



UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA



Glen Waverley Uniting Church

6 March 2011



If you are new to our congregation, please fill in a Visitor Card so that we may have the privilege of contacting you.
Cards are available at the door, at the end of the pews, and on the 'Welcome Table' in the Foyer.

Vision Statement

GWUC is a faithful, Christ-centred community that meets God and shares that unconditional love: meet_god@anytime.with.us

Sunday 6 March 2011

Transfiguration Sunday

- 8.00 am Rev Greg Fry (Holy Communion)
- 9.30 am Rev Rosemary Carter (Holy Communion)
- 11.00 am Rev Greg Fry
- 4.30 pm 4.30 Worship & Kids Church Rev Rosemary Carter
- 7.00 pm Reflections of Kenya

Lectionary

Exodus 24: 12-18, Psalm 2 or 39
2 Peter 1: 16-21, Matthew 17: 1-9

Wednesday 9 March

Ash Wednesday

7.30 pm Service in Church

Sunday 13 March 2011

Lent 1

- 8.00 am Lois & Andrew Hosking
- 9.30 am Rev Greg Fry/Rev Rosemary Carter
- 11.00 am Rev Rosemary Carter (Baptism)
- 4.30 pm 4.30 Worship & Kids Church (Family Activity)
- 7.00 pm Worship with Rev Rosemary Carter

Lectionary

Genesis 2: 16-17, 3: 1-7, Psalm 32
Romans 5: 12-19, Matthew 4: 1-11



Today's 'Thoughtful Flowers'
are in loving memory of
Yvonne Claridge
"Always in our hearts"
Peter, Kirsty and family

Lenten Studies for 2011 - "The Divine Conspiracy"

There will be three groups involved in our Lenten Studies this year. The groups will meet the week beginning Monday 7 March. See the Community of Faith Notice board for details of days and times.

The material we are using is based on the book "The Divine Conspiracy" by Dallas Willard. Dallas, in describing the book says:

"The Divine Conspiracy calls us into a more authentic faith and offers a practical plan by which we can become Christ-like. It challenges us to step aside from the politics and pieties of contemporary Christian practice and inspires us to reject the all-too-common lukewarm faith of our times by embracing the true meaning of Christian discipleship."

Planning for HOLY WEEK and EASTER Services

The Ministry Team invites you to participate in planning for these special services in our community life.

If you are interested in developing the Theme and being involved in leading the worship, please join us at lunchtime **TODAY**, Sunday 6 March at 12.15 pm at Greg Fry's home. Please bring your own lunch. Tea, coffee, and water will be provided.

Kenya comes to the 7.00 pm Service!

Come and hear about the group's experiences whilst in Kenya. They will share stories, experiences and how it has affected them and their life back here in Australia.

Leisure Time Volunteers

Please collect your Newsletter today.

Visitors Meeting - 17 March in Room 1

Following on from personal phone invitations, you are reminded of the meeting for all Visitors on 17 March. Please note that the meeting will **now start at 7.00 pm** with coffee and slices, so that choir members are able to get to choir practice by 8.00 pm.

It is vital that as many Visitors as possible attend this meeting to share pastoral issues and discuss the way forward for the Visitation Programme.



PANCAKE DAY

Pancake Day will be on Tuesday 8 March. We will be selling pancakes at the church at lunchtime, as we did last year. We would love some helpers to cook, sell, set up etc. If you are able to help would you please put your name on the list on the office counter. Enquiries Church Office 9560 3580.

COMMUNITY HUB MEETING

A lunch and meeting for all Hub volunteers, and anyone else interested in The Hub, will be held on Sunday 27 March at 12.15 pm-1.30 pm at Greg and Judy Fry's home.

A Date for your Diary!

Special Morning Tea at the Hub to support
The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal
Thursday 7 April 10.00 am-12 noon.
More information to come!



GWUC FAMILY CAMP

GWUC will be holding a Family Camp from 8-10 April at Merricks Lodge on the Mornington Peninsula. All members of the GWUC family are invited to come. It will be a great time of fun and fellowship, so get in early as places are limited. For more details see the forms on the Office counter or phone Mark Easton 8802 8496 or Debbie Davey 0409 798 496.



DAWN SERVICE AT CRIBB POINT

Saturday 23 April at Dawn

Followed by breakfast at Greg & Judy's home at Hastings.
(Further details later)

APPOINTMENT OF ELDERS

Until Wednesday 9 March 2011 members of the Congregation may be nominated for appointment or re-appointment to the office of Elder. Nomination forms are available from the Church Office. The names of the members nominated will be announced on Sunday 13 March. Voting to endorse the candidates will be held at a Meeting of the Congregation to be held on Monday 21 March.

To be recognized as an Elder a candidate must receive the support of a majority of those members voting in a ballot. The term of office of an Elder is from one to five years as is chosen by the candidate. Please encourage those members whom you believe should be elders to nominate.

Peter Baker, Belinda Clear, Mark Easton, Gael O'Brien, Marjorie Bedford, David Jackson, Joy Jackson and Elwyn Pedersen have completed their period of office, but they are eligible for re-appointment. We are very grateful to each of them for the gifts and service to others they are giving as Elders in our Congregation.

Elders are people who show leadership in the congregation, particularly in worship, Christian education, hospitality and pastoral care.

Elders meet on the second Wednesday each month for a time of learning, to share joys and concerns, and to be updated on congregational affairs, especially what is happening with the Ministry Team, the four Missional Groups (Community of Faith, Community Hub, Community Outreach and Inclusive Community) and the Church Council. Meetings are informal and generally no longer than an hour and a half.

In our Congregation, the Elders who so desire, assist at Communion and Baptisms, welcome people to worship and lead the Prayers for Others. These tasks are not expected or required of all Elders. Each individual Elder decides how best she or he can contribute.

Elders are encouraged to support the Missional Groups in any way they can, to regard the people in any group they belong to, inside and outside the Congregation, as their pastoral concern, and from time to time to attend worship services other than the one they usually attend.

Graeme Frecker, Chairman of the Congregation

NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Everybody please note that a meeting of the Congregation will be held in the Worship Centre at 8.00 pm on Monday 21 March 2011.

UCA Regulations require that *General Meetings of the Congregation shall be held at least twice in each year, and at least once each year financial reports shall be presented, and policies, plans, budgets and appointments ... shall be determined.*

Agenda for this meeting, and minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 November 2010, will be available on the Stewards' Table in the foyer from Sunday 13 March 2011.

A written ballot for the election of elders will be an early item on the Agenda, so that the outcome of voting can be announced before the conclusion of the Meeting. *In electing Elders the Congregation shall recognise and appoint ... members ... who are endowed with gifts fitting them for the responsibilities of the office.*

Other matters to be considered by this Meeting include:

Acceptance of financial statements for 2010

Plans and proposals for 2011 from the Mission Groups

Reports from Church Council / Ministers / Elders

This first meeting of the year is important in setting goals for 2011 so please come and contribute to the discussion.

Graeme Frecker, Chair of the Congregation

After many years of dedicated service, the current 'Newsview' editors, Faye Wagon and Ken Coutts, are standing down.

Newsletter



The Communications Committee is seeking expressions of interest from people in the congregation with newsletter editing skills who would be willing to take on this task.

Please contact Lesley Armstrong on 9560 9003.

DIARY DATES 2011

(Legend: R1-Room 1, R2-Room 2, R3-Room 3, R4-Room 4,
F-Fellowship Area, C-Church, H-Hall, V-Vestry, O-Outside Venue)

Monday 7 March

- 10.00 am Playgroup R2 & 3
- 10.30 am Leisure Time R1, F & K
- 2.30 pm Leisure Time Executive R1
- 7.30 pm Lenten Studies (Fry's home)
- 7.45 pm Property Committee Meeting R1
- 7.45 pm Finance Committee Meeting R2
- 8.00 pm Meditation Group O (Contact: *Bobbie Rooks 9803 0379*)
- 8.00 pm Badminton H (Contact: *Ian McMillan 9803 1813*)
- 8.00 pm Young Adult Group O

Tuesday 8 March (Pancake Day)

- 9.00 am Social Tennis (Contact: *Eileen Scott 9800 4005*)
- 10.00 am Playgroup R2 & 3
- 10.00 am-2.00 pm Community Hub F (Roster: *Pamela McDonald, Laurel Muir, Judith Greenwood, Sue Morgan*)
- 7.30 pm Lenten Studies C
- 8.00 pm Encounter O (Contact: *Lois Hosking 9560 1981*)

Wednesday 9 March (Ash Wednesday)

- 10.00 am Playgroup R2 & 3
- 7.30 pm **Ash Wednesday Service C**
- 7.30 pm Worship Band Practice R3
- 8.00 pm Elders R1
- 8.00 pm Young Adult Group O
- 8.00 pm Free Spirit C

Thursday 10 March

- 9.45 am Ladies Fitness Class H
- 9.30 am-12.30 pm Community Hub F (Roster: *Ross & Kaye Mackinnon, John & Marjorie Snare*) **Morning Tea with Munch with a Bunch!**
- 1.30 pm Scotsglen Singers rehearsal H
- 2.00 pm Lenten Studies C
- 6.30 pm Church Council Executive R1
- 7.30 pm Band rehearsal R3
- 8.00 pm Badminton H (Contact: *Ian McMillan 9803 1813*)
- 8.00 pm Something Wonderful Choir R1 (Contacts: *Barbara Hurst 9803 9346, Elwyn Pederson 9803 1378*)

Friday 11 March

- 10.00 am Lectionary Group R2
- 11.00 am Cooe F (Contact: *Ailsa Stewart 9802 3229*)
- 7.00 pm Small Groups \$2

Saturday 12 March

- 1.00 pm Social Tennis (Contact: *Graeme Pratt 9560 7991*)
- 6.30 pm Chinese Church R1 & K

Sunday 13 March

- 9.30 am KAT Roster: *Kerryn & Pam*

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*(Legend: R1-Room 1, R2-Room 2, R3-Room 3, R4-Room 4,
F-Fellowship Area, C-Church, H-Hall, V-Vestry, O-Outside Venue)*

Monday 14 March

Labour Day Holiday - Wedding

- 7.30 pm Communications meeting R1
- 7.30 pm Lenten Studies (Fry's home)
- 8.00 pm Meditation Group O (*Contact: Bobbie Rooks 9803 0379*)
- 8.00 pm Badminton H (*Contact: Ian McMillan 9803 1813*)
- 8.00 pm Young Adult Group O

Tuesday 15 March

- 9.00 am Social Tennis (*Contact: Eileen Scott 9800 4005*)
- 10.00 am Playgroup R2 & 3
- 10.00 am-2.00 pm Community Hub F (*Roster: Pam McDonald,, Beverly McGlead,
Barbara Thompson, Ann Wardell*)
- 7.30 pm Lenten Studies C

Wednesday 16 March

- 10.00 am Playgroup R2 & 3
- 7.30 pm Worship Band Practice R3
- 7.45 pm Church Council R1
- 8.00 pm Young Adult Group O
- 8.00 pm Free Spirit O

Thursday 17 March

- 9.45 am Ladies Fitness Class H
- 10.00 am-2.00 pm Community Hub F (*Roster: Sue Morgan, Winnie McGregor
Lynne Fitzpatrick, Heather Wilkins*)
- 1.30 pm Scotsglen Singers H
- 2.00 pm Lenten Studies C
- 7.00 pm Visitation Meeting R1
- 7.30 pm Band rehearsal R3 (*Contact: Neil Skilton 9511 9868*)
- 8.00 pm Something Wonderful Choir R1 (*Contacts: Barbara Hurst 9803 9346,
Elwyn Pederson 9803 1378*)
- 8.00 pm Badminton H (*Contact: Ian McMillan 9803 1813*)

Friday 18 March

- 10.00 am Lectionary Group R2
- 11.00 am Cooee F (*Contact: Ailsa Stewart 9802 3229*)
- 7.00 pm Youth: 'Radtastic' \$2

Saturday 19 March

- 1.00 pm Social Tennis (*Contact: Graeme Pratt 9560 7991*)
- 6.30 pm Chinese Church R1 & K

Sunday 20 March

- 9.30 am KAT Roster: Judith & Kaye

It is with great sadness that we advise the death of Dot Williamson on Thursday 3 March. Funeral arrangements to be advised.

**AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL TO
PARTICIPATE IN A COMMUNITY
OUTREACH PROJECT WHICH HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE CHURCH
COUNCIL**

RED CROSS CALLING MARCH 2011

Australian Red Cross has an excellent reputation and is well known for its role in disaster relief, (for example the 2009 Bushfires, the recent floods & cyclones) blood bank and international traumas - these headline activities being funded by specific purpose donations. What is not so well known is the wide range of other services provided in Victoria - the Telecross scheme which supports people living alone, the Food Rescue program, the support for detainees, refugees, asylum seekers, the Good Start Breakfast Program for schoolchildren and the Patient Transport program to name a few of many.

These local activities are funded by the Red Cross Calling appeal, where volunteer doorknockers give some 2 or 3 hours of their time at some period during the month of March. Participants can be allocated a collection area either in their immediate neighbourhood or elsewhere in the City of Monash.

DOORKNOCKERS ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED, SO PLEASE GIVE CONSIDERATION TO VOLUNTEERING FOR AN IMPORTANT COMMUNITY SERVICE THAT REQUIRES NOTHING MORE THAN A LITTLE OF YOUR TIME ON A CONVENIENT DAY IN MARCH.

Red Cross has an excellent community reputation and congregation members who have doorknocked in past years have found it to be a pleasant and rewarding task, and many have already agreed to help again this in 2011. Talk to Graeme Frecker or other doorknockers about their experiences. To join in this outreach activity add your name to the list outside the office or contact Cliff Baker on 9802 8990.



Members of the congregation are encouraged to wear their name tags. This is a great help for Rosemary as she learns all the new faces - as it is also helpful for many of the rest of us whose memory for names weakens over the years!

Name Badge available from the Office for Jean Fullard

“Volunteers needed: Chairs for Timor”



On Saturday 12 March at 830 am we are in need of volunteers and/or trailers and/or cars to move and transport over 330 plastic chairs from the Manse at 19 Southdown to West Footscray. The chairs are a generous donation from Scotch College to Friends of Baguia, and will be used in their work to improve the lives of families living in poverty in East Timor.

Supportive Care Link Service

Please contact **Laurel Muir 9560 1518** if you are aware of people needing the support provided through our Care Link Service.



We are glad to be of service!



THE COMMUNITY HUB 2011!

Why not call in at the church on a
Tuesday or a **Thursday**
between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm
for a cuppa, a biscuit or two (or three), and a chat.
Come by yourself or bring a friend.
Everyone welcome!



DIRECT DEBIT GIVERS

As a means of efficiency and expediency the giving Recording Committee would like to forward future quarterly letters by email to Direct Debit Givers.

If you wish to receive future letters by email please advise your name and email address to any of the following Committee members:

Ian McMillan, Ken Hutchinson (kjhutchinson@optusnet.com.au), Cliff Baker, Robert O'Brien or Neville Scott.

**There are many letters, rosters and information sheets
still left in the letter rack!**

Please take yours, or deliver to someone you know!

CHOIR INFORMATION: <http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/ChoirPage> or phone 9803 9346

COMMUNITY OUTREACH GROUP

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY - 6 March 2011 - TODAY

Can you help TODAY, starting at 1.30 pm and finishing at 2.30 pm (at the Church), to clean up some local streets. Bring gloves and/or whatever you use to pick up rubbish. We supply bags. Share a cuppa afterwards in the Foyer at the Church.

FLOOD RELIEF - HORSHAM AND CHARLTON

Some of you will have received an email from me telling of some needs. the items most urgent still needed are:

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| * Tallboys | * Carpenter tools |
| * Gardening tools | * Dishwashers |
| * Linen cupboards | * Heaters (electrical) |
| * Electric frypans | * Electric blankets |
| * Steam irons | * Toasters |
| * Blankets | * Doonas |

All items need to be clean and in good operating condition.

Please advise me ASAP if you are able to offer such items, as we check with Charlton if each item is appropriate.

Also, we are planning a truck to take these items to Charlton next Saturday, 12 March. If YOU would like to donate money to assist a couple flooded out near Horsham, or people at Charlton, please include your donation in an envelope marked **FLOOD RELIEF HORSHAM UCA** or **FLOOD RELIEF DONALD UCA** or just **FLOOD RELIEF** if you're giving to both. Include it in the offering plate this Sunday or next, OR hand it in directly to our Church Office.

Our Treasurer Roger Vass has opened accounts in our "books" for these donations and a cheque for the total amount given will be sent to each Church after Sunday 13 March.

As we are a Church we cannot give you a Tax Deduction receipt.

CONGREGATION OUTREACH PROJECTS 2011

Applications are open for Projects and close on 27 March 2011. See double-sided insert in this Bulletin. For all queries contact Heather Hon 9764 9573, mobile 04127 694 150 or email cop@gwuc.org.au

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Next "Brush with Kindness Bushfire Response" activity is Saturday 19 March at Redesdale. Please advise me if you are planning to attend or would like more details.

Lyn McDonald - ph 9560 9798 or email pamlyn@alphalink.com.au

ROSTERS - 2011

BIBLE READERS

March 6	9.30 am	Yan Emms
	11.00 am	Rona Pooley
March 13	9.30 am	Jit Tan
	11.00 am	Elwyn Pederson

DOOR STEWARDS

March 6	9.30 am	Lyn & Pam McDonald, Eric & Lesley Armstrong
	11.00 am	Margaret Bald, Keith Ough
March 13	9.30 am	Josephine Sim, Betty Evans, Roger & Jenny Vass
	11.00 am	Stan & Joyce Ford

ELDERS - COMMUNION STEWARDS

March 6	8.00 am	Ian McMillan
	9.30 am	Beverly McGlead , Peter Barr, Graeme Frecker, Lois Hosking, John Kenez, Barbara Krieger, Judy Lowe, Kaye Morgan
March 13	8.00 am	Margaret Duncan

ELDERS

March 6	9.30 am
	11.00 am
March 13	9.30 am
	11.00 am

DOOR

Marjorie Bedford, Doug Newberry
Ken Devos, Shirley Harding
Sue Morgan, Jit Tan
Peter Barr, Doug Newberry

VESTRY

Jan Clear
Elwyn Pederson
Glenn Laub
Herb Fleming

FINANCE STEWARDS

March 6	9.30 am	Michael & Joanne Boldiston
	11.00 am	Robert Wood, Matt Graham
March 13	9.30 am	Neil & Fiona Leister
	11.00 am	Neil & Fiona Leister

FLOWERS

March 6	Dorothy Lloyd
March 13	Barb Thompson (Wedding)

MORNING TEA

March 6	Bill & Jill Norquay, Shanta Mohinadeen
March 13	Warren & Judith Greenwood, Thelma Nicholls

ORGANISTS

March 6	8.00 am	Roger Vass
	11.00 am	Elwyn Pederson
March 9	7.30 pm	Robert Fleming
March 13	8.00 am	Wallis Gandell
	11.00 am	Geoff Willis

WELCOME TABLE

March 6	Bobbie Rooks, Geraldine Fleming
March 13	John & Frances La Fontaine

CLEANING - 12 March (Wedding Monday 14 March)

Area 1: Don & Verity Cormack

Area 2: Chris Krahn, Michael Patterson

Area 3: Peter Anderson, Arthur Davey

Lawns: Ern Green, Jit Tan

STRATHDON EVENTS:

PANCAKE DAY - Tuesday 8 March at Strathdon Community Centre. Volunteers will be cooking fresh pancakes to raise funds for Strathdon Community which are used to support programs and projects that benefit our residents and clients.

Pancakes are \$2 with topping & ice-cream. There will be a \$2 raffle for a hamper.

8th ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION - 1 to 3 April. Artist entries close Friday 11 March.

Opening Fri 1 April, 7-9 pm with presentation of prizes at 8 pm . Entry \$15.

Sat 2 April: 11 am - 4 pm and **Sun 3 April,** 12 noon to 4 pm.
Entry \$6. Guest artist Wendi Seymour.

All proceeds go to Strathdon Community.

A copy of the Strathdon 2009/10 Annual Review is on the shelf under the



As part of the Glen Waverley and District InterChurch Council “**Cycle of Prayer - Congregations Praying Together**”, we at Glen Waverley Uniting Church lift up in prayer, Rev Paul Harper and his congregation at t Luke’s Anglican Church, Mulgrave.

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INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY REPORT.

At our February meeting, we finalised our “Munch with a Bunch” program for the year and talked about other possibilities. We were very pleased to welcome Rosemary Carter at this meeting and she gave us some good ideas.

PANCAKE DAY will be held on Tuesday 8 March this coming week. Thank you to those people who have offered to help, during the day. Please come along and enjoy a pancake (with some delicious topping) and a cup of tea and coffee. We will be selling pancakes from 11.30 am to 1.30 pm.

MORNING COFFEE. We have decided that we will have some coffee mornings on Wednesdays at Café Moretti and some on Thursdays at the Hub . Our first morning coffee at the Hub will be this coming Thursday, the 10 March at 10.30 am. Come and join us even if you haven't been to the Hub before.

Our first “Munch with a Bunch” Sunday lunch will be held at the Mulgrave Country club on Sunday 20 March at 12.30 pm. If you received an invitation and haven't replied, we need to finalise numbers by Sunday 13 March.

Our next committee meeting will be held in the outer vestry on Wednesday 9 March at 10.00 am. You are welcome to attend or give us any suggestions or ideas that you may have.

Jan Clear

COMMUNITY HUB



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE HUB?

The Hub has started for 2011. People continue to drop in for a cuppa or a chat.

The Hub has started a Prayer and Reflection Time, twice a term, on a Thursday morning at 11.00 am – 11.30 am in the church. This time includes opportunity for reflection, prayer, reading, music and lighting candles. The next Prayer and Reflection Time will be 24 March at 11.00 am.

Why not come early, or stay after, and enjoy some company, a cuppa and a biscuit at The Hub? We would love to see you.

On Thursday 7 April there will be a special morning tea at The Hub supporting The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. The Morning tea will be from 10.00 am – 12 noon. There will be fresh hot cross buns, cups of tea and freshly brewed coffee. Staff from The Body Shop at The Glen will be joining The Hub volunteers on the day.

All donations will go to The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

If you are able to come, please put your name on the list on the shelf outside the church office.

The Hub operates on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10.00 am – 2.00 pm. You are always welcome to drop in for a cuppa, a biscuit or a chat.