



UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA Glen Waverley Uniting Church

11 December 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



GWUC is a faithful, Christ-centred community that meets God and shares that unconditional love:

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Sunday 11 December

Advent Three (Hope)

8.00 am	Ross Mackinnon
9.30 am	Rev Rosemary Carter
11.00 am	Seniors Service - Holy Communion Rev Greg Fry & Alison Clarkson
12.30 pm	Church Family Lunch
4.30 pm	Belinda Clear & Rosemary Carter
7.30 pm	Lessons and Carols - Rev Greg Fry
Lectionary	Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24



Psalm 126
John 1: 6-8, 19-28

Sunday 18 December

Advent Four (Love)

8.00 am	Rev Rosemary Carter
9.30 am	Rev Greg Fry
11.00 am	Rev Rosemary Carter - Lessons and Carols
4.30 pm	Belinda Clear & Greg Fry
Lectionary	2 Samuel 7: 1-11, 16 Luke 1: 26-38, 47-55
	Psalm 89: 1-4, 19-26 Romans 16: 25-27



All Age Carols by Candlelight!

This Service will be held at Glen Waverley Uniting Church tonight at 7.30 pm, followed by supper.

All welcome!



THOUGHTFUL FLOWERS TODAY
are given by Neil, Kate, Andrew and Jackie in
treasured memory of Diane Graham.
Loved and cherished always.

Leisure Time - for isolated seniors in our community

Invitation to the whole congregation. A large group of children from Wesley Junior School will be presenting a nativity play and other entertainment to our Leisure Time guests at church on Monday 12 December 11.15 am - 12 noon. Invitations are extended to the whole congregation to come and enjoy this with us.

New volunteers needed for 2012 - Mondays. Leisure Time relies on your help and we need some extra people to help us next year. You could help once a month, once a term or occasionally. Please fill in an availability form from the office counter. Our seniors would be very grateful for your help and you will feel rewarded for your efforts.

2011 Leisure Time Volunteers - Christmas break-up reminder. Our party is on 12 December and all our volunteers are invited to the morning tea at 10.15 am and the Wesley entertainment at 11.15 am. It is a great opportunity to mingle with our guests. Hope to see you there.

Leisure Time Cookbooks. We still have some left so hurry to the office for your copy. Only \$5. Enquiries: Margaret Fraser 9803 7653

Our Empty Christmas Tree is in the Church Foyer waiting for your donations of gifts, toys and toiletries - all gratefully received. Your gifts will be given to some members of our own church family and also to Orana Family Services for distribution to families in need. All donations by 18 December.

Hotham Mission ASP has put out a special request for Christmas gifts for asylum seekers who would otherwise be unable to share in the celebrations of Christmas. Recently, Hotham has been particularly involved in finding housing for unaccompanied minors, who are mostly young men in their teens. Gifts such as store vouchers (where clothes can be bought, or sports goods, or CDs) would be especially welcomed, as would movie vouchers. These can be handed in to the office by December 11 so we have time to take them in to Hotham before the Christmas gifts are distributed. Enquiries to Robin Pope 9561 7021.

All Visitors ... If you haven't made contact with your families recently please make an effort to do so before Christmas.

WE NEED YOUR HELP:



Please see the Outreach Noticeboard for Habitat's request for immediate help to assist with completing the site work at Yea in order to obtain their Compliance Certificates.

CLEANING AND LAWN MOWING ROSTERS 2012

Church cleaning and lawn mowing is carried out each week by volunteers. Four teams of 2 people each, clean a part of the complex or mow the lawns each week, taking no more than 2 hours.

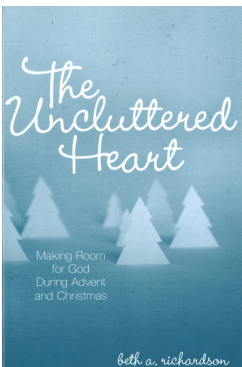
Unfortunately each year some of our long serving volunteers are finally unable to continue, leaving us short of people to fill the rosters.

If you are among the younger members of the congregation (under 70!) **please consider whether you could give a couple of hours** sometime on Friday evening or Saturday 4 times a year in 2012 to help keep our church tidy.

Please put your name on the list on the office counter if you can help. We will assume existing volunteers are available again in 2012 unless you have already advised or note otherwise on the list

Enquiries: Ross Lennon - 9802 2961

Advent Reflection



Although Advent has already begun, it is not too late to start an Advent Reflection.

We have copies of "*The Uncluttered Heart*" by Beth A. Richardson in the Church Office for \$16.95.

This study takes you each day through Advent and into the New Year with Scripture readings and reflections.

DIARY DATES 2011

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

Monday 12 December

- 10.15 am Leisure Time R1, F & K Christmas Lunch
Enq: Margaret Fraser 9803 7653
- 7.30 pm Communications Ctee R2
- 7.45 pm Finance Committee R1
- 8.00 pm Meditation Group O *Enq: Bobbie Rooks 9803 0379*
- 8.00 pm Young Adult Group O *Enq: Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342*
- 8.00 pm Badminton H Christmas Breakup Party
Enq: Ian McMillan 9803 1813

Wednesday 14 December

- 7.30 pm Worship Band R3 *Enq: Jason Mann 8802 7563*
- 8.00 pm Young Adult Group O *Enq: Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342*
- 8.00 pm Free Spirit C *Enq: Deb Leigh 0411 778 417*
- 8.00 pm Elders/ Church Council R1 & F

Thursday 15 December

- 7.30 pm Uniting Voices Choir R1 *Enq: Barbara Hurst 9803 9346*
Elwyn Pederson 9803 1378
- 8.00 pm Badminton H *Enq: Ian McMillan 9803 1813*

Friday 16 December

- 10.00 am Lectionary Group R2
- 11.00 am Coee F
- 7.00 pm Youth H *Enq: Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342*

Saturday 17 December

- 1.00 pm Social Tennis O *Enq: Graeme Pratt 9560 7991*



Playgroups in Recess

There will be no more playgroups this year. Playgroup will recommence during the second week of February 2012.

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Monday 19 December

- 8.00 pm Meditation Group O *Eng: Bobbie Rooks 9803 0379*
8.00 pm Young Adult Group O *Eng: Alanee Hearnshaw 0402 030 342*

Wednesday 21 December

- 8.00 pm Free Spirit C *Eng: Deb Leigh 0411 778 417*

Thursday 22 December

- 7.30 pm Uniting Voices Choir R1 *Eng: Barbara Hurst 9803 9346*
Elwyn Pederson 9803 1378



An Invitation for Christmas Lunch

If you will be on your own this year and would rather share Christmas Dinner with others, we would be very happy for you to join with us.

Dinner will be at 2 pm (we both have services in the morning!)

A vegetarian option will be available.

Please let Rosemary know (9560 9843) as soon as possible and no later than Tuesday 20 December.

Rosemary & David Carter

Ministry to Seniors

What are your interests? What activities would you like?

To assist with planning for 2012 please fill in a questionnaire. Copies are available on the office counter.

Enquiries: Alison Clarkson

COUNT DOWN TO KENYA...

15 Days to Go!

It's getting closer to our departure and we've been busy selling calendars and gift cards to raise funds for our projects!

How you can help:

There are still 2012 Kenya Calendars left! (\$25)

All proceeds from this calendar go to the purchase of Christmas hampers for families in the local community. Each calendar provides two hampers.



Mission in Action GIFT CARDS

Buy sporting equipment for a child (\$10), school shoes (\$15) an education pack (\$20) or a food hamper (\$25) for the kids in the Nakuru community. (EDUCATION PACKS SOLD OUT - SORRY!)

This is a lovely gift card you can give your friends and family for Christmas!



Would you like to make a direct donation
to the group's work in Kenya?

You can pay directly to the Kenya Fundraising account:

BPAY 50179

Account # 5386 3606 0002 9855

(Minimum donation of \$100 into this account. Sorry!)

or see Kat Mann or Alanee Hearnshaw.

Donations are also accepted by the GWUC Office.

If you would like to follow our adventures in Kenya,
we will be completing a daily
blog as was done last year.



Katandjasinafrica.wordpress.com

ROSTERS

Bible Readers

December 11 9.30 am Graham Lockhart
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December 18 9.30 am Barbara Thompson
11.00 am Ann Wylie

Cleaning– December 17

Area 1: Ross & Kaye Mackinnon
Area 2: Glynn Howells & Stewart Matthewson
Area 3: Russell Lang
Lawns: Bill Norquay & Andrew Hosking

Door Stewards

December 11 9.30 am Betty Evans, Margaret Walker, Fiona Leister
11.00 am Michael Patterson, Keith Ough
December 18 9.30 am Sue & Glen Laub, Bill Norquay
11.00 am Graeme Schober, Kaye Mackinnon

Elders - Communion

December 11 11.00 am Shirley Harding, Margaret Duncan, Bev Richardson

Elders

December 11 9.30 am
11.00 am
December 18 9.30 am
11.00 am

Door

Michael Patterson
Joy Jackson
Kaye Morgan
Gael O'Brien

Vestry

Alan Barnard
Beverly McGlead
Margaret Fraser
Peter Thorpe

Finance Stewards

December 11 9.30 am Deb Amos & Eric Armstrong
11.00 am Michael Patterson & Cliff Baker
December 18 9.30 am Graeme Smith & Ken Hutchinson
11.00 am Barbara Laidlaw & Blair Feenaghty

Flowers

December 11 Barbara Thompson
December 18 Margaret Frecker

Morning Tea

December 11 NO MORNING TEA - CHURCH FAMILY LUNCH
December 18 Bev & Ross Lennon, Barbara Thompson, Rewa Feenaghty

Organists

December 11 8.00 am Wallis Gandell
11.00 am Geoff Willis
December 18 8.00 am Elwyn Pederson
11.00 am Robert Fleming

Welcome Table

December 11 Laurel & John Muir
December 18 Fiona Leister & Margaret Fraser

Kids Activity Time– KAT

December 11 Kerryn Leister & Belinda Clear
December 18 Belinda Clear & Pam McDonald



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!

Please note: If you are having trouble accessing the Wiki, please type wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc into your browser. This should assist you.

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