



Glen Waverley Uniting Church

Weekly Bulletin

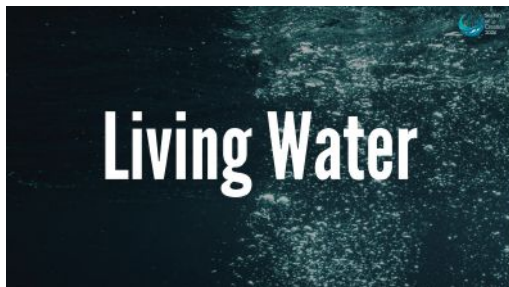
4 Oct 2026

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!



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.



WORSHIP SERVICES...

Sunday 4 October - Pentecost 19

10am Worship (+live broadcast)

including Holy Communion

Rev Chris Waddell / Rev Ian Ferguson

5.30pm FEAST please bring a plate of food to share

Rev Chris Waddell

Sunday 11 October - Pentecost 20

10am Worship (+live broadcast) including Sunday

Squad Kids & Teen Programs

Rev Ian Ferguson / Rev Chris Waddell

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**Our Future Together
Workshop**



TODAY

**SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER
AFTER WORSHIP**

WHAT'S ON ...

MONDAY 5 OCTOBER

10am	GOMERs	Fellowship
10am	Playgroup	Room 2/3
2pm	Leisure Time	Fellowship
7.30pm	Property Committee	Room 2
8pm	Badminton/Table Tennis	Hall

TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER

10am	UCAF	Room 1
10am	The Hub	Fellowship
2pm	Meditation	Zoom

WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER

8pm	Free Spirit	Church
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THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER

11.5am	English Conversation Class	Room 1
2pm	Funeral	Church/F'ship
8pm	Badminton/Table Tennis	Hall

FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER

1pm	Worship Committee	Room 1
7pm	Youth	Hall

SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER

2.15pm	Monash Chorale Concert	Church/F'ship
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View our 10am services online at

www.gwuc.org.au

ANNUAL FETE

Saturday 17 October
8.30am to 2.00pm

2 WEEKS TO GO!

**SIGN UP to be part
of the team...**



No previous experience necessary!

Lots of jobs - big and small! Put your name on the list on the table in the foyer if you can assist. We need helpers on:

Thursday: when equipment is collected and the church transformed.

Friday: when stock is sorted and displayed for sale.

Saturday: Can you spare an hour or more to staff a stall?

Saturday afternoon from 2pm: The massive cleanup needs as many people as possible! Every little bit helps!

Monday: when the last of the donated equipment is returned

Sign-up sheets are out now

*Please consider making yourself
available on these days.*

Delivery of Fete Leaflets

Thank you to those people who have offered to deliver leaflets for the fete. Please collect your leaflets from the table in the foyer. **They need to be delivered by Sunday 11 October.**

HELP STOCK OUR STALLS...

Trash & Treasure, Toys, Jewellery or Collectables Any saleable used household items, toys, or small electrical appliances in working order.

Books of all types (No encyclopaedia's please!)

Craft and Sewing

Plants from your garden We will be very happy to receive your potted plants for the plant stall.

Bake a cake or make some jam. Ingredient labels are available from Margaret Duncan.

If you would prefer not to bake, consider a "**Bake-less Cake**" donation ('recipe' envelopes available from the table in the foyer)

Silent Auction: If you have any items (goods, services or vouchers) you would like to donate for the Silent Auction, or if you have any contacts with businesses, friends or family that you think may be able to donate, please contact the church office.

\$2 boxes: Please take one (or more), fill it with goodies and return filled boxes to the specially marked box in the foyer. It will be sold for \$2, with children in particular enjoying selecting their purchase. Please note that sweets must be wrapped, and not past their use-by dates. (Please no nut products.)

Items for any stall may be delivered to the church on **Friday 16 October between 9am-7pm**

Collection of donations can be arranged. Please put your name on the list on the table in the foyer.

We are always grateful to receive your donations for the fete, but ask that they are in a sale-able condition as disposing of items not sold is very expensive.

Please note: we are unable to accept mattresses, furniture, clothing or unsaleable items.

WHERE WILL THE FETE MONEY GO?

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THESE CHARITIES



Fiji: Faith in Action

Uniting World

Supporting Fijian communities to be prepared with trauma counselling and emergency supplies.

YOUTH OUTREACH PROGRAM

Backpacks4Vickids

Crisis packs for young people who are homeless or victims of crime.



YOUTH WEEKEND GRIEF PROGRAM

Wombat's Wish

A weekend camp led by professional counsellors for young people who have experienced the death of a parent.

SWIMMING LESSONS FOR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS

Mount View Primary School

6 hrs of subsidized water safety and swimming lessons.



GWUC WELFARE

Glen Waverley Uniting Church

Practical assistance to individuals or families in our local community - food, pharmacy or education needs.

UCAF

...next meets on Tuesday 6 October with special Guest Speaker Alison Clarkson, a long time member of our congregation. We will meet in the Fellowship Area for morning tea at 10am. Visitors welcome. Goods for Welfare may be placed in the bin outside the office. Enquires to Margaret Duncan or the church office.

Treasurer's Appointment

After seven years as Treasurer, Ken Coutts has advised Church Council that he will retire once the 2026 accounts are finalised, due to ongoing health issues. We are also appointing a new external auditor, as John Yates of Yates and Partners—a former member of this congregation—is retiring.

We're seeking expressions of interest from congregation members with a financial background to take on the Treasurer role at a pivotal time, as we implement our Future Together strategies. The focus will be on steady evolution, not radical change.

We have an experienced Finance Committee, supported by clear Xero-based systems and approval processes, and a portfolio strategy that guides our investment approach. The Treasurer also sits on Church Council.

We're looking for someone with accounting and reporting experience who can bring a fresh perspective to the road ahead.

For preliminary inquiries, please contact Ken Coutts. An updated position description will be available soon.

This is an important leadership role, and we'd welcome the chance to discuss it with interested candidates.

Bible Study: What does the bible say about...?

The Bible was written long before many of the issues we wrestle with today even existed as questions – things like gender and sexuality, climate change, artificial intelligence. So rather than looking for direct answers, our Term 4 bible study series will explore how we read Scripture faithfully into issues the biblical writers never anticipated.

The topics above are examples of what we might cover. We'd love this series to reflect what's actually on your mind, so before we finalise the program, we're asking: **what contemporary issue have you been wrestling with, and would like some biblical guidance on?**

Let Ian know your suggestions by Sunday 11 October. (iferguson@gwuc.org.au, 0438 547 842)

Dates: Thursday evenings – 15/10, 22/10, 19/11, 26/11, 3/12 (the gap is deliberate – Ian is going away on holiday during it). We meet in the church (except for 15/10 before the fete when we'll meet in Ian's manse), beginning at 6:30pm with a shared meal – bring a dish to contribute if you are able to and come and join the conversation.



SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER - 2PM

Manado State University Choir

Concert - Tickets available

at the door - entry by \$20 donation.

All proceeds go to MSUC.

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. **PLANNED GIVING LETTERS and ENVELOPES FOR NEXT 12 MONTHS 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.

Fossil Fuel Treaty

Faith communities across Australia are coming together on Tuesday 6 October for a major national moment of action calling for a Fossil Fuel Treaty. Climate impacts are affecting our neighbours in the Pacific. The main cause is burning coal, oil and gas. In Melbourne, people of faith will gather at St Michael's Church in the City at 10am. Details from David Morgan or https://www.arrcc.org.au/fossil_fuel_treaty

Monash Chorale - A Starry Starry Night

a musical journey from dusk to dawn.

The concert will be held at GWUC on Saturday 10 October at 2.15pm. Adults \$35, Concession \$30, Children 12+y \$10. Includes afternoon tea.

Tickets from <https://www.trybooking.com/DOUIN>



Outback BBQ - Mt Waverley UC

All are invited to the Annual Frontier Series Outback BBQ at MWUC (37-43 Virginia St). Sunday 11 October from 11.15am to 1pm. Cost \$10. See notice board for more details.

Donations / Offering:

GWUC's Westpac

Bank Account:

Account Name:

Uniting Church Glen Waverley

BSB: 033 052

Account Number: 92 2198



SCAN HERE TO GIVE

Chinese Translation of 10am Service

A Chinese/English translation of the 10am Service is now available each Sunday.

点击此处查看今日服务的
中文翻译

Access the translation of today's
service here.



Sunday Squad & Sunday Squad Teens

Providing opportunities for children (weekly) and teens (fortnightly) during 10am worship - to explore the Christian faith through stories, questioning, craft & creativity. All are welcome.



Sunday Squad is on a break for the school holidays - see you again next term!



5.30PM FEAST

"Friends Eating And Sharing Together"

A casual place to share Faith, Food & Fellowship. Studies, testimonies, crafts, movies and reflections, all while sharing a meal together. All ages are welcome. Please bring a plate of food to share!

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