

Vision Statement:

We see a Jesus-orientated church having a passion for the Gospel and compassion for the world expressed through dynamic worship, love in action, the empowering of the servant leaders and the growing of disciples.

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I am available in the event of emergencies at any time, but other than that would appreciate not receiving calls on Wednesdays, where possible, as this is my day off.

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This Week's Roster

20th October, 2019

Preacher: **Bishop Michael Musale**
Leader (am): **Jonathan**
Leader (pm): **Jonathan**
Welcome: **Richardt**
Duty Elder: **Ray**
Reader: **Julia**
Musicians: **Brunetta & the Boys**
Stewards: **Neil & Sheila**
Manager: **Neil**
Crèche: **Chris H.**
Kidz Connect: **Tina**
Morning Tea: **Eileen, Michelle & Ray**
Audio: **Jim**
Visual: **Alan**
Cleaning: **Chris & Ray**

Next Week's Roster

27th October, 2019

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Neil**
Leader (pm): **Jonathan**
Welcome: **John**
Duty Elder: **Ray**
Reader: **Kay**
Musician: **Pat**
Stewards: **Myra & Ray**
Manager: **Neil**
Crèche: **Katherine**
Kidz Connect: **Tina**
Morning Tea: **Chris DeB. & Coral**
Audio: **Jim**
Visual: **Alan**
Cleaning: *********

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Keeping in touch with the G.G.U.C. family

<http://goldengroveuniting.org.au>

Sunday, 20th October, 2019

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

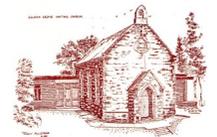
Preacher: **Bishop Michael Musale** Theme: **What is God saying to the Church in the West**

Gospel Reading: **Luke 18: 1-8**

Mission Statement: To draw people

to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church



Truth Is Public

Quite often people say something like, "What I believe is true for me; I don't impose it on others." Or, "What I believe is just between God and me; I don't talk about it to other people." Or, "What others in the church may believe or say doesn't affect me; I believe what I believe." Behind these ways of thinking is the idea that there is no connection between what we personally believe, and what we publicly say and do - i.e. that our Christian faith can just be a private matter.

But the Christian Gospel is a truth that strives, boils and seethes to reach every member of the human race, and draw them into unity in itself. God called Israel to be a "light to *the nations*" (Is 42:6). Jesus Christ called us to go to *all people*, striving in faith to bring them to obedience to the truth of the Gospel as His disciples (Mt 28:18-20). This is part of the great joy of God's good news; *God wants to bless all the families of the earth!* (Gen 12:3; 22:18).

There is an essential connection between what we personally, privately believe, and what we publicly say and do. Bearing in mind that, as a part of a Christian denomination (like the UCA), to some extent we actually support and endorse what that denomination says and does. We always need to strive for integrity between our personal faith, and what we say and do before all people.

The Christian message is public truth.

Grace in Christ, Jonathan

A Message from the Elders

In our congregation, pastoral care happens both informally in an unstructured and everyday, loving manner and formally through a structured pastoral care network, consisting of care providers and members enjoying care.

Our congregation is blessed to have so many who provide mutual care and support in an unofficial capacity. This might be as simple as just saying G'Day to someone or going out of your way to help them in a bind.

If you would like to find out who is your official carer in our structured system, please refer to the pastoral care list available on the noticeboard in the church hall. Alternatively, if you would like to become more involved in providing pastoral care to your fellow congregation members, please speak to one of our elders.

Our church elders are: Jonathan, Andrew, Cath, David, Ray and Richardt.

FUN NIGHT AT THE CHURCH NEXT SATURDAY

Make sure that you are there. Arrive by 6.15 pm for a 6.30 pm start.

Fish and chips supper, followed by yummy dessert. \$6.00 only.

Entertainment, too! I have it on good authority that an overseas artist of stage and radio will be appearing.

Don't miss out on this event.

Add your name to the list in the hall at the conclusion of the service.

Church Council Election

Sunday, 24th November

Nomination forms are available.

Nominations close at 12.00 noon on 27th October.

Dates for our Vernal Diaries

- A FUN Raising Night: Saturday, 26th October: 6.15 pm
- Samaritan's Purse Boxes Final Deadline: Sunday, 27th October
- Close of Council Nominations: Sunday, 27th October: 12.00 noon
- Working Bee: Saturday, 2nd November: 8.00 am
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 4th November: 2.00 pm
- Women's Fellowship: Thursday, 7th November: 1.00 pm
- Elders Pastoral Care Meeting: Tuesday, 12th November: 7.00 pm
- Day of Prayer: Thursday, 14th November: 8.00 am to 6.00 pm
- The Dinner Table: Thursday, 14th November: 6.00 pm
- M&WW Sausage Sizzle: Sunday, 17th November: After Worship
- Church Council Election: Sunday, 24th November: After Worship

Retiring Offering

As announced last Sunday, there will be an opportunity to place a retiring offering in the bowl at the front door of the church after today's service.



Thank you so much for your generosity.

Bishop Michael Musale



Christ Victory Gospel Ministries was founded in 1998 by Bishop Michael Musale (pictured with his wife Emily) and others with a view to evangelising and equipping Christians to transform lives in our communities by sharing God's Word, God's Love and God's Wisdom. The Ministry's Headquarters is located in Turbo Town, Kenya, and has five local church branches in Western Kenya.

Its mission is to: evangelise and plant churches; to disciple Christians and equip them for the work of the Ministry; to set up Christian schools and provide free premium education and food to vulnerable children; to provide clean and safe water; to provide health care services by setting up medical centres and conducting free medical camps; to conduct wealth creation programmes in order to alleviate poverty levels in our communities.