



Sunday Bulletin

Winchelsea Uniting Church
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Sunday Worship 9.30 am

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*Our Mission is: To share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all people;
showing love and enthusiasm
and by being an open and accepting congregation,
working towards life in all its fullness.*

Sunday April 17: 9.30am John Bumford

Sunday April 24: 9.30am John Bumford

Sunday May 1: 9.30am John Bumford

Annual Auction Report

Once again we will see a good result from the Auction fundraiser.

A lot of hours are required to cover the event from start to finish, and the committee would like to thank all who supported them in making it a successful few days.

The weather was reasonably kind to us, and the community support was appreciated. Thank you to members of the Men's Shed for their input in lending us a generator etc. and general support. Many hands make lighter work. Margaret Reid once again offered her full support from Friday to Sunday. If you see Margaret about, please say thank you... Thank you to Shannan McConachy who travelled from Coleraine to help in the Office, a job she enjoys each year.

*Jeanette McConachy,
Geoff Orchard (Auction Committee)*

What's On

with John Bumford

Youth Alpha Course

Wendy Gravolin has extended an open invitation for the Uniting Church people to attend the current Alpha course being run at St. Thomas's hall on Monday nights at 7.00pm for the next 9 weeks. Well worthwhile.

Inter-Church Prayer Meeting

The prayer meeting will be held in the church hall each Wednesday during **April at 1.00pm**. If you have a special prayer request, please let John know.

Singing Group Practise

Singing group practise will take place in the hall on Thursdays at 7.00pm. New members welcome.

Bible Study

A new series of Bible Studies will commence **THIS THURSDAY** at 7.30pm after singing practise. We will study the book of I Corinthians, with resources from the website <http://www.biblestudylessons.com/classbooks/epistles/1corinthians>. Some hard copies will be available this morning for those interested.

Prayer Focus

This Sunday April 17th, our prayers will be offered for Dennis Holland.

Next Sunday April 24th, the focus of our prayers will be Brian, Norma & Debbie Hollis.

On Sunday May 1st, let us pray for Sean & Jodie Hosking.

Uniting Care

Uniting Care will continue its operation each **Thursday from 10am – 1pm**. If you are aware of an emergency situation locally, let John know, and assistance can be made available. Also, there has been a request from Uniting Care for those who would like to volunteer in assisting in this project on the Thursday morning to let John know so we can include you in this ministry.

Nursing Home Service

The next worship service at the Nursing Home is on **Friday April 22nd** at 11am. We welcome church members who would like to encourage the residents helping with singing and reading as part of the worship, and talking with those who attend. Talk to John if you would like to be involved.

Church Website & Facebook Page

The church's website contains some brief information about the church, and a copy of the current church bulletin. Also check out additional information and photos on the Facebook page. Look at www.winchelseaunitingchurch.org.au

Evening Fellowship

Evening Fellowship was cancelled this week due to many girls being away. We will meet this **coming Wednesday, 20th April at 7.30pm** in the hall. Lyn Redding will share her experiences with her involvement in the Refugee Group.

DAYS FOR GIRLS – Please keep this date free -**Wednesday May 18th**

The Evening Fellowship group will be holding a fundraiser to support the appeal for this program... www.daysforgirls.org it will be in the form of a special afternoon tea and all funds raised will be presented to the representatives of this program who will be speaking on their involvement etc. In supporting teenage girls. More details next Bulletin... *Jeanette.*

First Auction Sale Held 1971

In recent times the question has been asked “How many years has the Auction been going?” Answer: 45 years.

The idea of the Auction was born in 1971 when the Winchelsea Presbyterian Church were looking to raise funds, and several of the Board of Management members attended a clearing sale in Barwon Park Road where a variety of items were offered for sale – machinery, furniture, bric-a-brac with a complete clearance of all items. So this idea was put to practice and 2016 saw the 45th Annual Auction.

The first two Auctions were held in the church paddock (now subdivided), and the furniture was auctioned in the church hall. As the event became larger John & Edna Caldow (both now decd.) offered the use of their paddock in Gosney Street where it was held for many years; then transferred to Eastern Reserve for a number of years before the present location at the Hesse Street Cricket Reserve.

In 1977 the Presbyterian Church became the Uniting Church and some members of the present congregation have been involved since the first sale.

Joan & John Caldow

Bible Verse: *Psalm 23*

The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want.

2016

Dates to Remember

2016

April

Sunday 17: 9.30am Worship - John Bumford

Monday 18: 7pm Alpha course – St.Thomas

Wednesday 20: 1pm Inter-Church Prayer Meeting - Uniting hall
: 7.30pm Evening Fellowship in hall

Thursday 21: 7pm Singing Group practise
: 7.30pm Bible Study in hall

Sunday 24: 9.30am Worship – John Bumford

---- *Rosters* ----

Morning Tea

April 17: Lyn Redding

24: Y Orchard

May 1: J Johns

Flowers

April 24: Y Orchard

May 1: J Johns

Elder

April : M Warner

May : J McConachy

Stewards:

April : J Scott, G Lelieve

May : D Chappell, R Livingstone

A Healing Prayer

Our Father who art in Heaven,
as you walk into my home,
please take away all my worries,
diseases and fears;
and please protect everyone I love,
all my family, especially my children,
other relatives, and my friends,
in the name of Jesus!
Amen.

Lectionary Readings

April 17: Psalm 23 Acts 9:36-43 Rev. 7:9-17 John 10:22-30

April 24: Psalm 148 Acts 11:1-18 Rev. 21:1-6 John 13:31-35

May 1: Psalm 67 Acts 16:9-15 Rev.21:10, 22-22:5 John 14:23-29

Anyone wishing to contact John Bumford can contact him on 52 672 062
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WHERE ARE YOU GOING! ALPHA COURSE

You're Invited

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions
that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith.
Come for a bite to eat, watch a talk and have a chat.

7pm Monday April 18th, 2016

at

St.Thomas Anglican Church Winchelsea.

Contact Rev'd Wendy Gravolin 0438 294 410 – or talk to Jeanette, Jenny or
Lyn for further details.

It was a fantastic session last week with 20 people attending and I
encourage people who have not done an Alpha course to seriously think
about joining with us as part of your Christian faith journey.

“ARISE AND SHINE’

KYB Western District Regional Rally

10am Thursday 21st April

Winchelsea Uniting Church Hall

Light lunch to follow.

All are welcome to come and hear speaker Betty Geddes, who is currently
visiting many churches in the Western District of Victoria to share her story
of her faith journey. Betty has served on the regional and national board
of KYB, taught religious education in schools and also served God in a
Healing Prayer ministry.

Further details contact Lyn Redding 52 673 162 or Jenny McKay 52 887 226.

“Arise and Shine”

ANZAC Day Service
Eastern Reserve,
Hopkins Street, Winchelsea

Monday 25th April 2016
10am

Refreshments to follow in The Hub

SAVE YOUR
Stamps
FOR
Sammy!

UCAF Stamp Fund

By sending your used stamps to Sammy Stamp
you help raise money for special needs projects.

These are projects in Victoria, Australia and the world,
worthy of assistance but not covered by other Uniting Church funding.

**Leave your used stamps in the box provided
at the entrance of the church..... thank you.**