

Stained Glass Window at Corio Geelong Grammar School All Saints' Anglican Chapel



Geelong Grammar His
Banner Over Me

Location

Biddlecombe Avenue, Corio, GREATER GEELONG CITY

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Heritage Study/Consultant	Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn Hughes, 2013;
Architect/Designer	Waller, Christian,
Hermes Number	196747
Property Number	

Memorial Window References & Acknowledgements

James Affleck, *Geelong Grammarians at World War Two*, The Old Geelong Grammarians Incorporated, Corio, 2002, p.90; *The Corian*, May 1941; *Argus*, 12 May 1941, p.4.

Memorial Window Subject

Banner of Love

Memorial Window Text

His Banner over me was Love 'Deo Favente'

Memorial Window Inscription

Captain Stewart Irvine Weir A.A.M.C. A.I.F. Killed in Action Greece 19th April 1941

Memorial Window Description & History

Christian Waller designed and made two windows for the baptistry at All Saints' Chapel, Geelong Grammar School, although only one was a tribute to a soldier. Made some time in 1950, it showed Waller's mature style that used sweeping diagonals to give great dynamic impetus to the design. Glass was selected as if it was paint, using colours and tones to achieve her desired results. The Latin text can be translated as 'with God's favour'. The window was unveiled by Bishop John McKie on 13 March 1950. The design for the window is held in the Geelong Art Gallery collection.

Captain Weir was born on 11 June 1906 in Deniliquin, NSW and enlisted at South Melbourne. He was a student at Trinity College, the University of Melbourne, where he graduated MB BS in 1931 and is remembered on the Roll of Honour, Trinity College Chapel. After periods at Resident Medical Officer at the Royal Melbourne and Royal Children's Hospitals he continued his studies in Edinburgh, achieving FRCS in 1936. In practice with his father in Terang and married to Margaret with a young daughter named Slona, he enlisted at the outbreak of war and served in Palestine, Egypt, Libya and Greece. He was a Captain in the 2/2nd Field Ambulance and Regimental Medical Officer in the 6 Divisional Engineers in Greece when, already severely wounded in the bombing raid on Brallos Pass on 19 April 1941, he continued attending to the wounded until his own death. He was buried close by but later re-interred in Phaleron War Cemetery, Athens.

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