



Glen Waverley Uniting Church

27 February 2022



Welcome

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 27 February - Transfiguration of Jesus

10am Worship (+live broadcast) Rev. Neil Peters / Alanee Hearnshaw
1pm Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom Rev. Neil Peters
Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)

Wednesday 2 March - Ash Wednesday

7.30pm Worship (+live broadcast) Rev. Neil Peters / Ps Di Paterson
Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12; Psalm 51:1-17;
2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Sunday 6 March - Lent 1

10am Worship (+live broadcast) Rev. N Peters / A Hearnshaw
followed by Meeting of the Congregation at 11.30am
1pm Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom
Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

Indonesian Fellowship on Zoom

*Please use Zoom meeting code: **980 1882 3667** (passcode: **773026**)
or [click here](#) to log in.*

Updated COVIDSafe settings...

The Victorian Government has recently announced further relaxing of COVID restrictions:

- QR Code check-ins are no longer required to attend worship, although they are still required for morning tea. Please use the QR code on the round tables in the Fellowship Area to check in.
- The requirement to check vaccination status has been removed.
- **Face masks** are not required to be worn, however please continue to wear a mask if you would prefer.

We will continue to take all reasonable steps to protect our members and visitors. We urge people with symptoms, and those without the protection of vaccines, to stay home. We continue to provide sanitiser at the door. Our large opening windows in the church, and the doors on opposite sides of the foyer, ensure adequate ventilation (which guards against aerosol spread). For the same reason, we open doors and windows and run exhaust fans in the hall, the kitchen and other rooms when they are in use.

We will continue to live stream our services, and make them available for later viewing. We have a Zoom licence that groups can use to meet on line.

Please contact the church office if you have concerns or comments. You are not alone.

Please remember, if you have COVID-19 symptoms or if you have been advised to get tested by a contact, workplace or school, get a COVID-19 test and isolate until you get a negative result.

2022 Church Council Elections

Nominations are now being received for Church Councillors. The closing date for all nominations is Sunday 27 February. A ballot for election of Church Councillors will be held at all services on Sunday 20 March. Please prayerfully consider nominating someone you think would serve the congregation well or offering yourself for nomination. Blank nomination forms are available from the stewards table or via <http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/HeadLines>, and completed nominations can be left in the box on the office counter.

Please contact the church office for more details.

Last week to complete the National Church Life Survey.

The National Church Life Survey wraps up this week.

This is your last chance to contribute anonymously to the picture of the congregation that will be central to calling our new minister. The more who participate, the more representative will be the picture of our congregation in the analysis.



The survey can be completed online at attendersurvey.ncls.org.au for 15+ or childsurvey.ncls.org.au for 8-14yrs, or paper copies will be available at the 10am service on February 27. Surveys can be filled in and left on the day (it takes 15-20 mins to complete) or returned to the church office by Monday 28 February.

- Our Church Code is **UA291301** Glen Waverley Uniting Church.

More details are available at <http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/HeadLines#NCLS> or contact David Morgan councilsec@gwuc.org.au.

Joint Nominating Committee (JNC) Elections

Joint Nominating Committee (JNC) nominations are now being received. The closing date for all nominations is Sunday 27 February. A ballot for election of JNC members will be held at all services on Sunday 20 March.

A Joint Nominating Committee plays an important role in the selection and placement of a minister in a Congregation. Members assist in developing a placement profile based on the congregation's mission and ministry needs, seek to identify ministers that could meet this need, and report to the Congregation with a recommendation that a Call be issued.

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Worship

Church Council decided to continue 10am services until Easter. There continues to be covid infections in the community and uncertainty. These are not easy decisions to make. We know some can't make it to worship by 10am. We will also hold two Seniors Services on 13 March and 10 April at 2.30pm. The service in April will be communion and have an Easter focus. These two afternoon services will be live streamed. We are trying to meet the needs of our congregation in these challenging times.

UCAF - Tuesday 1 March

UCAF will meet at 10am in the fellowship area for morning tea and then at 10.30am in Chapel/Room 1 for our meeting and to listen to our guest speaker Susan Karoly. All are welcome. Enquiries - Margaret Duncan 9803 1507. Donations of non-perishable gifts of food will be donated to GWUC Welfare. *Please remember Subs. are now due.*

Clean Up Australia Day - Sunday 6 March



Our congregation, as an expression of our faith, seeks to care for the environment. So the ministry team wants to encourage you to participate in Clean Up Australia Day through this simple challenge. When you go for a walk leading up to Sunday 6th take a bag and pick up some rubbish in your area. Take a photo of your collected rubbish bag and send it to us before placing the bag in your bin. Another option is walk to church on the 6th

and pick up some rubbish on the way, take a photo before putting the rubbish in the church bins. Let's get involved and make a difference in our world. Remember to do this safely.

Photos can be sent to: minteamandoffice@gwuc.org.au.

Meeting of the Congregation

The next meeting of the congregation will be held following the 10am service on Sunday 6 March at 11:30am. Please remain in the church at the conclusion of worship. Morning tea will not be served, water will be available. An agenda can be found at <http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/CongMeetingAgenda20220306>. All are welcome to attend.

To watch the meeting on live stream, go to www.gwuc.org.au/live.

Lent Bible Study

The ministry team is using a creative worship resource for the season of Lent and Easter. The package includes study material which includes Bible readings, poetry and art. Neil would like to offer this study both in person and online on Thursday afternoons commencing 10 March at 2pm. The group will decide whether we meet weekly or fortnightly. Please express your interest to Joanne in the office.

Craft Group

Monday 28 February, 10am -2pm. Chapel/Room 1. BYO mug and lunch.
"How to make a hexagon quilt". All are welcome to join us.

Book Sale

1000s of Secondhand Books

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Glen Waverley Uniting Church

cnr Kingsway & Bogong Ave, Glen Waverley

Save
the
New
Date!

Saturday

30 April

8:30am-4:00pm

Donations of books welcome
from April 24

Covid restrictions may result in
cancellation. Please check at

www.gwuc.org.au



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Uniting Church



Careful Kitchen Crew News...

The **Careful Kitchen Crew** (CKC) is a small group of GWUC volunteers that oversees our congregation's compliance with the Food Safety standards required by Monash City Council and the community at large. Our church is registered as a Food Premises and there are strict rules to follow if we wish to continue serving food. We thank everyone who takes this seriously. The hospitality shown by our congregation is important to the caring and welcoming outreach we provide.

We have two requests to congregation members -

1. Basic food safety training for kitchen users.

At the recent inspection by a Monash officer, we were able to demonstrate that food safety standards are being met and that most of the required records are being collected.

Thank you!

However, as a follow up, the officer has requested that more of our **kitchen users undertake some basic training and that training records are filed**. This includes **everyone** who prepares or serves food at the church, including lunches, suppers, morning teas, fete food stalls, funerals, etc.

Fortunately, this training may be undertaken free of charge and with easy-to-follow online training, at a convenient time, followed by a short multiple choice assessment. It's not hard to do! Go to <https://dofoodsafety.health.vic.gov.au/index.php/en/>.

We are asking all kitchen users to please **complete this easy training and assessment**. A copy of your certificate may be left for "CKC" in the letter rack or emailed to marjanfraser@gmail.com

2. Reminders regarding use of the church kitchen

As we begin using our church kitchen again, please remember to -

- Clean benches before and after use, and clean up any spills immediately
- Use the dishwasher for all washing up, and turn it off at the wall after use
- Take used tea towels home to launder and return to the marked drawer
- Take left-overs home. If you need to leave food in the fridge or freezer, ensure it is labeled.
- The floor is to be swept and mopped after all events
- Empty the kitchen bin after all events. Place recycling articles in the Yellow bins outside.
- Do not leave high-risk foods in the temperature danger zone (5^o-60^o). *If in doubt, throw it out.*
- Always wash your hands before handling food or cooking utensils (for 20 seconds).

We sincerely thank all who help in the church kitchen and everyone who helps maintain our food safety standards at all times.

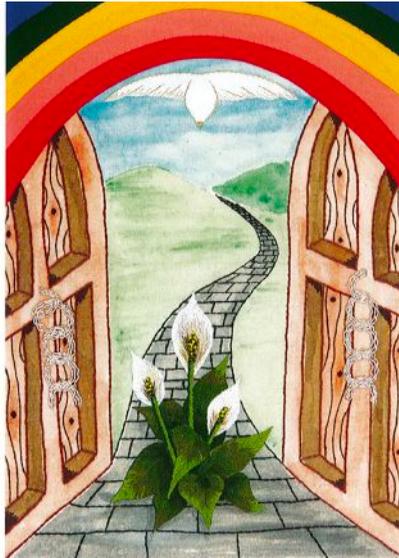
Please contact us if you have questions, Your friendly **Careful Kitchen Crew**

Donations to GWUC Welfare - February 2022

For the month of February the Welfare Committee are collecting donations of shampoo and conditioner (travel sample size are also welcome), full cream UHT milk and dried red lentils. Please leave donations in the coloured bins near the office door. Thank you for your support.

World Day of Prayer 2022

England, Wales and Northern Ireland



Friday 4 March 2022

10.30am service (10am Morning Tea)

*High Street Road Uniting Church
482 High St Rd, Mount Waverley*

Contact: Jan Clear 0419 589 175

WHAT'S ON...

MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY

10.00am	GOMER (<i>David Morgan 0423 127 807</i>)	Fellowship
10.00am	Craft Group (<i>Susan Karoly 0433 692 862</i>)	Chapel/Room 1
10.30am	Inclusive Community Committee (<i>Jan Clear 9803 6820</i>)	Room 2
8.00pm	Badminton (<i>Lynne Boyer 0408 564 443</i>)	Hall

TUESDAY 1 MARCH

10.00am	UCAF (<i>Margaret Duncan 9803 1507</i>)	Chapel/Room 1
7.30pm	Intercultural Bible Study (<i>Daniel Sihombing 0414 319 904</i>)	Zoom

WEDNESDAY 2 MARCH

7.00am	Prayer Time (www.gwuc.org.au)	Online
2.00pm	Mindful Meditation (<i>Susan Karoly 0433 692 862</i>)	Zoom
2.00pm	Bilingual English Class (<i>Sheila Chan 0412 659 386</i>)	WeChat
8.00pm	Free Spirit (<i>Deb Leigh 0411 778 417</i>)	Church

THURSDAY 3 MARCH

7.30pm	Monthly Reflection (www.gwuc.org.au)	Online
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FRIDAY 4 MARCH

9.30am	Choir of Hope (<i>Deb Leigh 0411 778 417</i>)	Church
5.30/7.00pm	Uthies/Youth (<i>Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342</i>)	Hall

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