Report

Prayer Support Group: If you have a prayer request and you don't want it placed in the prayer book, we do have a prayer support group. All requests for prayer are kept confidential and are only passed on to group members. We don't need to know why you are requesting prayer, just a name is fine. If you need more information contact Heather or Wendy in the office, during office hours, or Beverly on 0417 359 779.

Club 2017 will meet as normal today.

Light Lunch: There will be a light lunch next Sunday 10 September after the 11am service. Please join us for this special time of fellowship.

Transport: Many members of our congregation are experiencing health problems and are unable to drive, either for a short time or permanently. Most of these people want to attend the 11am service. We would love to hear from you if you think you could help with transport or have suggestions (contact the office).

Munch with a Bunch was held on Sunday 20 August. About 48 people attended and enjoyed the lunch and a time of fellowship together.

Intergenerational Night Cancelled: Unfortunately this special event (15 September) had to be cancelled. We will let you know when we decide on another date - probably early next year.

Fathers' Day Morning Tea: This special morning tea will be held this morning (between services). Please join us.

Our next Inclusive Community Meeting will be held on Thursday 28 September at 1pm in Room 1. If you have suggestions for activities, please let us know.

Jan Clear

Safe Church Training

We need to be able to assure the parents of children in our midst that we have done everything practicable to ensure the safety of their children, for theological, ethical, legal and practical reasons. The recent Royal Commission has demonstrated that our past efforts and processes have not been adequate.

State government and the UCA have responded with new requirements, and it is important that the congregation become familiar with these. In particular, all members who might be seen by a child as persons of authority need to have a Working with Children Check, and training on child protection every two years.

Protection of other vulnerable groups is also important. For this reason we will be presenting a Safe Church training session prepared by the Synod on the following dates:

Wednesday September 6 at 7.30pm

Friday September 8 at 2.30pm

Sunday September 10 at 2.30pm

There is a sign up sheet on the office bench to help us ensure that we have an appropriate room, but late sign ups are acceptable.

See <http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/WorkingWithChildrenCheck> for details on who is included at GWUC, and how to get a Working With Children's Check..

"Days For Girls" Assistance

A church member is sewing for "Days for Girls", a group which provides sanitary hygiene products for girls who would otherwise miss school as they don't have access to these. The pack includes small travel soaps. If anyone has any small travel soaps they can donate to the office it would be greatly appreciated.



FETE

21 OCTOBER, 8:30-2:00

A whole-church activity where everyone can be part of the fun.

How can you help?

7 Weeks to go,
7 Ways to help NOW!:

1. Letterbox leaflets advertising the fete - Sign up TODAY

To help make the fete a great success, we need about 50 people to letterbox-drop 13,000 leaflets to houses in areas around the church.

The sign-up sheet is on the office counter. Those who delivered leaflets for the fete in 2015 are listed on the sheet - please tick your name if you can help again this year or cross out your name if you are unable to assist. New volunteers are always welcome - please add your name to the list.

The leaflets will need to be delivered during the second week of October.

Enquiries: Peter Anderson 0411 123 253

2. Donate items for the Silent Auction

New items, vouchers and gift certificates are sought for our popular Silent Auction. Yan Emms would be delighted to hear from you if you have items to donate.

Enquiries: Yan Emms 0419 365 913

3. Plan to help set up and clear away

On Thursday afternoon, 19 October, our church will be transformed as the stalls are set up. **More help is desperately needed** in setting up trestles and booths, or assisting those with trailers who are collecting equipment.

On the Friday, it is all hands on deck to sort and arrange items for sale. This is a mammoth task, and all volunteers will be welcomed even if only for an hour, particularly for the Trash and Treasure, Books and Used Clothing.

Are you able to take Thursday and/or Friday off work?

Sign-up sheets will be available shortly. Peter Anderson would love to add you to the team.

4. Plan to assist on a stall on the day

Sign-up sheets will be available shortly, but please consider making yourself available for one or more hours.

5. Spring clean, putting aside items to be sold

Clear out the clutter! Please put aside:

- clothing in good condition.
- books
- treasure (household items, electrical goods, toys and small pieces of furniture).

We are always grateful to receive your donations for the fete, but ask that they are in a sale-able condition as disposing of items not sold is very expensive.

(Please deliver to the church on Friday 20 October. Collection can be arranged).

6. Knit, stitch, or pot some plants

7. Lend us a marquee or pie warmer

Do you have a car-tent or similar which we could borrow to provide protection for the used clothing's outdoor merchandise? Sue would love to talk to you! We also need a pie warmer for the pizza stall.



Need More Information?

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Sue Morgan 9560 8024
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