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# GLEN WAVERLEY Uniting Church

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GWUC is a faithful, Christ-centered community that meets God and shares in that unconditional love. We welcome all those who are worshipping with us here in the church or via our Broadcast Ministry - we are glad you are here!

## Sunday 14 March - Lent 4

10am Worship (Live Stream)

Rev. Neil Peters / Alanee Hearnshaw

Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21

DURING THIS SERVICE WE WILL BE RECOGNISING OUR JOURNEY OVER THE LAST YEAR, REMEMBERING AND REFLECTING ON THE CHALLENGES, EXPERIENCES AND CELEBRATIONS WE SHARED BOTH INDIVIDUALLY AND AS A CONGREGATION.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

# Sunday 21 March - Lent 5

10am Worship (Live Stream)

Rev. Neil Peters / Alanee Hearnshaw

Holy Communion will be shared during this service.

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12 or 119:9-16; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

THIS SERVICE WILL BE LONGER, FINISHING WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO SING SOME FAVOURITE HYMNS - A CHANCE TO ENJOY SOMETHING YOU MIGHT BE MISSING.

ALL ARE INVITED TO STAY FOR THIS, BUT YOU MAY LEAVE IF YOU WISH.

# Sunday 28 March - Palm Sunday

10am Worship (Live Stream)

Rev. Neil Peters / Alanee Hearnshaw

Isaiah 50:4-9: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Phil 2:5-11; Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16

**COME ALONG AND JOIN IN THE PROCESSION -**

BRING ALONG SOME PALM BRANCHES (REAL OR HOME-MADE) OR MAYBE EVEN AN OLD COAT!

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#### All are welcome!

The church complex is once again open. Congregation members are warmly invited to return to onsite worship on Sundays. After consulting with the leaders of the different worship services, Church Council has agreed that we continue with a single worship service until Easter. Worship services will continue to be live streamed.

## **Celebrations - Sunday 14 March**

During the 10am service this week, we will be acknowledging and celebrating Rev. Dr Warren Bartlett, for his 65 years of ordained ministry and we will thank Dorothy Lockhart, who has recently moved, for her significant contribution to this congregation. Last years Grade 3-ers missed out on receiving their Bibles - so we will be presenting them today also!

#### **Meeting of the Congregation**

There will be a Meeting of the Congregation today (Sunday 14 March) following the 10am worship service. *Please note: Morning Tea and Zoom Morning Tea will not be held today.* If you are unable to attend in person, the meeting can be viewed/attended in other ways.

- Online <u>www.gwuc.org.au/Private/</u>
   This will allow you to watch the meeting online. You will not be able to question, make comment or indicate if you are Warm or Cool to a proposal, idea or comment; or
- Zoom <a href="https://monash.zoom.us/j/2843692568?pwd=QWNQTXNqcnJrYi9hb3ZSd2VqMjNOUT09">https://monash.zoom.us/j/2843692568?pwd=QWNQTXNqcnJrYi9hb3ZSd2VqMjNOUT09</a>
   Or, open Zoom Select Join and enter meeting ID: 284 369 2568 and passcode: 3150
   This option will allow you to take part in the meeting from home. We ask that you keep your microphone on mute during the meeting and indicate to the facilitator if you would like to make a comment, etc.

The meeting agenda and papers are available here.

#### **Election of Church Councillors**

An election for Church Councillors and Elders will be held on Sunday 28 March. Members of the congregation will have an opportunity to vote following each worship activity on that day. Nominations have been received from Alison Clarkson, Glyn Howells, Susan Karoly, Wendy Pepper and Vida Foo. Please read the profiles in the foyer and prayerfully consider your voting. Further information is available from the church office.

#### **Congregation Questionnaire**

A reminder that responses to the *Diverse Worship Services after COVID Questionnaire* are due this Sunday 14 March. The questionnaire is available online at <u>Congregation Questionnaire</u> <u>March 2021</u>, or paper copies are available from the church office counter. A children's version of the questionnaire can be found <u>here</u>. Thank you to all those who have already submitted a reply.

#### Check-In Thursday with Neil - Thursday 18 March @ 10am

Neil is inviting members of the church to 'Check-In' on Thursday mornings for a casual 40 min small group chat on Zoom. To participate please email Neil on <a href="mailto:revneilpeters@gmail.com">revneilpeters@gmail.com</a> and he will send you the invitation link. Check-In with Neil and he can check-in with you!

#### World's Greatest Shave

Rebecca is a member of our church and a year 9 student at a local school. She is raising money and awareness for people with leukaemia disease by shaving off her hair on Friday 12 March. If you would like to encourage Rebecca by sponsoring her, please use this <u>link</u>. Well done Rebecca!

# An opportunity to support our welfare group without qualifications, meetings or cost.

Our welfare group supports needy people in the community, with advice, vouchers and food. We have recently appointed Elinor McCluskey De Garza as a paid part time coordinator. We are now seeking a volunteer, or multiple volunteers on a roster, to check the food cupboards every 3 weeks, and go shopping for what is needed. A list of essential items will be placed inside the cupboard door, stating how many of such items should be kept at any given time. This would guide the person checking as to whether it was necessary to go shopping and what to buy. This could be done at any time to suit the volunteers.

If you would like to be part of this, please contact David Morgan (<a href="mailto:david@gwuc.org.au">david@gwuc.org.au</a>) or Elinor (<a href="mailto:welfare@gwuc.org.au">welfare@gwuc.org.au</a>).

#### **Leisure Time Vacancies**

Leisure Time is an outreach program by our congregation whose mission is to provide on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Monday an opportunity for elderly and housebound people from within the City of Monash to gather as a community. We currently have some places available for guests. If this interests you or someone you know, please contact the church office for more details

#### **Masks & Covid Safe Guidelines**

Masks must be carried at all times and must be worn at all times when social distancing cannot be maintained. It is currently not mandatory to wear face masks while inside the church buildings. As per the recent government and Synod guidelines the windows and doors of the church will be open to allow for adequate natural ventilation. The fans and air conditioners will NOT be operating. Please adjust your clothing and seat choices to allow for this. A reminder also that the foyer/fellowship areas should not be used for large gatherings and should be kept as clear as possible. If you wish to catch up with others please move outside to do so



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