



Geebung Wavell Heights Uniting Church

14th June 2026

Our Mission Statement

“Sharing the love of Jesus together
in welcoming all people into the
fellowship of the church as well as
ministering to the community”

Pastoral Letter from Rev. Amos Manoharan

Friends

Grace and peace!

We thank our **Afternoon Adult Fellowship** for organising the entertainment provided by Geoverdi Musica. We thank one and all who did their best to make this programme enjoyable and successful.

I would like to remind you about the celebration of “**The Uniting Church Anniversary**” which falls on **22 June**. **But we will celebrate it on Sunday, 21 June, in our Church.** We rejoice with the Church Union and it is also a time to rededicate ourselves to continue our call and commission.

The Gospel Reading today is about the compassion of Jesus. *“When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep with out the shepherd. (Matthew 9:36)*

Then Jesus sends out the twelve disciples and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. (Mt 10:1)

The compassion of Jesus is the central theme in the Gospels, demonstrating his deep love and care for the humanity and his desire to alleviate suffering.

Jesus calls his followers to live with compassion to the people in need.

We love the following Hymn (TiS 690) and let it be our prayer and action

“Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair,
Lord, in the suffering, this is our prayer.
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace,
sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase.

*God of the poor, friend of the weak,
give us compassion we pray; melt our cold hearts,
let tears fall like rain.*

Come and change our love from a spark to a flame.

Graham Kendrick

Shalom

Amos Manoharan

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For your Diary

Weekly Activities -

Tuesday *Indoor Bowls @ 1:30pm Wavell*

Sunday *Worship Service 9am*

See below for locations

Special Events & Services —June

Sunday June 14th *Combined 9am Service
@ Wavell Led by Mr Peter Jenkins*

Sunday June 21st *Combined Service 9am
@ Geebung Led by Rev Peter Clark*

Sunday June 28th *Combined 9am Service
@ Wavell The Final Service
led by Rev Dr Amos during His interim
ministry*

Special Events & Services —July

Saturday July 4th *Magical Melodies 2pm
@ Geebung*

Sunday July 5th *Combined Service 9am
@ Geebung*

Sunday July 12th *Combined 9am Service
@ Wavell*

Sunday July 19th *Combined Service 9am
@ Geebung*

Tuesday July 21st *Church Council Meeting
@ Wavell @6:30pm*

Sunday July 26th *Combined 9am Service
@ Wavell*

Verse of the week:

Should I wander off like a lost
sheep—seek me!

I'll recognize the sound of
your voice. Psalm 119:176

(Message Bible)

For your attention



We feel very sad to pass on
the news of the passing of
dear **Neville Bryans**.

We have so appreciated his
loyalty and care to us here at
Geebung Wavell for over 40
years.

Our hearts ache for beautiful
Joy at this incredibly difficult time of
adjusting to this grief and loss. We pray for
comfort for Joy and all their family & friends.

Neville's funeral service will be held
Thursday 18 June 11am at Pinnaroo Lawn
Cemetery & Crematorium Chapel at
Albany Creek. It will also be streamed
online for those unable to attend.



**Magical
Musical
Melodies
presents**



**TAKE ME BACK
TO HOLLYWOOD!**



COST: \$20.00 Includes afternoon tea

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

DATE: Saturday 4th July 2026

VENUE: GEEBUNG U.C. HALL

(59 Simla Avenue, Geebung QLD 4034)

Tickets sales at the door. Call 3266 9211 for more details



Your support in any way with the
catering, and by coming along if
you're free, would be appreciated!

The People Who Need Our Prayers

Tony Marson

Sylvia Marson

Ann Bain

Edna Street

Norma Jenkins

Lian Tan

Maree Massey

Bert Wilton

Margaret Ferris

Marica Halliday

Marj & Bruce McKenzie Ray Langdon

Malcolm & Judy McMillian

Sylvia Bray



Reflection Refugee Week *by Rev David Busch*

The second verse of our national anthem always catches in my throat when I sing, “For those who’ve come across the seas we’ve boundless plains to share ...” As Australians, there is much that gives cause both for pride and, sadly, for shame in our development as a multicultural nation. Issues about immigration, cultural diversity, refugees and asylum seekers have been emotive and contentious throughout our political and social history. It has been a space of debate, policy and outcomes where we have seen the best and the worst of our shared life – principle, courage, vision, compassion and generosity, as well as scapegoating, resentment, suspicion, prejudice and cruelty.



Contemporary political currents provide a challenging context for commemorating Refugee Week 2026 which starts this Sunday, with World Refugee Day on June 20. Yet its theme of “One million stories” invites positivity, celebrating our nation’s considerable achievements in refugee response. In the past year, Australia welcomed its one millionth refugee since World War 2. In that time, refugees have contributed substantially to our economic, cultural, religious, sporting and civic life. Some have risen to the top of their field – among them Catholic bishop Vincent Nguyen, science broadcaster Karl Kruszelnicki, comedian and author Anh Do, sport icon Les Murray, tennis champion Jelena Dokic, and two-time Archibald Prize winner Judy Cassab. Indeed, Refugee Week itself, now a global observance, was an Australian initiative, begun 40 years ago by Major-General Paul Cullen, founding president of both the Refugee Council of Australia and Austcare (Australians Care for Refugees).

Yet the need grows ever larger. Today there are more refugees and internally displaced people than at any point since World War II. At the end of June 2025, over 117 million people – one in 70 of the world’s population – were categorised as forcibly displaced.

Developing nations host 69% of the world’s refugees, with the four largest camps being in Bangladesh, Kenya and Sudan and housing over 2.5 million. Global resettlement opportunities from such camps are extremely limited, with only a small number of countries offering formal programs. Some nations have recently suspended their intakes. Australia’s annual Refugee and Humanitarian Program intake remains at 20,000 places, with careful screening of applicants and management of community integration and resettlement supports.

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Notes from today's message

From the Centre Page

Reflection—Refugee Week Continued - From Uniting Church News 9th June

As Christians, we cannot allow statistics, politics and rhetoric to blind us from seeing that refugees and asylum seekers are people like us. We cannot help them all, but we must do what we can. That includes praying and working for peace and protection for all people in all countries. And when refugees come into our communities, or on to our shores seeking asylum, we cannot turn away. As the Hebrew people head to their own land having fled slavery in Egypt, God commands they treat the sojourners and foreigners among them with justice and kindness, even to “love them as yourself”, because they know what it was to be vulnerable and exploited as aliens in Egypt (e.g., Leviticus 19:33-34). Moses, David, even baby Jesus, fled for their lives to other countries. Jesus identifies himself as the stranger whom we either did or did not welcome (Matthew 25:31-46).


May we find ways to embody God's steadfast love to those who need our protection and care – and hear and celebrate stories of refugees now settled in Australia.

by Rev David Busch

<i>June 14</i>	<i>June 21</i>	<i>June 28</i>	<i>July 5</i>
Pentecost 3	Pentecost 4	Pentecost 5	Pentecost 6
Gn18:1-15 or Ex19:2-8	Gen 21: 8-21	Gen 22: 1-14	Gen 24: 34-38
Ps 116:1-2, 12-19.	Ps 86: 1-10,16-17	Ps 13 or 89:1-4, 15-18	Ps 45: 10-17
Rom 5: 1-8	Rom 6: 1b-11,16-18	Rom 6: 12-23	Rom 7:15-25a
Mt 9: 35—10: 8	Mt 10: 24-39	Mt 10: 40-42	Mt 11: 16-19, 25-30


GEEBUNG

Alternating
59 Simla Ave
Sunday Worship 9.00am
Holy Communion 1st Sun.

 Visit us at:
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WAVELL HEIGHTS

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147 Rode Road
Sunday Worship 9.00am
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