

Werribee Uniting Church

We acknowledge the people of the Kulin alliance, the original custodians of the land which was never ceded and on which our buildings for worship stand and we gather.

28 September 2025

FETE MEETING

Meeting after church today for the fête committee before you go to OSLO, please!

Season of Creation today

The Social Justice Task Committee would like to inform the church that we are blessed to have a guest preacher from UnitingWorld to celebrate the Season of Creation. He is the Rev. Dr Apwee Ting who is the International Partnership Manager for UnitingWorld.

We invite children, youths and adults to come and listen to the message of creation according to God's plan for humanity. In order to support the ministry of UnitingWorld a **retiring offering** will be collected. Place your offering in the bowl at the entrance as you exit the church hall. (Node Madu)

Church Council report

The Council held a productive meeting last week and reports as follows.

- 1. Progress on seeking a minister is still ongoing, as the presbytery has yet to respond to our reply to their questions relating to our financial position.
- 2. The Council continues to support the development of our youth ministry with financing support to three leaders to attend a retreat held by the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania with other CALD youth leaders.
- 3. The signage at the front of the church is being altered to remove 'Crossroads' and replace it with 'Werribee', together with a new sign to be put at the front of No. 19 Duncans Road (the 'new' manse) to advertise rooms for hire.
- 4. We had an enquiry from the Wyndham Council representative looking to see if we could cater for groups who wish to hire a room once month. As we have fitted out the manse with tables and chairs, there is an opportunity for more income.
- 5. The rental of the manse at Filippin Crt will proceed once the process of cleaning and checking of appliances is completed prior to being advertised for rent.
- 6. Werribee Museum and Historical Society, as many know, has been given notice to move from their current place of operation by November 19. As they were considering other locations, they were aware that the bluestone manse at No. 21 Duncans Road was not being used, and so they made enquires to us about using the manse. Church Council has agreed for them to use the building on a 12 month hire arrangement as from October 1, 2025. Anyone wanting further information contact Geoff Gook or Ken Storey. (Ken Storey)

TODAY AND NEXT WEEK

Worship services

28 September: Social Justice Task Group 5 October: (HC) Rev. Bruce Watson

For Pastoral Care: Please contact Raymond Surujpal, convenor of the pastoral care team on: 0432 619 184

Bible readings

This week: Jeremiah 32:1–3a, 6–15 Psalm 91:1–6, 14–16 1 Timothy 6:6–19 Luke 16:19–31 **Next week:** Lamentations 1:1–6; Psalm 137; 2 Timothy 1:1–14; Luke 17:5–10

What's on this week

Wednesday: 9.30am Property Group;

1pm UCAF;

3.30pm Pastoral Care

Thursday: 9.30am Gardening Group;

5.30pm Health & Fitness; 5.45pm Choral Practice; 6.45pm Worship Committee **Friday:** 6.30pm Youth Group

Rosters 28 Sept (5 October)

Greetings: Tulua Seulupe (Judy & Hamish) **Audiovisual:** Jacob Lewis (Christian Ropeti-Kilifi)

Morning Tea: Mary Dixon & Margaret Dent

(Amelia Ropeti-Kilifi)

Music: Gina Lee (Wendy Barnes)

Prayers: Luciana & Armando (Mahonrie Aiga)

Reader: Node Madu (Sandra Savory)

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Samoan service (3rd Sunday)

3rd Sunday, 4pm, in the Church: All welcome.

Church Fête — Saturday 25 October

NOTE: There will be a meeting after the church service this morning before we head off to OSLO!

Stalls include Books (preferably children's books, novels, autobiographies, jigsaw puzzles are great... etc...but not necessarily magazines or old encyclopaedias), good Trash and Treasure, Plants, Cake stall including slices, jams and pickles, Sausage Sizzle and other Hot Foods, Handcrafts, Embroidery, Second hand Jewellery, Chocolate Toss, and maybe fairy floss to name a few.

If you have an idea or would like a table at the fete, please let any of the fete committee know.

Chocolate Toss: Donations of Chocolate blocks are needed. Now is the time to start looking for some specials at the supermarkets if you plan to donate. (Thanks, from Tracey, Margaret, Wendy, Liz, Geoff and Armando.)



These Council members complete their term this year: Lauina Levave, Node Madu, Amelia Ropeti-Kiliffi, Wendy Barnes and Ron Holman. There are also two vacancies so we need to elect seven Church Council members. Please start to think about this and consider who you wish to nominate. Those who have completed a term may be renominated if they are willing to stand again. Nomination forms will be available from 19th October. (Bev Lambie Congregation Secretary)

Working Bees

On Saturday 20th, we had 11 members turn up to clean up the grass and garden at the back of the 2 manses. A lot of hard work but we achieved our goal. Margaret Gook organised morning tea in No.19, being at the work scene, so we are getting to use other places away from the main buildings.

Many thanks to all who came and gave their time and effort, special thanks to Alan and Eric for suppling their trailers which we both filled to the top and taken to the tip.

A big thanks to Geoff Gook for arranging the working bee and organising the tasks for the workers. A great effort as the pictures tell the story. (Ken Storey)











