



Glen Waverley Uniting Church

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!



Friday 29 March - Good Friday

9.30am Worship

Rev. Chris Waddell / Rev. Ian Ferguson

Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9; John 18:1 - 19:42

Sunday 31 March - Easter Day

10am Combined Worship *incl Holy Communion*

Rev. Chris Waddell / Rev. Ian Ferguson

The service will include a special celebration of Baptism

Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

Sunday 7 April - Easter 2

8am Contemplative *incl. Holy Communion*

Ross Mackinnon

10am Combined Worship (+live broadcast) *incl. Holy Communion*

Rev. Ian Ferguson / Di Paterson

Acts 4: 32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1 - 2:2; John 20: 19-31



If you are new or visiting our church, look out for the people wearing yellow flower brooches. They are part of our welcoming team, and would love to have a chat and get to know you! Also, don't forget to fill in a 'Welcome' card so that we can stay in contact.

Material Aid Offering

During the month of April, the Outreach and Social Justice Missional group will be running a Food drive for The Refugee Resource Hub and encourage your support.

The Refugee Resource Hub, powered by the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre, is a place of welcome, community and support for people seeking asylum and refugees living in Melbourne's Southeast. Located in the heart of Dandenong, the Hub brings multiple support services and organisations together under one roof to better help people with their daily and long-term needs to rebuild their lives in safety.

Giving food is the most immediate and tangible way to support people seeking asylum. Every donation makes a difference. The aim is to reduce food insecurity by providing access to sufficient nutritious and culturally appropriate food. The ASRC Foodbanks supports approximately 1200 people per month, approximately 40% of them are children.

Urgently needed items: Tuna in oil, Tomato paste, Basmati rice, Coconut cream/milk, Honey, Full cream UHT milk 1L, Instant coffee, Black tea bags, Biscuits, Tinned vegetables, Oil 750ml-1L, Dried legumes (chickpeas, split red lentils, yellow split peas), Spices (cumin, turmeric, chilli, coriander), Laundry powder/liquid 1kg pack, Unsalted dried nuts, Dried fruit.

Food drive donations can be placed in the marked coloured bin by the office door throughout April, final day for donations is Sunday May 5th.

Way of the Cross



Mount Waverley, Chadstone and Glen Waverley Inter Church Council are holding their annual Way of the Cross walk on Good Friday, 29 March 2024. The event will take place in **Holy Family Parish church** and its surroundings, at **236 Stephenson's Road,**

Mount Waverley. The FIRST and LAST stations (1 and 11) will be in Holy Family Church [and all of them if it is wet].

Please arrive by 11.30am for the opening of the Way of the Cross in the Church.

Refreshments will be held after the event. All are invited to attend this important Christian commemoration. There is no need to book.

Please see the poster near the office door for more details.

Good Friday Morning Tea

Following the 9.30am service on Good Friday, 31 March, Hot Cross Buns and a cuppa will be available. Please bring a packet of hot cross buns to share. Everyone is welcome.

Hot Cross Bun Morning Tea at The Hub - Thank You!

It was lovely to have so many people join us to support our Hot Cross Bun Morning Tea last week. The total of donations received for The Royal Children's Hospital was a wonderful \$1067-30. **Thank you!**

UCAF - 2nd April

We will meet in the Fellowship Area at 10am for a cup of tea and then resume to Room 1 for our meeting. After the business part of the meeting we will introduce the Guest Speaker, Rev. Chris Waddell and his subject is 'My Journey into Glen Waverley Uniting Church'. Hope to see you there. Visitors and New Members always welcome.

Non perishable goods may be placed in the coloured bins near the office. Enq. Margaret Duncan 9803 1507

ADULT GROUP - Friday 5 April

Our next gathering will be on Friday 5 April 2024 at 12:30pm for lunch & fellowship at the Mountain View Hotel, Glen Waverley. Please phone if you would like to attend by Thursday 4th April. Mobile: 0403350187 Bev & Lindsay Brown

Temporary Change to Worship Times

The Ministry Team has decided that until further notice the 9.15am and 11am worship services will be combined at 10am. This arrangement will be continually reassessed on the basis of Ian's health and his returning to full time work. The 10am services will include the Sunday Squad Program (excluding school holidays) and the usual rotation of 8am, 1pm and 5pm services will remain. Communion will be served during the Easter Day service and on the 1st Sunday in April. The weekly rosters have been adjusted to reflect the change in worship times. Please check the wiki and regular emails to confirm if you are rostered on.

Sunday Squad

...are on school holidays for a few weeks, and will return on Sunday 21 April. We are looking forward to seeing you again then!

Planned Giving

The Giving Recording Committee acknowledges with much gratitude the personal gifts given for the work of our church. Your financial gifts are very much appreciated, particularly during the difficult time of the past three years. Currently we have 130 active pledge contributors - 79 using Direct Giving and 51 through the envelope system.

To those who give through the Open Plate system, you may like to consider changing to either the envelopes or the Direct Giving system which allow you to make regular gifts. The Direct Giving system means no need for envelopes or cash, regular donations are assured and a reduced workload on the Finance Stewards. Please contact the Recorder, Ken Hutchinson on 9884 4002 if you would like to make a change.

Planned Giving Letters are now available from the office counter. Please check and take yours and any you can deliver. Please advise the office if any name or address details are incorrect.

Ken Hutchinson on behalf of the Giving Recording Committee

What's On...

MONDAY 1 APRIL - Church Office closed

10.00am	GOMERS	Fellowship
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

TUESDAY 2 APRIL

10.00am	UCAF	Room 1
2.00pm	Mindful Meditation	Zoom

WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL

8.00pm	Free Spirit	Church
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THURSDAY 4 APRIL

10.00am	Outreach & Social Justice C'tee	Room 2
7.30pm	Church Council	Zoom
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

MONDAY 8 APRIL

10.00am	GOMERS	Fellowship
10.00am	Craft Group	Room 1
2.00pm	Leisure Time	Fellowship
7.30pm	Property Committee	Room 1
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

TUESDAY 9 APRIL

2.00pm	Mindful Meditation	Zoom
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WEDNESDAY 10 APRIL

8.00pm	Free Spirit	Church
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THURSDAY 11 APRIL

8.00pm	Badminton	Hall
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MONDAY 15 APRIL

10.00am	GOMERS	Fellowship
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

TUESDAY 16 APRIL

10.00am	The Hub	Fellowship
10.00am	Playgroup	Room 2/3
2.00pm	Mindful Meditation	Zoom

WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL

1.00pm	Community Hub Meeting	Room 2
8.00pm	Free Spirit	Church

THURSDAY 18 APRIL

11.15am	English Conversation Class	Room 4
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

FRIDAY 19 APRIL

10.00am	Choir of Hope	Church
7.00pm	Youth Group	Hall

Works Notifications - SRL

Suburban Rail Loop Authority have advised that sections of Coleman Parade and Myrtle Street will be closed throughout 2024. Please see the notice board in the foyer for the latest Works Notification advice.

Zoom link - Mindful Meditation:

Meeting code: 901 146 0982
(passcode: 599029)

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