

### 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

27th September, 2020

Preacher: **Jonathan**  
Leader (am): **Jonathan**  
Leader (pm): **\*\*\*\*\***  
Welcome: **Marshal**  
Duty Elder: **Council**  
Reader: **Barbara**  
Musician: **Pat**  
Stewards: **Council**  
Manager: **Council**  
Crèche: **Vacation**  
Kidz Connect: **Vacation**  
Morning Tea: **\*\*\*\*\***  
Audio Desk: **Ruan (am) & Rykhardt (pm)**  
Camera Operator: **Tim**  
Computer: **Ralph (am) & James (pm)**  
Overflow Overseer: **Rykhardt**  
Cleaning: **Council**

#### Next Week's Roster

4th October, 2020

Preacher: **Ceri**  
Leader (am): **Cath**  
Leader (pm): **\*\*\*\*\***  
Welcome: **Marshal**  
Duty Elder: **Council**  
Reader: **Barrie**  
Musician: **Heather**  
Stewards: **Council**  
Manager: **Council**  
Crèche: **Vacation**  
Kidz Connect: **Vacation**  
Morning Tea: **\*\*\*\*\***  
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### Have you considered E-giving?

Envelopes with an "E" on the front, prayer requests or thanks can be placed in the offering bags on a Sunday morning.

Our bank details are as follows:

BSB 805-007 Account Number: 00702729 Credit Union SA

Please speak to Chris Holroyd if you require more information.

## Golden Grove Gazette

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

[www.goldengroveuniting.org.au](http://www.goldengroveuniting.org.au)

Sunday, 27th September, 2020

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Preacher: **Jonathan**

Theme: **TBA**

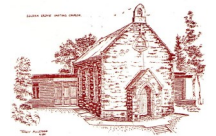
Scripture Reading: **TBA**



Mission Statement: To draw people

to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church



### Forgettery

Struggling to remember the date of an important event, Eric apologised, saying, "My memory is not too good these days,... but I do have an excellent forgettery!" Many of us, I'm sure, could closely identify with Eric!

Ps 78 says that the Ephraimites (the northern tribes of Israel – kind of like a denomination of the Christian Church) "*forgot what [God] had done.*" (v11). It is referring to God's great, miraculous acts of grace and mercy toward them, forgiving their sins, making them His dearly loved children, and blessing them in so many ways.

The result was that they "refused to walk according to [God's] law" (v10). *They forgot that they owed God everything, and so, they went their own way rather than His.* The consequence of this was that they died spiritually (which is worse than mere physical death!).

They did this *in spite of the fact that they were members of God's people.* As a denomination, a congregation, or as individual believers, *we can do the same thing.* In fact we are all prone to it. We need the Gospel to constantly speak to us God's miraculous grace and mercy in Jesus Christ, *so that we remember,* and are called and commanded again to faith, obedience and joy in Him.

*Grace and cheers, Jonathan*

### A Message from the Elders

Galatians 5:22-23 lists the nine Fruits of the Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-control. These past few weeks we've taken a closer look at each one and examined how the Holy Spirit grows these kinds of fruit in our lives.

In John 15:1-17 we are reminded that on our own we are unable to produce these virtues and are only able to do so by remaining attached to the True Grapevine: Jesus Christ. The same passage tells us how to facilitate the process by remaining within God's love (verses 9 and 10), through making the conscious choice to obey His commands. Verse 16 highlights another important point: we did not choose God; He chose us to go away and produce lasting fruit.

The Fruits of the Spirit are therefore evidence of a growing personal relationship between God and each of us, through actions by God's Spirit and by an enduring commitment on our end to love and obey Him.

In your prayer time this week read, think and pray about the words from 1 John:1-5 to 1 John:2-11. Pray that all who have stumbled and are blinded by the darkness, find their way back to the Light.

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



### Change to Women's Fellowship

Please meet at Garden Grove for 12.30 pm. Have you advised Eileen that you will be attending? The change of venue is necessary because of the school holidays. Thank you, Eileen.



### DATES FOR OUR SPRING DIARIES

- Sunday Morning Worship: 27th September: 10.00 am
- Sunday Evening Café Church: 27th September: 6.00 pm
- Women's Fellowship at Garden Grove: Thursday, 1st October: 12.30 pm
- Commencement of Daylight Saving: Sunday, 4th October
- Sunday Morning Worship: 4th October: 10.00 am
- Labour Day Public Holiday: Monday, 5th October
- Sunday Morning Worship: 11th October: 10.00 am
- Sunday Evening Café Church: 11th October: 6.00 pm
- Commencement of Term IV: Monday, 12th October
- Holy Communion: Sunday, 18th October

### Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes Reminder

As October rushes towards us, it seems timely to remind those generous persons, who have promised to fill shoeboxes, that Coral will be expecting to collect them by the middle of October. Thank you so much to those who are helping to make Christmas a happier time for needy children.



### Ode to Social Distancing

Lest this thing worsen,  
Let's agree to be separated  
by the length of a tall person.  
No touch.  
We'll communicate via  
voice and eyes and heart.  
Stick together -  
six feet apart.

(James Parker)

## Jonathan on Leave



Jonathan will be on leave during the next two weeks. Kathryn and he will be navigating the River Murray during this time. They have made a titanic effort to ensure that their abortive trip, from earlier in the pandemic, will actually take place this time. We wish them and the crew of their houseboat (pictured) "God speed". May the current be with you

## Coping with the Pandemic

Is it not great to be back in the sanctuary, where we are able to raise the 154 years old roof with our singing? However, the strict guidelines about social distancing and the use of hand sanitisers still prevail. And, please remember to sign both on and off.

Sign in Register – Golden Grove Uniting Church

I, the undersigned declare that:

- I have not returned from international or interstate travel in the last 14 days.
- I have not been exposed to a person with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
- I am not currently required to self-isolate for any other reason.
- I am well, and not displaying any symptoms of COVID-19.
- I will practise good hand hygiene and utilise the hand washing and sanitiser facilities made available for this purpose.
- I will follow all reasonable steps requested by the Golden Grove Uniting Church to ensure the health and safety of all other personnel and visitors.
- Visitors' Phone Numbers are required.

DATE :

NAME:	TIME IN:	TIME OUT:	PHONE NUMBER:

Even though we may be fed up with this spelling error (see right), which seems to have proliferated throughout the metropolitan area, please continue the practice of practising social distancing, as we live in Australia, where we use English, not American, spelling.



**THANK YOU FOR PRACTICING**



## 2020 CHRISTMAS WORKSHOPS IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Come with us as we take the

### CHRISTMAS STORY INTO PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Our inter-church multi-generational team under Schools Ministry TTG

will go into TTG state primary schools daily from

**Monday Nov 23rd to Friday Dec 4th**

If you would like to be part of this impacting opportunity

please contact Maxine Mostert on 0402 325 999 or maxine@mosterts.net

Training is Tues 10th Nov 7.30 - 9pm

at Tea Tree Gully Uniting Church Milne Rd, Banksia Park