

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 17 November - Pentecost 26

- 8.30am Contemplative *incl. Holy Communion* *Ross Mackinnon*
10am Worship (+live broadcast) *Rev. Chris Waddell / Rev. Ian Ferguson*
5pm FEAST Screen - Short Film: Lost Sheep (*Please bring a plate of food to share*) *Rev. C. Waddell*
This week's Bible readings: 1 Samuel 1:4-20; Mark 13:1-8

Sunday 24 November - Pentecost 27

- 8.30am Contemplative *incl. Holy Communion* *Susan Karoly*
10am Worship (+live broadcast) *Rev. Ian Ferguson / Rev. Chris Waddell*
Following the service, please stay in the church for the Meeting of the Congregation.
Morning Tea will not be served today.
1pm Indonesian Fellowship *incl. Holy Communion* *Rev. Ian Ferguson*
5pm FEAST Talk: Bread *incl. Holy Communion (Please bring a plate of food to share)* *Rev. C. Waddell*



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.

Christmas Cards

Christmas Cards are **now available** from the church office. All proceeds support the work of Uniting (Share).

Delivery of Advent Postcards - Walkers Needed

We would like to promote our Advent Services by delivering postcards to houses in the area around the church. If you can help to letterbox-drop the postcards by Friday 22 November, please take a bundle of the postcards (about 200), with an instructions sheet and a delivery area map, from the office counter. We need 9 people. Your help would be much appreciated.

Empty Christmas Tree

Beginning on Sunday 24 November, our tree will be in the foyer - waiting for your donations of toys, gifts, non-perishable food. Please **DO NOT WRAP** your gifts. Our gifts are given to Lentara UnitingCare at Broadmeadows and also to some families within our local community. Last Sunday for gifts will be December 15th.



Hymn Singing

St Luke's Uniting Church, Essex Road, Mt Waverley, will be holding a **HYMN SINGING** session on Sunday, November 17th starting at 5pm. All are welcome.

For 2024 this will replace the customary Ecumenical Hymn Singing Service.

Our organist, Colleen Wood, is happy to take requests from the floor so there is no need for prior indication of hymns.

At the conclusion of the singing, about 6.30pm, a pizza meal will be provided in Hall 2, with a suggested donation of \$5 per head to cover costs. For more information please contact Jan Clear 0419 589 175.

Congregational Meeting

A meeting of the congregation on will be held on Sunday November 24th at 11:30am following 10:00am worship. An agenda is at <http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/CongMeetingAgenda20241124>. Copies are also available from the office. Please prepare for the meeting by reading the items in this week's Kingsway magazine concerning the 2025 budget and plans to reach zero emissions by 2040.



Request To the Congregation

Thank you to those who have donated foreign currency into our collection box on the office counter. We are looking at options for donating the money we are collecting to either Uniting World or UNICEF. Please continue to clear out your collection, if you are not going to use it. Please contact George Abraham 0413 431 888 if you have any queries.

November Material Aid Offering Share the Dignity: It's in the Bag

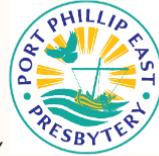
Let's ensure women who are waking up in a domestic violence refuge or homeless shelter on Christmas feel a little bit of hope and love.

Fill a new bag or a pre-loved one (in excellent condition) with life's essentials to help someone in need. All items must be new and sealed for hygiene reasons. If you haven't a suitable bag, you can still donate the essential items alone.

Essentials: shampoo & conditioner, toothbrush & toothpaste, body wash or soap, roll-on deodorant, sealed packet pads/tampons. You may like to include a few optional luxury items such as makeup, stationary, jewellery, book, socks, tissues and a handwritten note. No food, aerosols or scissors. Please place your donations in the Material Aid Bin, last day 24th November.

Ordination of Daniel Sihombing

The Ordination Service of Daniel Sihombing will be held at Caulfield Indonesian Uniting Church (158 Balaclava Road, Caulfield North) on 1 December at 2pm. All are welcome to join in the celebration of Daniel's great journey with God. For catering purpose, RSVP by 26 November via [the link here](#).



Join us for the

ORDINATION SERVICE

of Daniel Sihombing

as Minister of the Word UCA

Sunday, 1 December, At 2.00pm
Caulfield Indonesian Uniting Church
158 Balaclava Road, Caulfield North



We hope to see you there

Glen Waverley Uniting Church
youth group



Blindfold Night

Friday November 22nd
@GWUC 7:00pm-9:30pm



GWUC Youth Group is open for youth in
Year 7-Year 12 (In term 4 Grade 6 youth welcome).
For more information
Contact Chris Waddell on 0418373065
Cost \$2



This week at FEAST
Friends **E**ating **A**nd
Sharing **T**ogether
FEAST Screen

Short Film

Come watch an award
winning short film and
then talk about some of the
themes from a Christian
view



Bring a plate of food to share
Sunday 17th
November at 5pm

All Ages welcome

Glen Waverley Uniting Church
Corner Bogong Avenue & Kingsway

CHRISTMAS PHOTOS AT THE HUB

TUESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER
10AM-12PM



COME ALONG TO THE HUB AT GLEN WAVERLEY UNITING CHURCH AND BE A PART OF THE CHRISTMAS STORY!

**DRESS UP AS MARY, JOSEPH, SHEPHERDS,
WISE PEOPLE OR ANGELS AND HAVE YOUR
PHOTO TAKEN AS PART OF THE NATIVITY.**

Celebrate the real reason for Christmas –
the birth of Jesus.

Children, grandchildren, parents and
grandparents are welcome!

Photos taken on the day will be
available for collection
on Tuesday 3 December
between 10am and 12 noon.



GLEN WAVERLEY UNITING CHURCH

2024 Annual Christmas Lunch



LET'S GATHER TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE!

Sunday 1 December
12pm - 2pm

ADULTS \$16 | SENIORS \$14
CHILDREN (PRIMARY SCHOOL) \$6

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL AS SEATING IS LIMITED

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

FORMS AVAILABLE FROM OFFICE
COUNTER, OR CONTACT THE
OFFICE FOR AN EMAILED COPY!

RSVP: SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2024

Please return completed form with payment to
Warren & Judith Greenwood, Laurel & John Muir
or the church office. If paying direct to GWUC
Bank Account, please use code "Xmas Lunch"



GLEN WAVERLEY
UNITING CHURCH
CORNER BOGONG AVENUE
& KINGSWAY

CHRISTMAS Morning Tea

AT THE HUB

THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER

10am - 12pm
ALL WELCOME!

Donations welcome for needy
families in our Community

Groups of 10 or more, please call 9560 3580

Glen Waverley Uniting Church
Corner Bogong Avenue & Kingsway, Glen Waverley

Multicultural Christmas Celebration

SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER @ 11.30am

Followed by a shared meal
(Bookings for lunch essential
\$20 per person)
Please call 9560 3580
or email office@gwuc.org.au
for lunch bookings.

Didgeridoo, Korean
and Indonesian
Dance & Music,
and more...

All Welcome

and don't forget to come and see our
Christmas Exhibition
Christmas Traditions from around the World
Saturday 7 December from 2pm

Congregational Outreach Projects (COP) - donations sent this week

The Outreach and Social Justice Mission Group is very grateful to the Fete Committee and to all who contributed in so many ways to the funds raised by our Annual Fete.

We thank God that through this combined effort we have been able to send donations this week to our five COP projects. We pray that our donations will assist these organisations to make a difference for peace, hope, love and joy in this world and in the lives of the vulnerable people they serve.

We look forward to hearing more about their work in coming months.

Asylum Seeker Project, Education Support (Inclusion) Program	\$5,010.45
Choir of Hope	\$2,226.87
Kids under Cover, Scholarship Program	4,453.73
UnitingWorld, Disaster Readiness and Climate Change in Fiji	\$5,010.45
GWUC Welfare Committee	\$5,000.00
TOTAL	\$21,701.50

Advance Notice - COP 2025

We are delighted that GWUC's Congregational Outreach Project (COP) program is up and running again. Please give consideration to the work of organisations that you may wish to support with COP funds in 2025. COP 2025 Applications will open in April 2025.



5PM FEAST

"Friends Eating And Sharing Together"

A casual place to share Faith, Food and Fellowship. We will have a rotation of studies, testimonies, crafts, movies and reflections, all while sharing a meal together. We would love you to join us at 5pm each Sunday. Please bring a plate of food to share. All ages are welcome!

**This week: Feast Screen
- Short Film (Lost Sheep)**

Evangelical Lutheran Church
Central Coast Area & Inland NSW

Remembrance Service



**Tuesday 10th December
at 8pm**

Light refreshments will be served following the service

Go to www.gwuc.org.au/live to watch the live stream

*"There is a sacredness in tears.
They are not the mark of
weakness, but of power.
They speak more eloquently
than ten thousand tongues.
They are messengers of
overwhelming grief
...and unspeakable love."*

What's On...

MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER

10.00am	GOMERs	Fellowship
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER

10.00am	The Hub	Foyer
10.00am	Playgroup	Room 2/3

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER

8.00pm	Free Spirit	Church
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THURSDAY 21 NOVEMBER

11.15am	English Conversation Class	Room 4
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER

10.00am	Choir of Hope	Church
7.00pm	Youth Group - Blindfold Night	Hall

MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER

10.00am	GOMERs	Fellowship
10.00am	Craft Group	Room 1
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER

10.00am	The Hub	Foyer
10.00am	UCAF Committee	Room 4
10.00am	Nativity Photos @ The Hub	
10.00am	Playgroup	Room 2/3

WEDNESDAY 27 NOVEMBER

2.00pm	Faith Development MG	Room 1
8.00pm	Free Spirit	Church

THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER

10.00am	Outreach & Social Justice MG	Room 2
11.15am	English Conversation Class	Room 4
8.00pm	Badminton	Hall

FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER

10.00am	Choir of Hope	Church
7.00pm	Youth Group - Your So Crafty	Hall

Don't' forget to check the letter rack (near the GWUC library). There are quite a few letters - and there may be something for you?

Glen Waverley Uniting Church Christmas Services

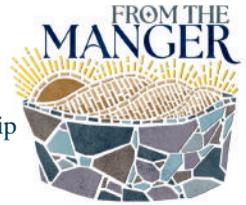
10 December - 8pm
Remembrance Service

15 December - 10am
Family Nativity Worship

22 December - 10am
Carol Service

24 December - 7pm
Family Christmas Eve Service

25 December - 8.30am & 10am
Christmas Day Services



Join us here or go to www.gwuc.org.au/live to watch online

All are Welcome

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BSB: 033 052

Account Number: 92 2198