



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.

5 July, 2026 Pentecost 6

Matthew 11:28,

Jesus says: 'Come to me, all you who are weary And are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.' As we come to worship, Let us lay down our burdens, Let us rejoice in God's love and care. And Worship.

NAIDOC Week

Today is the start of NAIDOC week, the national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander week of celebration. For resources and information see www.naidoc.org.au July 10 is the anniversary of the Uniting Church Covenant between First and Second Peoples. See uniting.church/covenanting/ for details.

A Warm Thank You

We are grateful to conclude our third annual Blanket Drive. Thanks to our congregation and a generous donation of 30+ blankets from Kenstra, we collected 75 blankets plus funds for Uniting's winter relief work. Natalie Ward from Uniting joined us to accept these gifts, noting that last year our support helped over 70 individuals in need. Thank you to the Justice Task Group for coordinating and everyone who gave. As Galatians 6:9 reminds us: "Let us not grow weary in doing good."



TODAY AND NEXT WEEK

Worship services

5 July: Bruce Watson

12 July: Raymond Surujpal

Samoan service

3rd Sunday, 12pm, in the Church: All welcome.

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

Bible readings

This week: Genesis 24:34-38, Psalm 45:10-17, Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Next week: Genesis 25:19-34, Psalm 119:105-112, Romans 8:1-11, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

What's on this week

Tuesday: 9.30am Bible Study

Wednesday: 9.30am Property Group;

Thursday: 9.30am Gardening Group;
5.45pm Choir Practice

Rosters 5 July (12 July)

Greetings: Kur Mag (Virginia Surujpal)

Audiovisual: Noel Savory (Mahonrie Aiga)

Morning Tea: Lauina Levave (Elaine Belchere & Julie Rees)

Music: Wendy Barnes (Wendy Barnes)

Prayers: Tulua Seulupe (Node Madu)

Reader: Anemorie (Julie Rees)

Werribee UC on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/621987747878234/>

Church office

Open 9.30am to 12 noon. Phone 97411084

Email office@werribeeunitingchurch.org.au

PO Box 2156, Werribee, Vic 3030

WUC Newsletter

Please send information for inclusion to the church office by Wed on 97411084 or email office@werribeeunitingchurch.org.au

Bank Account & Boom Gate (0459#)

BSB 083-909 A/c 516109795

To book facilities at WUC:

Email: (Elizabeth Barnes)

bookings@werribeeunitingchurch.org.au

Walkin' Talkin' Amigos: Next Hike and Action

Thank You! In May, Sandra and Luciana joined a team for the Biggest Bush Walk campaign supporting the ACF, fundraising \$2,470 and walking 333km in total to protect endangered wildlife and flora.

Next Hike: Saturday, July 18th, 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM at the You Yangs (Main Car Park). Enjoy a free nature walk with guided mindfulness and purposeful conversations. Organised by the Justice Task Group and supported by Environment Victoria. Everyone is welcome! If transport is required, please talk to Armando so we can arrange pick-ups.

Take Action: Our Snow Gum Woodlands are at risk of ecological collapse- when one species disappears, the whole ecosystem loses balance. Please help us protect them by signing the federal petition to list them as endangered.

Sign Here: <https://tinyurl.com/savesnowtrees>

RSVP: Luciana on 0478 655 057 (see flyer attached) thank you.

Uploading of Service to YouTube and Facebook

We are looking for a person or persons who have the knowledge, time and would be willing to edit the recording of the service for uploading onto YouTube and Facebook. Unless someone is able to undertake this task, the uploading of services will not happen for the foreseeable future.

Instructions for the process that has been used are available, but we would also welcome suggestions of other ways it could be done.

So if anyone is interested, please speak to either Margaret Bull or myself. Thanks, Liz

Books

Marg Tolliday has left some books in the bookshelf, if you would like to read please do so and when you have finished bring them back so that others can read them or share them with others that you know.

Newsletter Articles

If in future anyone has an article that they think would be interesting or appropriate for the newsletter, please email it to the Church Office by Wednesday.

THE WALK IN NATURE EXPERIENCE AT THE YOU YANGS

LET'S WALK 'N' TALK

SATURDAY, JULY 18TH | 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
YOU YANGS (MAIN CAR PARK AT THE ENTRANCE)

Walkin'Talkin' Amigos: A Seasonal Hiking Series
On the 3rd Saturday of every second month, move your body and spark your mind. We hike side-by-side to breathe, share inspiring conversations, and renew our wellbeing in nature. Come for the walk, stay for the community!

BE PART OF THE JOURNEY! ONE STEP AT A TIME!

- ✓ THE WALK**
Guided moments through the granite peaks to clear your mind and find your focus.
- ✓ THE NATURE**
Insights into local ecology and environmental justice.
- ✓ THE TALK**
Purposeful conversation prompts and a 'Justice Jar' for actionable eco-tips.

WE PROVIDE: guided trail maps, talking prompts, and guided mindfulness.

YOU BRING: Water bottle, snacks, and sturdy walking shoes.

Snow Gum Woodlands: an icon at risk of ecological collapse

OPTIONAL DONATION: Gold coins to donate to Friends of the Earth. Sign our letter urging federal protection and help us save the Snow Gums. Link: <https://tinyurl.com/savesnowtrees>

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EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
FREE ENTRY

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