



## WHAT'S ON

### Monday

10am Virtual GOMER on Zoom  
4.10pm Mice, Kats & Dogs on Zoom

### Tuesday

10am 'Cuppa Call' with Neil  
phone: 0417 580 532

### Wednesday

7am Prayer - Live Broadcast  
[www.gwuc.org.au/live](http://www.gwuc.org.au/live)

10am 'Cuppa Call' with Di  
phone: 0400 961 052

5.30pm Uthies on Zoom (alternate weeks)

### Thursday

10am 'Zoom Cuppa Call' with Neil  
email [revneilpeters@gmail.com](mailto:revneilpeters@gmail.com) for more details

7.30pm Evening Reflection - Live Broadcast  
[www.gwuc.org.au/live](http://www.gwuc.org.au/live)

### Friday

12pm 'Cuppa Call' with Alanee  
phone: 0402 030 342  
5.30pm Uthies on Zoom (alternate weeks)  
7.30pm Youth on Zoom

### Sunday

10am Worship - Live Broadcast  
[www.gwuc.org.au/live](http://www.gwuc.org.au/live)

**Mystery Cuppa Calls** - Register by email to [office@gwuc.org.au](mailto:office@gwuc.org.au) to make or receive a call (or both!)

**Guess Who?** - All are welcome to join in this fun game. Contact [office@gwuc.org.au](mailto:office@gwuc.org.au) or see our Happy Saturday email of 18 July 2020 for more details.



## Ministerial Musings

*Rev Neil Peters*

### CONNECTING WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER

We have not been able to gather in our church complex for worship or other activities since late March. A year ago, we would not have imagined this closing happening to the Church or to our society. The last 6 months have been so different and very challenging for many of us. We are living in the midst of great uncertainty and we are trying to imagine what a new normal might look like.

Since March we have worked to maintain a service of worship that is live stream and recorded for later viewing. The ministry team, with the support of a technical crew and singers/musicians who can record off site, have tried to offer a service of worship that is meaningful, nurturing of faith, that connects with people and our current context, and reaches across ages and a range of worship experiences. Please understand that you may not have appreciated everything we have offered in worship. We have such a diverse group of people joining us which in itself requires a diverse worship.

We would not have imagined back in March that we would have people joining us from around Melbourne, rural Victoria, interstate and overseas. It is humbling and a privilege to serve in this way.

We have tried to maintain a sense of connection for the congregation. The office sends a daily email. We have a weekly recorded prayer time and a reflection. We have encouraged cuppa calls and people are making phone calls and texts etc to people. Our children's ministry leaders are

offering a regular zoom program for faith development and support of kids. Youth group is meeting weekly on zoom. Church meetings are on zoom. Some have shopped for others. As a congregation we are trying to support one another.

We have offered support to the local community and local businesses through our "Sending love" hearts which are still on the lawn and in shop windows in Kingsway. Shop owners still comment on it.

At the same time, we look forward to coming back at some unknown time in the future. What we come back to, will be a little different. There will be some protocols to follow. We had a funeral in the church recently which showed we can manage the physical side of things. But for us as people I think we might come back both enthusiastic and tentative.

When we return, we will need to work hard and be patient as we make worship meaningful, engaging, nurturing and challenging. There may be some things that are not as important to us as they were before. We may wish to embrace some new things in worship. I wonder what God sees as important in worship? What does the breadth of our congregation see as important?

We will also need to reconnect with one another and rebuild a sense of community, of oneness as sisters and brothers in Christ.

These are both challenging and exciting times and we need to constantly remember that God is with us.

*Neil.*

**Welcome.**

**GWUC is a faithful, Christ-centered community that meets God and shares in that unconditional love.**

Together is our favourite place to be.

## WHAT IS *Kingsway*?

"Kingsway" is a new Glen Waverley Uniting Church magazine following on from the NewView magazine tradition. It will be produced every two months and will replace both NewView and the Monthly Bulletin.

"Kingsway" is designed to provide a voice for the church community to share activities, thoughts, celebrations, stories

and the faith journey. It will present to the church community the quiet achievers and achievements in the life of our church.

"Kingsway" will have a multi-generational, multi-cultural and missional focus and is designed to build community, lift the spirit and strengthen our faith. Enjoy!

### **Thank you, Robin Pope.**

This new *Kingsway* magazine builds on the legacy of NewView that for almost a decade has been edited by Robin Pope. However, the time has come for a change. In my capacity as the chair of the Communications Committee, I would like to offer a public, heart-felt **Thank You** to Robin for her work on NewView.

NewView has always provided an opportunity for story-telling as well as providing visitors and new-comers insights into our congregation. Since 2011, when Robin took over the reigns of NewView, she has put her own stamp on to the publication with themed editions including:

- sometimes edgy editorials;



- reflections from the ministerial team;
- profiles of congregation members;
- poetry;
- book reviews and other contributions from members of the congregation; and
- acknowledgment of milestones in the life of our members.

A good read not only requires well edited content, it also needs to look good and entice the reader to linger, read, ponder. Robin devoted many hours to prising content out of members of the congregation and then wrangling it into the classy colour publication that NewView became - in spite of the various attempts of her Mac to sabotage it. While we may not fully appreciate the effort Robin put in to each edition of NewView, we surely were able to appreciate the end result.

Thank you so much Robin.

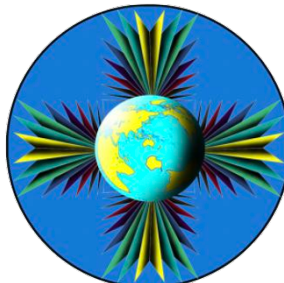
*John Snare*

## *Worship Online @ 10am each Sunday*

### **Some of the places our online services have reached are:**

Allansford, Ashwood, Bairnsdale, Ballarat, Batemans Bay (NSW), Beac, Beechworth, Bendigo, Berwick, Black Rock, Boort, Boronia, Brighton, Bunyip, Burwood, Burwood East, Carlton, Carrum, Chelsea, Clayton, Clyde, Colac, Creswick, Croydon, Dookie, Echuca, Endeavour Hills, Forest Hill, Garfield, Gourrock (Scotland), Hampton Park, Hawthorn, Johnsonville, Kerang, Korumburra, Kyneton, Leongatha,

Longwarry, Lysterfield, Maffra, Moama, Mooroolbark, Mornington, Mount Waverley, Mulgrave, Nhill, Oakleigh, Ontario (Canada), Poowong, Ringwood, Rockhampton (QLD), Rosebud, Rowville, San Francisco (USA), Sandhurst, Shepparton, Springvale, Syndal, Timboon, Trafalgar, Vermont, Wangaratta, Wantirna South, Warrnambool, Wheelers Hill, Yarragon and of course, Glen Waverley!



### **Faith Development Missional Group - BLOGSPOT!**

Chris Goan is a Christian poet, thinker and musician who lives in Scotland, and his website is definitely worth visiting. On his Home page, he says:

*"Hi all. Thanks for visiting my blog. A few things about me..."*

*I am a husband to Michaela and a father to Emily and William. Through them, my life is blessed. I am half English, half Irish, and living in Scotland. I am a seeker in the Christian tradition, but have more questions than insights - the more so as I get older. I live and learn with a group of friends in Dunoon, Scotland, where we gather in a community that meets to worship and pray, and to celebrate through a Christian arts group called Aoradh (meaning 'adoration' in Gaelic.)*

*I love to write - poetry, prose. It is how I think. I have published some books and a few articles and poems. I love music, and to play and sing. I love wilderness- mountains, lochs, small islands.*

*Most of my career has been spent working with, for and alongside people experiencing serious mental health problems. I have been a social worker, a therapist and have managed integrated mental health services."*

Chris' sister Katharine died recently, but Chris could not attend her funeral because of COVID-19 restrictions. However, he was able to send the following poem to be read at the funeral. Although it was written some time ago and in another context, the poem took on a new life for the funeral.

#### The wound of love...

Practise the wound of love  
Let it devastate  
Let it scrape your soul  
For blessed are the gentled  
Blessed are the meek  
Blessed are those whose fullness now lies  
Empty

Practise the wound of love  
Rest now in that broken place  
Where grief is never silent  
And ragged roots of love  
Tap the trampled earth  
Blessed are you as you reach for love  
Because it reaches out for you

Practise the wound of love  
Let it devastate  
For nothing ever came from nothing  
(Apart from love)  
At the end of everything  
We are just cups  
Who are cupped.

We are held.

Chris' website is called **This fragile tent** and can be found at this address: <https://thisfragiletent.com/>

*Ross Mackinnon*

## What have you been doing in lockdown?



These are some of the activities our members have been doing: archery, art, baking, card games, colouring, cooking, darts, family dinners, family history, gardening, golf, hardanger, house repairs, jigsaw puzzles, Lego, linocuts, mask making, movies, music, poetry, quilting, reading, running, sewing, silk scarf dyeing, sorting & cleaning, sudoku, tv, walking, and more.

## Getting to know...

### Matthew Boldiston

Born in May of 2002, Matthew Boldiston has been around Glen Waverley Uniting Church his whole life. Matthew initially attended as a frequent visitor whilst living in his first home in Berwick, and is now a familiar face at GWUC, involved in a variety of activities supporting the worship services. Over the past few months, you may have seen him featuring on the keyboard in the Sunday live stream service.

Music is Matthew's chief passion in life, and his gifts in both vocal and piano performance are often on display in church and the broader community. He has been a member of the acclaimed Southern Voices choir for over 9 years, often touring around the state with them to present concerts.

Closer to home, Matthew is presently studying Year 12 at Brentwood Secondary College. He has already completed VCE Music in 2019 and achieving the top mark at the school in that subject.

Matthew has been an enthusiastic cyclist ever since he owned his first bike. Often over the summer holidays of the past decade he would enjoy long rides around the bike paths of Philip Island whilst on holidays. His longest and most challenging cycling event was the Great Vic Bike Ride of 2016, which ran for several hundred kilometres across 9 days - no mean feat for a 14-year-old as he

was at the time!

The world of IT is also dear to Matthew's heart. He is a self-confessed 'computer geek' who enjoys anything and everything about computers, both old and new. His collection of computers and technology continues to grow - and would do so more swiftly if not for space constraints! Matthew also enjoys the teaching side of computers as well, having been only too happy for many years to help both family and friends with their technology troubles.

In what might surprise many, Matthew is also a very keen rock-climber! He has been a member of an indoor rock-climbing squad based in Nunawading for several years and finds it a great physical and social outlet.

Looking ahead to life after secondary school, Matthew is keen to continue his musical education by undertaking tertiary studies in the field of music. Whether he then pursues a career as an accompanist, music teacher or orchestra conductor, you can be sure that music will be with him on his journey into the future!



Live  
the present,  
Dream  
the future.



Click here:

Some websites we thought you might find interesting...

[Beach Clean-up during lockdown](#)

[Lego helped me get out of bed](#)

[COVID 19 – Answers to your frequently asked questions](#)

[Arts & Culture](#)

...and for our younger members or those young at heart...

[Tour of the International Space Station](#)

[LegoLand](#)

[Wild Earth](#)

[San Diego Zoo - Kids](#)

[Kelp Forest Cam](#)

**NEXT ISSUE OF** *Kingsway*

Please forward articles and notices for inclusion in our next issue to [office@gwuc.org.au](mailto:office@gwuc.org.au).

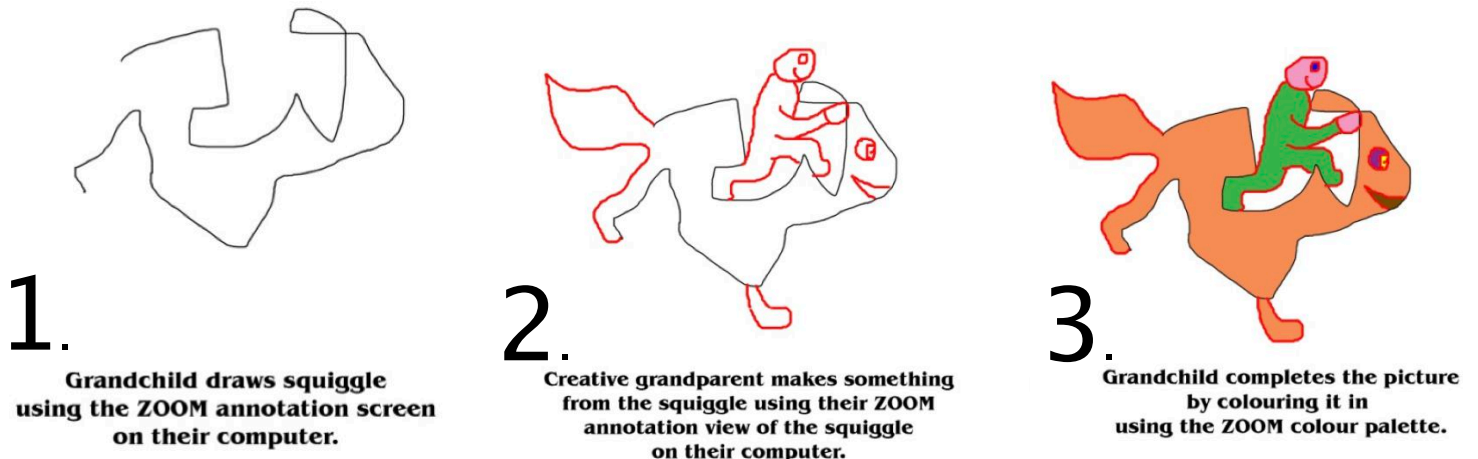
Closing date for submissions is **Wednesday 9 September 2020**

Did you know that you can interact with your grandchild using the ZOOM annotation tools?

(Click on: [Using-annotation-tools-on-a-shared-screen](#))

It is a lot of fun for grandparent and grandchild alike.

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...



**1.**  
Grandchild draws squiggle using the ZOOM annotation screen on their computer.

**2.**  
Creative grandparent makes something from the squiggle using their ZOOM annotation view of the squiggle on their computer.

**3.**  
Grandchild completes the picture by colouring it in using the ZOOM colour palette.

### REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY - YEAR A

August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23	August 30
<i>Pentecost 9 (Green)</i>	<i>Pentecost 10 (Green)</i>	<i>Pentecost 11 (Green)</i>	<i>Pentecost 12 (Green)</i>	<i>Pentecost 13 (Green)</i>
Genesis 32:22-31	Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28	Genesis 45:1-15	Exodus 1:8 – 2:10	Exodus 3:1-15
Psalms 17:1-7, 15	Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b	Psalms 133	Psalms 124	Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b
Romans 9:1-5	Romans 10:5-15	Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32	Romans 12:1-8	Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 14:13-21	Matthew 14:22-33	Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28	Matthew 16:13-20	Matthew 16:21-28

September 6	September 13	September 20	September 27
<i>Pentecost 14 (Green)</i>	<i>Pentecost 15 (Green)</i>	<i>Pentecost 16 (Green)</i>	<i>Pentecost 17 (Green)</i>
Exodus 12:1-14	Exodus 14:19-31	Exodus 16:2-15	Exodus 17:1-17
Psalms 149	Psalms 114 or Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21	Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45	Psalms 78:1-4, 12-16
Romans 13:8-14	Romans 14:1-12	Philemon 1:21-30	Philemon 2:1-13
Matthew 18:15-21	Matthew 18:21-35	Matthew 20:1-16	Matthew 21:23-32

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